

ST. AMBROSE'S PARISH.**KIDDERMINSTER.****The Rectory, Birmingham Road, Kidderminster, Worcestershire, DY10 2BY. (01562 822839)****Incorporating SACRED HEART & OUR LADY, Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells****Parish Clergy: Revd. Fr. Douglas Lamb, Revd. Adam Nicholls, Revd. Charles Duncombe.****Pastoral & Secretarial Assistant Joseph Moran Office Hours Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays 9 am – 2 pm Thursdays 2 30 pm – 7 30 pm****Parish e-mail: stambrosekidderminster@btinternet.com****Parish website: www.stambrosekidderminster.org.uk****Safeguarding Representatives: Jo Walker 01562 910446 Peter Harler 01562 746563****This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216****The Third Sunday of Eastertide****Year: C****Week Commencing: May 5th 2019**

Psalter Week: 3. CTS Sunday Missal: p.470. Preface IV of Easter p.563. Eucharistic Prayer : III p.611. Mystery of Faith : II

Response to the Psalm: *I will praise You, Lord, You have rescued me.*Gospel Acclamation: *Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as You talk to us.***Feast Days this Week:** W. Blessed John Sullivan**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:****St Ambrose's**

Mon: 9 a.m. Intentions of Arthur & Eleanor Ford

Tues: 8.30 a.m. George Watkins (RIP)

Wed: 9.15 a.m. Eric Garrington (RIP)

Thurs: 11.30 a.m. Joe McLaughlin (RIP) 7:30 p.m. Adoration & 8:30 pm. Compline.

Fri: Adoration 9.30 a.m. Mass at 10:30 am. John Stubbins (RIP) & intentions of Christine Stubbins

Sat: 9 a.m. Peter Mason (RIP) followed by Rosary & Novena Devotions.

Sun: 11 a.m. Richard Tovey (RIP) 6 p.m. Catherine Nicholls (RIP)

Sacred Heart

Sun: 9 a.m. The People of the Parish.

CONFESSIONS:

St Ambrose's : Saturday's 11.45 a.m. – 12.45 p.m. and by request.

Sacred Heart : by request.

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Altar Servers for morning Mass: J. Kuruvilla & E. Martin

St Ambrose's:

Sun 11 a.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: T. Hart, D. Holdstock, M. Holmes, A. Hunt, P. Hunt

Readers: M. Roy, C. Villa

Sun 6 p.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: N. Doherty, D. Duncombe

Readers: F. Robinsion, L. Farmer

Sacred Heart:

Sun 9 a.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: S. Coates, J. Moore

Readers: A. Stanley

Church Cleaners: Team: B

Offertory Counters: Group: 1

Teas & Coffees: Craft Club.

Please pray for our parishioners, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially:

Janet Richards, Arwen Lockley, Maureen Connolly, Harold Salter, Jackie Sands, Jim Thomas, Olena Barchuk, Derek Cooper, Nora Collins, Matteo Butera, Rosemarie Smith, Emilia Gissyng, Joseph Kantorek, Fr. Edward Sopala, Richard Bolton, Julie White, Fr. Graham Wilkinson, Laura Reynolds, Alane Harvey, Fr. Bruce Dutson, and Lilia Beecroft.

Necrology: Monday, May 6th is the anniversary of the death in 1921 of Fr. Patrick Boyle (Priest here 1903 – 1907). Tuesday, May 7th marks the anniversary of the death in 1972 of Sr. Cathaldus Cooney, Headmistress of St. Ambrose's 1937 – 1965)

Lately Dead: We pray for MIKE KNOWLES who died in Worcester Hospital on Monday afternoon, after some months of seriously distressing illness. His family were with him. The Funeral Service of YVONNE NORRIS is in Stourbridge Crematorium on Tuesday morning. The Funeral Mass for PATRICIA WATERS will be in St. Ambrose's on Monday, May 20th. At her request, the Mass will be offered in the Tridentine Rite, and she will be buried in Larches Road, alongside her husband Eddie (who was also a teacher in our school), Mr. Waters died some years ago.

