## ST. AMBROSE'S CHURCH KIDDERMINSTER & SACRED HEART CHURCH TENBURY WELLS

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Acclamation II.





## The SEVENTH SUNDAY of YEAR C ONE BODY. ONE SPIRIT. IN CHRIST.

Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025 Psalter Week: III Preface of Sunday V. Eucharistic Prayer III.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

**MONDAY** Feria.

February 24<sup>th</sup> 8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Intentions of the Richardson family followed by Pro-Life Rosary.

**TUESDAY** 

Feria.

February 25<sup>th</sup>

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Annie Gilmartin RIP

WEDNESDAY Feria.

February 26<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am. Mass with the Office of Morning Prayer (Int. of Ann Harris)

II am. St Paul's Convent, Selly Park, Funeral Mass: Sr. Paula Costello RIP

**THURSDAY** 

February 27<sup>th</sup> 8:50 am. (Winterfold House School) Jim Sheridan (Anniv.)

II:30 am. Conleth Kealey RIP

7:30 pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament concluded with The Office of Compline at 8:30 pm.

**FRIDAY** 

Memorial of St. Oswald; 10<sup>th</sup> century Bishop of Worcester.

February 28th

8:55 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9:15 am. Private Intention (in gratitude)

**SATURDAY** 

Feast of St. David; Monk & Bishop, Patron of Wales

March 1st

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Barry O' Regan RIP followed by Rosary & Novena devotions

SUNDAY NEXT will be the EIGHTH SUNDAY of YEAR C

March 2<sup>nd</sup>

8:15 am. (Tenbury Wells) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9 am. (Tenbury Wells) The Holy Souls

II am. Angelo Vaccaro RIP 6 pm. The People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS: Saturday from 11:45 am. to 12:45 pm., and at any other time, by request. TEAS & COFFEES after 11 am Mass in the Adams Lounge next Sunday: CMS & A. Maffei

11 am. T. Hart ADDITIONAL MINISTERS: 6 pm. N/A 11 am. F Smardz **READERS:** 6 pm. N/A

**CLEANING TEAM:** C

TENBURY: Additional minister: B. Peissel Reader: J. Hughes

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES: Of your charity pray for the repose of the souls of Fr. George Brewster, priest here 1935-37; who died February 27<sup>th</sup> 1990; and for Fr. George Tarrant, priest here 1960-61, who died February 27<sup>th</sup> 2004. May they rest in peace.

PRAYING for the DEAD: We continue to pray for KATHLEEN HARRIS and MARIA CHOLOWA whose Funeral dates were announced in previous weeks. Please pray also for SISTER PAULA COSTELLO, of St. Paul's Convent, Vernon Road, who died last week-end. She was a great help and encouragement to Fr. Lamb in his early days as an Advocate and Judge on the Diocesan Tribunal.

UCM: The next meeting of the Union of Catholic Mothers will be on Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup> in the Adams Lounge starting at 7:30 pm. All women are welcome.

KNIT & NATTER: meet on Tuesday in the Borromeo Hall from 2 - 4 pm. We meet on the first and third Tuesday of the month. Everyone is very welcome to join us. Just drop in and relax over a cup of tea and a chat.

WELCOME: This afternoon I have been invited to welcome REVD. JAQUELINE SHALLOE on behalf of the Christian Churches in the town. She is to be licensed as Team Vicar at St. Chad's, Comberton, by the Bishop of Dudley. Please pray that she has a fruitful ministry in Kidderminster.

SOUP & PUDDING LUNCH: Today after II am. Mass in the Borromeo Hall.

CHURCH DECORATION: Thanks to the several volunteers who have worked so diligently in recent weeks. There is still some 'ladder' work to be done but other tasks like cleaning brasses, carefully cleaning the stained glass, some low level painting could well be tackled during a mornings work. Please volunteer even an hour or two, to give support and encouragement to the main team, and to enable the work to be completed sooner.

PARISH GROUPS: We are fortunate to have so many groups in our parish, offering opportunities to participate in Parish life. Some are purely social, others offer spiritual support and growth in Faith. There are those who give service to others. Sadly, some of our groups do not seem to be particularly attractive to the majority of our parishioners. It may be that we should renew and revitalise what we are doing. To help us to consider what may be necessary there is to be a meeting in the Adams Lounge on Tuesday at 7 pm.; most groups have been invited but ALL parishioners are welcome to attend.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: will begin with an informative event at St Joseph and St. Helen's Church Hall on Sunday 2nd March at 3pm. It will be followed by 40 days of Prayer Vigil from 8am - 8pm outside that Church during Lent. We are all called to be involved in the protection of life from conception to natural death and you are invited to be a prayer partner at the vigil or to commit to personal prayer. For further information please contact M. Roy 07796671074 or P. Young 07866806660.

