

ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

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SACRED HEART & OUR LADY Berrington Road Tenbury Wells

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The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No: 234216

Fourth Sunday in Eastertide (VOCATIONS SUNDAY)

Year C

Week Commencing: May 12th 2019

Psalter Week: 4 CTS Sunday Missal: p.475 Preface: V of Easter p.563 Eucharistic Prayer: II Mystery of Faith: II

Response to the Psalm: *We are His people, the sheep of His flock.*

Gospel Acclamation: *I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me.*

Feast Days this week: Tues: St Mathias, Apostle.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

St Ambrose's

Mon: 8.30 am Mona, Bill & Mary Ford RIP

Tues: 8.30 am Richard Tovey RIP

Wed: 9.15 am Revd Peter Mason RIP

Thurs: 7.30 am Catherine Nicholls RIP 7.30 pm Adoration 8.30 pm Compline

Fri: 9.30 am Adoration 10.30 am (Mass) Intentions of Jean Bullock

Sat: 9.00 am George Watkins RIP 1 pm Marriage: KRISTOPHER BABBA – GAETANA MAFFEI

Sun: 11.00 am Deceased of Peers family 4 pm MAY PROCESSION 6.00 pm Frank Burke (Anniv)

Sacred Heart

Sun: 9.00 am The People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS: St Ambrose's: Saturday: 11.45 am – 12.45 pm and by request ; Sacred Heart by request

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Altar Servers for morning Mass: G Brosentto, A O'Reilly

St Ambrose's: Sun. 11.00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: M Kantorek, M Martin, A Mc Dermott, M Roy, C Vass
Readers: M Holmes, G Hodgkinson

Sun. 6.00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: L Farmer, R Fox
Readers: D Duncombe, P Collins

Sacred Heart: Sun. 9.00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: E O'Neill, M Peyton
Reader: C Stanley

Church Cleaners: Team C Offertory Counters: Group 2 Teas and Coffees: G, M & I Cunliffe

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and 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, Rev. Fr Edward Sopala, Julie White, Fr Graham Wilkinson, Laura Reynolds, Alane Harvey, Fr Bruce Dutton, Lilia Beecroft and Tom Hopkins.

Baptisms: This afternoon, the Revd Adam Nicholls will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism with the families of VINCENZO BIANCO and MILO PENGELLY-MOORE. Let us pray that they will feel welcome in our Parish Community.

Marriage Our prayers and good wishes are with SERENA RAMNIAL and MICHAEL SPARK at whose wedding yesterday the Revd Charles Duncombe officiated. May they have a long and blessed married life together. Next Saturday, GAETANA MAFFEI and KRISTOPHER BABBER will be joined in Holy Matrimony. May God bless them in the years ahead.

Velma Rose: Please pray for Velma Rose, the Mother of Fr Julian Booth. She died on Good Friday after a terrible illness. Fr Julian is a good friend of mine and I hope to attend his Mother's funeral Mass tomorrow at St Giles Church in Cheadle.

Surplus bar stock: Some slightly out of date stock from the Bar is available after Mass today. Parishioners are welcome to take whatever they wish, at no charge. Tonic water, lemonade, J20, ginger ale, Pepsi cola etc all available.

Kidderminster Deanery: The Clergy of the Deanery will meet on Tuesday at St Mary's, Harvington for the Annual Day of Recollection. It will be led by Fr Brian Boyle SCJ and Fr Jason Mahoney and will focus on varied experiences of pastoral priesthood.

CAFOD Leaflets: Are available at the back of our Churches, giving details of how to support CAFOD in memory of someone who has died. It is called the CANDLELIGHT FUND.

200 Club: following the draw by the altar servers, the winners for April are: 1st no 85 £75 K Andrews; 2nd no 197 £50 C Morris; 3rd no 204 £25 E Villa. The next draw will be on Sunday 26th May.

Union of Catholic Mothers: meets on Monday at 7.30 pm in the Borromeo Hall. On Monday 20th May, we are hosting the Wolverhampton Section Deceased Members Mass at 7.30 pm followed by a shared supper, tombola and raffle in the Adams Lounge. All most welcome.

Bible Study: Wednesday 15th May 2 pm for a 2.30 pm start at 34 Aggborough Crescent, Kidderminster (741794). We will be discussing the readings for the Mass of 5th Sunday of Easter Year C. New members welcome.

Ambrosian Group: Members of the Group and their friends meet for their monthly lunch from 12 noon on Thursday 16th May in St Ambrose's Parish Hall. Everyone welcome.

Quiz Night: will be held in the Parish Hall on May 17th at 7.30 pm. To ensure the remaining bar stocks aren't wasted, all beers will be £1 per pint. Do come along.

Curry Lunch: Sunday May 19th 12.30 pm in St Ambrose's Parish Hall. £5 per lunch. List at the back of 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 out wardrobes and drawers. All proceeds to St Ambrose's Maintenance Fund. Please support this worthy cause.

CMS: Next planning meeting will be held on Wednesday May 22nd. All men of the Parish are welcome to attend. The CMS branch fundraiser will be on Saturday June 15th in the Parish Hall; music by J-D-R 7.30 to 10.30 pm. Everyone welcome.

Request for help: There is a private birthday party to be held in the Borromeo Hall on Saturday 1st June. The organiser is looking for someone to man a barbecue in the beer garden from 2.30 pm to about 5.30 pm; this will involve setting up the equipment, getting the fire going and cooking the food. A small financial incentive has been offered. If you can and would like to assist please contact Joel Douglas on 07513 295817 or through bookings.stambrose@gmail.com and he will inform the organiser.

50s/60s Night Thanks: The night was a great success. Thanks to Ray Barber and his group, J-D-R, who generously provided irresistible music for the very happy gathering. Now everyone wants them! Thanks also to Joel and the team and to raffle prize donors. We raised £260 which will be gratefully received by Light of Maasai for Ciara's further education. She is a most delightful and extraordinary child, once abandoned and now totally cherished by Elaine Bannon. See www.lightofmaasai.com.

SVP: The next meeting will be on Monday June 3rd at 7.15 pm in the Adams Lounge. Everyone welcome. Please consider joining us so that we may continue to help the poor.

Foodbank: Many thanks for continued donations to the Foodbank. Please note only tinned or dry packaged food please; or toiletries. Fresh or frozen food is not suitable.

Marriage Week: Apparently, this is Marriage Week and we are asked to draw attention to Marriage Enrichment: 1) Marriage Encounter (www.wvme.org.uk) 29 – 30th June (non residential) St Mary's on the Hill Wednesbury. Contact Phil & Rita Jackson 0121 244 7762 wackojacko456@hotmail.com. 2) Loving for Life (www.loving4life.co.uk) 22nd - 23rd June Manor Farmhouse Castlethorpe Milton Keynes Bucks MK19 7EL. Contact Jane Deegan 07595 724300 jane@loving4life.net. Support for Marriages Facing Difficulty: Retrouvaille UK (www.retrouvaille.org.uk) 7th - 9th June Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire. Contact Clive & Kathy Jones 07887 296983/07973 380443 info@retrouvaille.org.uk.

Parish Finances: Thank you for the Offertory of £844.73 (Plate £492.96 Envelope £351.77)

Parish Hall Facilities

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

Bingo: Every Tuesday 8.00 pm.

Whist: Every Wednesday 2.00 pm. Learners most welcome.

Please come along and support the Parish Centre.