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CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY Year B

Psalter Week 2

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Week commencing June 7th 2015

Response to the Psalm: The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.

Gospel acclamation: I am the living bread which has come down from Heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever.

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Mystery of Faith II

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Tues: St Columba; Thurs: S Barnabas; Fri: The Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Sat: The Immaculate Heart of Mary and St Anthony of Padua

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose's

Mon: 8.30 am Peter Aston RIP
Tues: 8.30 am Tom Ashcroft RIP
Wed: 9.15 am Ivor Mortiboy RIP
11.30 am Funeral: TERENCE MORRIS RIP
Thurs: 11.30 am Charles Donaghy RIP
7.30 pm Adoration until 9 pm (Compline 8.45 pm)
Fri: 9.30 – 10.15 am Adoration
10.30 am Intentions of Michael & Margaret Holmes
1.15 pm Funeral: MARGARET BREESE RIP
Sat: 12 Noon FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (Intentions of Mary Canning)
Sun: 11.00 am Norah & Claude Aston RIP
6.00 pm Jackie Peck RIP

Sacred Heart

Fri: 7.00 pm Alan Bullock RIP
Sun: 9.00 am The People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS

St Ambrose's: Thursday 7.30 – 8.30 pm; Saturday: 11.45 am – 12.45 pm and by request
Sacred Heart: By request

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Altar Servers for morning Mass: Owen Neale, Connor Vessey

Eucharistic Ministers

St Ambrose's Sun. 11.00 am E Fox, B Galvin, C Geraghty, A Harris T Hart D Holdstock

Readers

M Parker, M Moran

Sun. 6.00 pm T Webb, L Whatley, H Bearne, P Bowdler, M Bowdler

M Hesketh, B Gavan

Sacred Heart Sun. 9.00 am A Speers, A Stanley

J Moore

Church Cleaners: Team D

Offertory Counters: Group 5

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Fr Paul Chavasse, Fr Peter Jones, Ann Aylott, Joan Aylott, Albert and Elsie Barr, Joan Battye, Peggy Baynton, Lilia Beecroft, Christina Bickley, Frank Bourke, Linda Button, Rupert Caple, Nigel Collier, Helena Collins, Nora Collins, David Connolly, Rob Conway, Julie Cook, Elsie Corti, Rob Cotgrave, Jane Cox, Paul Crowley, Eamonn Dalton, Sarah Dalziel, Joni Dunlea, Sr Maureen Fay, Anthony Georgieff, Frances Graves, Diane Grovenor, Robert Hale, Shirley Hale, May Hampsey, Margaret Harley, Mary Harris, Vicki Houghton, Cindy Jones, Tom Jones, Jan Joyce, John Joyce, Audrey Little, Bridget Locke, Arwen Lockley, Margaret McKeever, Joe McLaughlin, Peter McQuillan, Gaetana Maffei, Michael Maffei, Marjorie Male, Petronilla Marcianti, Lee Maund, Margaret Metcalf, Sheila Mikulicz, Jeannie Morrison, Philip Motteram, Kitty Murray, Andrew Neale, Delia Nepi, Kate Nicholls, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Billie O'Keeffe, Beatrice 'Myrtle' O'Mahoney, Jean O'Shaughnessy, Katherine O'Sullivan, Daniel Oxenham, Joyce Parker, Jo Peters, Chris Price, Janet Richards, Harold Salter, Jackie Sands, Rita Simmonds, Jonathan Slater, Cecil Smith, Marie Stokes, Colette Stride, Edward Sutton, Tony Taylor, Jim Thomas, Vera Toman, Frances Tovey, Jean Villa, Patricia Virr, George Watkins, Ann Webb, Edith Wilkes, Jake Wolfenden and Anne Youde.

Alan Bullock RIP: Jean Bullock thanks everyone for the prayers and Masses at the time of Alan's death. A Mass is to be offered for the intentions of all.

Ada Steward: wishes to thank the Parish Priest, Father Lamb, Rita and all who very generously contributed to my wonderful 90th birthday party on Thursday 28th May. Thank you to all who worked very hard to put on that wonderful spread. Thank you, my dear sisters and their children for taking time out to share my special day. Thank you to all the parishioners of St Ambrose's Parish for their good wishes for this special landmark. I extend my good wishes to you all and will forever remember this day with sincere gratitude. Thanks a million'.

Light of Maasai: Once again, St Ambrose's school and Parish have raised the 200 euros (£141) required for our 4 children in Kenya. Your love and generosity is so appreciated. Raffle prizes have been delivered.

Baptism: Please pray for SCARLETT CHESTERMAN and her family. She is to be baptised this afternoon by the Revd Adam Nicholls.

Rest in Peace: Please pray for two of our parishioners who have died recently. Terence Morris, of Birchen Coppice, died suddenly at home on May 28th at the age of 64 years. His body will be brought into Church on Tuesday at 5.30 pm and his Funeral Mass is at 11.30 am on Wednesday. Margaret Breese died in Brookdale Nursing Home on May 28th. She was over eighty years of age and her body will be cremated next Friday following Mass at 1.15 pm in St Ambrose's. May they rest in peace.