WORLD BOOK DAY – A message from Miss Brewer - at *St Ambrose Catholic Primary School* on *Thursday 6th March*. We would like to invite parishioners into school for a cup of tea and a biscuit at 10.15am. Our School Reading Ambassadors would love to read some of their favourite stories to you.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025 will take place on Friday 7th March 2025 at 10.30am Kidderminster Elim Church and at 6pm Franche Community Church. The ecumenical Service is written by the women of the Cook Islands and the theme is "I made you wonderful". It is a very beautiful and timely focus on the sanctity of life, created by God, and should be supported by everyone concerned by the rising tide of destruction of life by personal choice. Please see the Posters in Church and the Borromeo Hall for further information. Madeleine Roy madeleinetom@aol.com

ST AMBROSE AND ST WULSTAN'S COMMUNITY EVENT: Where: St Ambrose Catholic Primary School. When - Friday 10th March 2025. Time: 3 - 6pm. We want to help our local families and community by offering a Spring Community Cafe. There will be free refreshments, a bouncy castle and ice-cream van (chargeable), mental health professionals, local community support, health specialists, youth workers and our safer neighbourhood team. All families are welcome to attend.

LENT at ST. AMBROSE'S: The programme is now confirmed as follows:

MARCH II<sup>th</sup> – MATTERS of FAITH: led by Gail Brown of Harvington and the Revd. Christopher Henson, Vicar of Romsley. MARXH 18<sup>th</sup> – THE ORTHODOX TRADITION: introduced by Father Nenad, Priest at the Serbian Orthodox Church in Bournville, accompanied by Cantors.

MARCH 25<sup>th</sup> – MUSIC in my LIFE: An evening with Jerry Price, Head of Music at Winterfold House School, who has established a very high standard of performance, almost second to none.

APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> – THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Fr. Philip Griffin, Parish Priest of Our Lady and All Saints, Stourbridge, will lead a workshop in this sacrament to help us prepare for Easter.

APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup> – MAGGIE WOLLOSHIN: of our Tenbury Wells community will speak of the spirituality of Lourdes, her work with MOTHER TERESA, her support of a victim of clergy abuse, and accompanying the last weeks of the life of a much loved family member.

IRISH CHARITY CONCERT in aid of Kemp Hospice and Brain Tumour Research In St Ambrose Parish Hall, Birmingham Road, Kidderminster, DY102BY. On Sat 15th March 2024 7.30pm – 11.00pm A celebration of Irish music, song and dance. There will be a Raffle during the evening for a range of exciting prizes! Teas, coffee, sandwiches, rolls available to purchase! Admission Adults £10.00 Children under 16 £5.00 Bring your own drinks! Tickets available from Charlie Villa 07759629938, Sinead Maffei 07980846301 and Mary Preston 07513 295817.

FINANNCES: Offertory £246.57 (Envelope) £145. (Total: 391.57)

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and all who have need of our prayers, especially: Joyce Berry, Trina Cole, Clare Conway, Olive Cooke, Alan Cunningham, Michael Dunne, Fr. Bruce Dutson, Madonna Endeley, Mary Fieldsend, Emilia Gissyng, Margaret Grimley, Lola Hartland, Kathleen Hegarty, Annie Holcroft, Margaret Holmes, Christine Hopkins Boban Joseph, George William Kawooya, Shirley Keogh, Joan Kinsella, Pam Lay, Francesca Lloyd, Arwen Lockley, Alycia Matthews, Sharon Matthews, Sheila Mikulicz, James McCarthy, John Nangle, Brigid Nestor, William Nixon, Bridget Power, Veronica Pugh, Amanda Rattigan, Sarah Rejman-Greene, Fr. Tony Rohan, Jackie Sands, Helen Simoneau, Anthea Speers, Lawrence Speers, Liz Steadman, Ray Stride, Joyce Taylor, Jim Thomas, Margaret Tillott, Jill Tombs, Christopher Tovey, Frances Tovey, Lynn Tovey, Lyndon Whatley, Fran Oborski, Gareth Whatley, Michael Williams, Catherine Malcolmson-Priest, Ethel Thomas, Ren Edward Evans, Ian Page, Jan Richards, Leo Kealey.

WEEK-END MASSES IN SURROUNDING PARISHES:

Ludlow: Sat 6 pm./Sun 11 am. Cleobury Mortimer: Sun 9 am. Stourport: Sat 5:30 pm./Sun 10 am. Stourbridge: Sat 5 pm./ Sun 8:30 am & 11 am. Harvington: Sun 8:30 am. & 10:30 am. Droitwich Spa: Sun 8:30 am. & 6 pm. Bromsgrove: Sat 6 pm. / Sun. 8:30 am & 10:30 am.