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GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS : A reminder that gluten-free hosts are ministered and received in St Joseph's Chapel.

RECENTLY DECEASED : **John Martin Mahoney** died recently while on holiday in Spain. He was 69 years of age. His body has been cremated in Spain and when his ashes have been returned to Kidderminster there will be a Requiem Mass at St Ambrose's.

THANKS (Jean Villa) : Dear St Ambrose parishioners, please accept my grateful thanks for all the cards, telephone calls and most importantly the Mass cards and the prayers that I have received since my diagnosis. My family and I have been overwhelmed and humbled by your kindness.

COFFEES/TEAS will be provided after 11.00 a.m. Mass today by the Parent and Toddler Group/Craft Group and next Sunday by the Children's Liturgy Group/Pre-School Group.

CAFOD : If any parishioner is willing to represent our Parish at the CAFOD Climate Change Campaign meeting tomorrow in St George's, Worcester at 10.30 a.m. please notify the Parish Priest as soon as possible.

THE UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS will meet on Monday at 7.30 p.m. in the Borromeo Hall. New members will be most welcome.

KIDDERMINSTER DEANERY : The Clergy of the Kidderminster Deanery will meet on Tuesday for Mass at St Peter's, Bromsgrove at 11.15 a.m. to remember and pray for the deceased priests and deacons of the Kidderminster Deanery.

CONFIRMATION : The next meeting for Candidates, Parents and Catechists in preparation for the forthcoming Sacrament of Confirmation will be in the School Hall on Wednesday at 6.30 p.m.

CATHOLIC MEN'S SOCIETY : The annual Mass for deceased Brothers of the Society will be in St Ambrose's on Wednesday evening at 7.30 p.m.

MASS FOR DECEASED PARISHIONERS : The annual Mass for deceased parishioners is on Friday November 14th at 7.30 p.m. The names of those who have died during the past year will be read aloud during the Intercessions, and the names will be listed and placed in the Memorial Book in St Joseph's Chapel. Refreshments will be available in the Adams Lounge after Mass.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER : We will be hosting a regional Preparation Day for the first time in Kidderminster, and would urge you to support this ecumenical event. It will be held at the Salvation Army, Jerusalem Walk, on Friday, 14th November, from 10.30 am – 2.30 pm. A programme is on the noticeboard, and it would be good if St Ambrose's was well represented. The Service originates from the Bahamas and unites people of peace and justice throughout the world in prayer. For further information contact M Roy (01562) 822189.

HAGLEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL : Friday, 14th November in School Main Hall. Horse and Pig Film Races, with a curry and rice supper. Tickets £4 per adult, £2.50 under 16 or Family Ticket (two adults and three children) £12. Tea, coffee, soft drinks and bar available, or bring your own. Tickets available by email or 'phone from peteharrington@blueyonder.co.uk or (01384) 392651. Please order online and pay on arrival on the night (important for food numbers). The proceeds will go towards the £2,000 needed for new computers.

KIDDERMINSTER VALENTINES CONCERT : The Choir will perform in St Wulstan's Church, Stourport next Friday at 7.30 p.m. in aid of the Holy Family Extension Appeal. Please see notice boards for details.

KARAOKE : A Karaoke Night with songs for all the family has been arranged in the Adams Lounge next Saturday from 7.30 p.m. until late. Further details on the notice board.

CMS ANNUAL DINNER : Borromeo Hall, Saturday, 15th November. Contact Ray Barber 07982 571880 or (01562) 630740 to reserve your place/select menu.

AUSTERITY LUNCH : The next Austerity Lunch in support of Christian Aid will be at Foley Park Methodist Church next Sunday from 12.30 p.m.

ROADPEACE SERVICE : The Annual Roadpeace Service will take place on Sunday, 16th November at 3.00 pm in St Ambrose's. This Service remembers all who have died in road traffic accidents, and offers hope and consolation to bereaved families.

HOLY HOUR : There will be a Holy Hour to celebrate the Feast of Christ the King on Sunday, 23rd November at 3.00 pm at St Wulstan's, Stourport. The Service will be conducted by Fr Chris Greaney and all parishioners from St Ambrose's are cordially invited.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND : At the Beeches Hotel, Bournville, 28th – 30th November. This is an enrichment weekend, open to all married couples. Please see details on the notice board.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB will visit The Plough at Far Forest on Wednesday, 3rd December at 12.30 p.m. A Seniors two course meal £7.95. All are welcome. Contact Joyce Gavan or Marie Hesketh K.748474.

PARISH BAZAAR – SUNDAY 7th DECEMBER : Only four weeks until the Bazaar. Please let us have donations for stalls, which include :-

Books, toys, bric-a-brac, CD's, bottles, home produce and groceries, gifts (for tombola). These items may be left at the back of the Church, or if you need them to be collected 'phone Gill Pardoe (0758503490).

FINANCES :

- i. Last week a Collection at Tenbury raised £133.10 which has been sent to the Disasters Emergency Committee for the Ebola Crisis.
- ii. The Mite Scheme : Thank you, kind parishioners, for £32.30 towards this small but vital charity. All Mite Scheme money goes to UNICEF who spend it all on re-hydration sachets. These are needed urgently in refugee camps and disaster areas, where weakened people are dying from minor illnesses that occur so easily where water is dirty and there are no toilets. Any donations of 5p and any other coins may be left at the Rectory. THANK YOU!
- iii. Thank you for last week's Offertory of £969.22. (Loose Plate £573.62. Envelope Scheme £395.60).
- iv. £72.41 has been contributed further to the CAFOD Harvest Fast Day.
- v. We thank the Whist Club, which meets in the Borromeo Hall every Wednesday at 2.00 p.m., for a further donation of £100.

BORROMELO HALL/ADAMS LOUNGE : Available for functions of all kinds: parties, receptions, etc. Please contact Mary Preston (07513 295817) or Adams Lounge (07742 730680).

EVERY FRIDAY : Folk Music in the Adams Lounge with visiting musicians/singers and instrumentalists. Free admission, 8.00pm – late.