

**ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER**

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SACRED HEART & OUR LADY Berrington Road Tenbury Wells  
Parish Clergy: Fr Douglas Lamb, Revd. Peter Hesketh**

**In retirement: Revd Thomas Ashcroft, Revd Dr Peter Mason In preparation: Charles Duncombe, Adam Nicholls**

**Fourth Advent Sunday Year A Psalter Week 4 Pope John Sunday Missal p. 78 Weekend: 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> December 2010**

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: Sat: The Nativity of Our Lord; Next Sunday will be observed as the Feast of the Holy Family**

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

***St Ambrose's***

**Mon:** 7.30 am Kate Magner RIP  
**Tues:** 9.00 am Bill Nicholl RIP 11.00 am Funeral: Concetta Martina RIP  
**Wed:** 9.00 am Mykola Barchuk RIP 11.00 am Funeral Michael Turasz RIP  
**Thurs:** 9.00 am Joan Bone RIP 11.00 am Funeral Christopher Reaney RIP 7.30 pm Adoration until Compline 9.45 pm  
**Fri:** 5.45 pm Stanley & Victor Fernandez RIP Midnight: The People of the Parish  
**Sat:** 8.00 am (Old Rite) Bridie Mason RIP 9.30 am Jack, Amy, Michael Connolly & Dave Harris RIP **Sun:** 9.30 am Joe Farmer  
(Anniv) Con & Anthony Griffin RIP

***Our Lady's***

**Mon:** 7.30 pm Holy Communion  
**Fri:** 9.00 – 9.45 am Adoration 10.00 am Elin Young (Anniv) 8.00 pm Holy Souls  
**Sun:** 5.00 pm The People of the Parish

***Sacred Heart***

**Fri:** 7.30 pm Elizabeth Lamb RIP  
**Sun:** 11.30 am Derek Edwards RIP

**CONFESSIONS**

***St Ambrose's:*** Thursday 7.30 – 9.30 pm and at request

***Our Lady's:*** By request

***Sacred Heart:*** By request

**MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK**

***St Ambrose's***

**Altar Servers for the morning Mass:** Benjamin Fox, Aiden Preedy

**Church Cleaners:** Team C

**Offertory Counters:** Group 8

***Eucharistic Ministers***

**Fri:** 5.45 pm E Fox, B McFarland, R Quinn, M Weaver  
**Sat:** 9.30 am B Galvin P Grealy, A Nicholls, C Vass  
**Sun:** 9.30 am M Bradley, D Duncombe, C Ellwood, P Hunt

***Readers***

Family Mass  
L Harler  
P Male

***Our Lady's***

**Sun:** 5.00 pm M Hesketh, A McDermott, V Page, B Taylor M Bowdler, P Bowdler

***Sacred Heart***

**Sun:** 11.30 am T Cole J Hughes

**Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially:** Dorothy Atwell, Christopher Aylott, William Patrick Bannister, Albert Barr, Peggy Baynton, Christina Bickley, Frank Bourke, Linda Button, Stephen Coates, Nora Collins, David Connolly, Rob Conway, Kitty Cooper, Rob Cotgrave, Jane Cox, Mary Cull, Eamonn Dalton, Joni Dunlea, Phil Eady, Vera Farley, Sr Maureen Fay, Celia Fernandez, John Freeman, Sheila Freeman, Anthony Georgieff, Shirley Hale, May Hampsey, Elizabeth Harris, George Humble, Veronica Jones, Ben Kelly, Cathy Kneuss, Felicity Librie, Eleanor Lloyd, Arwen Lockley, Peter McQuillan, Fernanda and Michael Maffei, Natalina Maffei, Giuseppe Marcianite Kathleen Mellisop, Sheila Mikulicz, Lee Mound, Jean Mulligan, John Nangle, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Eileen Postans, Pat Quinn, Janet Richards, Mary Roberts, Gianconda Salsano, Harold Salter, Cecil Smith, Keith Southall, Lawrence Speers, Marie Stokes, Wendy Tait, Carmen Thomas, Cliff Tolley, Frances Tovey, Assunta Vaccaro, Patricia Virr, George Watkins, Joe and Joan Whitfield, Eric Whittaker, Gene Whitwam, Edith Wilkes, May Williams and Kitty Wooldridge

**Entrance Antiphon:** Let the clouds rain down the Just One, and the earth bring forth a Saviour.

**Response to the Psalm:** Let the Lord enter! He is the king of glory.

**Gospel acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! The Virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and they will call him Emmanuel, a name which means "God-is-with-us". Alleluia!