First Holy Communion: The next meeting of children, catechists, teachers, parents and clergy will be in the School on Wednesday at 6:30 pm.

Songs of Sanctuary: This Sunday afternoon at 3 pm. in St. Anne's, Bewdley. A free concert in aid of homeless charities for which there will be a retiring collection. Music by Bach, Brahms, Stanford and others.

May Procession: The Procession in honour of Our Lady will take place on Sunday, May 19th, beginning in Church at 4 pm. Bridget Power has kindly consented to crown the statue on behalf of the whole Parish, and the ladies of the UCM have offered to provide tea at the end of the ceremony. Please let us try to make this a real act of devotion and witness to our love for Our Lady, and an acknowledgement of our need for her intercession. The School May Procession is on Monday, May 20th and parishioners are warmly invited to take part.

Craft Club: next meet on May 7th in the Borrromeo Hall 7.30 p.m. – 9.30 p.m.

Maintenance Fund: A raffle will be held on Sunday, May 12th in the Parish Hall after the 11 o' clock Mass. All proceeds towards the Maintenance Fund. Please come and support this worthy cause.

Union of Catholic Mothers: Please note that the UCM will meet on Monday May 13th at 7:30 p.m. for a full business meeting. On the following Monday, May 20th at 7:30 p.m. there will be the Wolverhampton Section Deceased Members Mass at which ladies from around the Section will be attending and prayers will be said for those members who have died during the past twelve months. The Mass will be followed by a shared Supper, tombola & raffle in the Adams Lounge.

The UCM Easter Egg Raffle raised £128.00 for our project for 2019, which will be divided between a church in Uganda and St. Ambrose's School. 1st prize was won by Teresa Hart. 2nd by Mike Taylor, 3rd by Margaret Strangward, 4th Margaret Tillot and 5th by Jess from the Toddlers group. Many thanks for your support.

Curry Lunch: Sunday, May 19th 12.30 p.m. in St Ambrose's Parish Hall. £5 per lunch. List at the back of the Church. Please specify either chicken or veg option. All proceeds/ to the Maintenance Fund.

Maintenance Fund; Coming Soon: May – Weekend Raffles. June – Jumble/Nearly New Sale. Time to sort our wardrobes and drawers. All proceeds to St. Ambrose's Maintenance Fund. Please support this worthy cause.

March for Life: Saturday, 11th May! March for Life UK is happening in London. Join thousands of other pro-lifers in creating awareness of the hurt and damage abortion causes and helping to promote a culture of life. Inside festival (LifeFest19) 9.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m., booking required. March starts at 2.00 p.m. (no booking required). For more info. See posters/leaflets or go to marchforlife.co.uk or call 07773501721/07885505116.

Church Cleaning: The new rota for church cleaning at St. Ambrose's is now available at the back of the church.

Parish Finances :

- i. Thank you for the Offertory of £1,040,21. (Plate: £773.21, Envelope: £267.00)
- ii. A donation of £250 was made by the Church Maintenance Fund.
- iii. The retiring collection raised £228.35
- iv. A donation of £250 from the Craft Club is gratefully received.
- v. A big 'thank you' to all APF Red Box holders. Total for 2018 was £3106,08. Notice at the back of the church, also there are empty boxes available, please do take one.
- vi. Tuesday evening Bingo raised another £100 for Kemp Hospice, that's £200 total this year. Well done.

St. Ambrose's Parish Hall Facilities

Borrromeo Hall/Adams Lounge : Available for functions of all kinds; parties, receptions, etc. Please contact Joel Douglas on 07513 295817 or bookings.stambrose@gmail.com

Bingo : Every Tuesday 8.00 p.m.

Whist : Every Wednesday 2.00 p.m. Learners most welcome.

Please come along and support the Parish Centre.