Recorded Music at Church Services: Twelve years ago it was decided that recorded music would no longer be used at Funerals, Weddings and other events in Church, except to support the singing at School Masses and productions. Recently, in an exceptional circumstance, approval was given for a single item to be played, but not in the context of the Funeral Mass. This has, unfortunately, caused offence to other families who, understandably, believe that any decisions of this kind should apply to everyone. I regret the distress caused by this recent approval. In the interests of equitableness, the decision not to use recorded music is now re-stated, and there can be no exceptions to this. Recorded music, with the approval of the Parish Priest, and at his discretion, may be used at the Reception of the Body to the Church on the night before a Funeral, and at any social gathering afterwards according to the wishes of the family.

Teas and Coffees: will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 11 am Mass today by the Parent & Toddler group and the Craft group and next Sunday by the Children's Liturgy group and the Pre-school group. There will be a **cake sale** during coffees after 11 am Mass today in the Borromeo Hall.

Fr Denis O'Connor: We are glad to welcome Fr Denis O'Connor who has, once again, agreed to offer our Mass this evening.

First Holy Communion: Over twenty children will be receiving Holy Communion for the first time during Mass next Saturday at 12 noon. Please pray for them and for their families. The final meeting for the children, their parents, catechists and teachers will be in the School Hall on Wednesday at 6.30 pm and a rehearsal in School will follow. There will be an opportunity for Confessions to be heard (in preparation for this special day) during the period of Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday 7.30 to 8.30 pm.

Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: The Mass for the Patronal Solemnity of our Church in Tenbury is on Friday at 7 pm. The Principal Celebrant and preacher is Bishop Robert Byrne. A reception will follow at Currall Hall.

Events in the Adams Lounge: Karaoke Night: Saturday 13th June 7.30 pm till late. A huge catalogue of songs available. Budding pop stars very welcome. **Mo-Town night:** Saturday 27th June. Songs from this great era with plenty of room to dance. **Youth Social Night:** For 11-15 years old every Thursday night starting 25th June 7 – 9 pm Darts, Playstation, music, soft drinks and snacks. Free pool available for an introductory period. Come and chill out with your friends and enjoy yourselves. Free admission!

Coming soon! Scrabble night and book club. Please show your interest in these events by emailing stambroseclub@hotmail.co.uk or pop into the Adams Lounge. Everybody very warmly welcome.

Weston-super-Mare: A day trip to Weston on Tuesday, 23rd June, to leave St Ambrose's at 9.00 am prompt. Cost £16.00. To book a seat please contact Ann Harris on (01299) 402160.

Three Days in July: A RETREAT WITH BISHOP CHRISTOPHER JONES; JULY 8th – 10th. A very productive meeting to plan the Parish Retreat Days was held in the Adams Lounge on Wednesday. The main proposals are as follows:

Wednesday July 8th: A Mass to celebrate the FAMILY. Christine Vass has kindly agreed to co-ordinate the Liturgy on that evening, in conjunction with the School. We hope that it will be similar to the termly 'family Masses' and will culminate with a BARBECUE to be organised and run by the Catholic Men's Society.

Thursday July 9th: A Mass to celebrate the PARISH. During mass will invite Bishop Jones to bless the Shrine of St Pius X to commemorate the community from Habberley which has so enriched the life of our Parish. Readers and servers will be representative of the three communities that now form our Parish, and we shall also take the opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. The ladies of the UCM will arrange a shared table to follow the Mass.

Friday July 10th: A Mass to celebrate the life of the UNIVERSAL CHURCH. We shall invite visiting priests and members of neighbouring Parishes to join us, together with ecumenical guests. Members of the Polish, Ukrainian, Filipino and other language groups will be invited to come in national costume and use their own languages when we recite the OUR FATHER during Mass. Lynne Grealy has kindly agreed to undertake the catering for that evening.

I shall be speaking about the RETREAT DAYS during all the Masses next weekend but I am interested to receive any further suggestions during the coming week. Please pray for this important initiative to be fruitful.

Food Bank: Items needed for the Kidderminster Food Bank are listed on the notice board adjacent to the collection point.

Kidderminster Street Pastors: The Chairman of the Kidderminster Street Pastors, Bryan Smith, has issued an urgent appeal for new recruits in this important initiative. Please see the notice board for details but it does appear that this scheme may not be able to continue if volunteers are not forthcoming.

Filial Appeal to Pope Francis on the future of the family: I was one of a number of priests who signed the recent appeal to Pope Francis in defence of the traditional and perennial teaching of the Church on the institution of the family. There is now the opportunity for members of the laity to be associated with this initiative. A copy of the Petition is on the lectern at the back of the Church and parishioners who agree with its main thrust are invited to add their names.

Finances:

- i. Thank you for last week's Offertory of £887.91 (Loose plate £512 Envelope Scheme £375.91).
- ii. Donations to CAFOD were £3.00
- iii. Our subscribers to the Clergy Training Fund have contributed a further £96.00.

Borromeo Hall/Adams Lounge: available for functions of all kinds; parties, receptions etc. Please contact Mary Preston (07513 295817) or 07742 730680.

Evening Entertainment: Full music in the Adams Lounge with visiting musicians/singers and instrumentalists. Free admission. Open late.