**Preface:** of Advent II p. 558 **Eucharistic Prayer:** III p. 579 **Memorial Acclamation:** IV

**Communion Antiphon:** The Virgin is with child, and shall bear a son, and she will call him Emmanuel.

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

**Baptism:** **Trinity Manley** will be baptised during Mass this weekend at 5.45 pm. We congratulate her family and thank them for giving so many of our parishioners the opportunity to be present.

**Funerals:** Details of the Funerals of **Concetta Martina** and **Michael Turasz** whose deaths were announced last week, are given overleaf. **Christopher Reaney** of Hurcott Court died last weekend and his Funeral will be on Thursday. The Funeral of **Michael Connolly** of Broom Crescent will be at Stourbridge Crematorium on December 29<sup>th</sup>. May they rest in peace.

**Readers' Rotas:** (St Ambrose's) are now available at the back of Church.

**Coffees and Teas:** will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 9.30 am Mass today by the Children's Liturgy group and next Sunday by the Choir.

**Evening Prayer for Advent:** The Office of Vespers with Advent music and reflections will be this evening (Sunday) at St Ambrose's at 6.30 pm.

**Confessions:** the remaining Penitential Services in the Deanery are on Monday at St Wulstan's Stourport, Tuesday at St Peter's Bromsgrove, Wednesday at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Redditch. The services begin at 7.30 pm. There will be an opportunity for Confessions in St Ambrose's on Thursday during adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (7.30 pm – 9.30 pm).

**Carols by Candlelight:** Please gather in the Adams Lounge this (Sunday) evening from 7.45 pm for Carol Singing with mince pies and mulled wine. The Christmas Draw will take place at 9.15 pm. Please return all counterfoils and money either to the Rectory (before 7.30 pm) or to the Lounge before 9 pm.

**Christmas Masses:** The schedule of Masses at Christmas is as follows:

CHRISTMAS EVE, December 24 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am	(St Ambrose's)		
	10.00 am	(Our Lady's)		
	5.45 pm	Vigil Mass with Carols for children and families (St Ambrose's)		
	7.30 pm	First Mass of Christmas (Sacred Heart, Tenbury)		
CHRISTMAS DAY, December 25 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 pm	First Mass of Christmas (Our Lady's – <b>Fr Denis O'Connor</b> )		
	MIDNIGHT	First Mass of Christmas (St Ambrose's)		
	8.00 am	Dawn Mass (Old Rite) (St Ambrose's)		
SUNDAY, December 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	High Mass (during the day) (St Ambrose's)		
	9.30 am	St Ambrose's	11.30 am	Sacred Heart
				5 pm Our Lady's

Readers and Ministers for these Masses are asked to see overleaf.

For MIDNIGHT MASS: MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: C Duncombe, A Harris READER: A Conway

**Parish Christmas Party:** hosted by the Parish Priest in the Adams Lounge on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> December from 7.45 pm and there will be as usual a New Year's Eve Party (31<sup>st</sup> Dec/1<sup>st</sup> Jan) 7.30 pm until late. Adult tickets £3.

**Missa Cantata:** The next Sung Mass in the Old Rite at St Mary's Harvington is on January 2nd at 3 pm.

**Music for Middlebrows:** A Gala Evening of New Year's Music will be presented in the Borromeo Hall on Sunday January 2<sup>nd</sup> 2011 from 7.45 pm. Participants were invited to bring their own personal selections.

**Austerity Lunch:** The next Lunch in support of Christian Aid will be at St Oswald's, Broadwaters on Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup> 2011 from 12.30 pm. Intending participants are asked to put their names on the lists that are available at the back of our Churches.

#### **Finances:**

- i. We have received a donation of £120 from the UCM, proceeds from their recent cake sale. We thank the ladies for their continued generosity.
- ii. Thank you for the Offertory last week of £1038.33 (Loose £729.91 Envelope Scheme £308.42)
- iii. The Collection for the Youth Services was £126.30
- iv. Donations for CAFOD raised £5.38
- v. The Collections for the Christmas Masses are the Offerings for the Clergy of the Parish

**Coat:** On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December the UCM had a Christmas dinner at the Brasserie. Unfortunately, a black coat size 10 with stitched pockets was taken in error. The coat which was left behind was similar to the one taken but it was a David Barry coat size 10 with open pockets. Please can you contact Jan Richards on 01562 755438.