

ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

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Thirty-third Sunday Year A Psalter Week 1 Pope John Sunday Missal p 728 15th/16th November 2008

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord says: my plans for you are peace and not disaster; when you call to me, I will listen to you, and I will bring you back to the place from which I exiled you.
Response to the Psalm: O blessed are those who fear the Lord.
Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia!
Preface: as appointed **Eucharistic Prayer:** as appointed **Memorial Acclamation:** as appointed.
Communion Antiphon: It is good for me to be with the Lord and to put my hope in Him.

Feast Days this Week: Fri: The Presentation of Our Lady Sat: St Cecilia

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

St Ambrose's

Mon 8.30 am Marie Woodfine RIP
Tues 9.15 am Rita Kerrigan RIP
7.00 pm Confirmation Mass – Bishop Philip Pargeter
Wed 7.30 am Robert Kevin Doyle RIP
8.30 am Maguire Family Intentions
Thurs 8.30 am Michael Cleary RIP
7.30 pm Adoration until 10 pm (Compline 9.45 pm)
Fri 7.10 pm Rosary 7:30 pm The Holy Souls/Margaret Cooke RIP
Sat 9.00 am (Old Rite) Biddy O'Reilly RIP
5.45 pm Deceased of Egan Family
Sun 9.30 am The People of the Parish

Our Lady's

Mon 7.30 pm Harold Davidson RIP
Fri 9.00 – 9.45 am Adoration 10.00 am Peter Ward RIP
Sat 10.00 am Intentions of Brian Fisher
Sun 5.00 pm Clifton Donald Young RIP

Sacred Heart

Sun 11.30 am Geoffrey Seccombe (Anniversary)

CONFESSIONS: St Ambrose's: Saturday 11.45 am – 12.45 pm, 6.30 pm – 7.00 pm and by request
Our Lady's: Saturday after Mass
Sacred Heart: By request

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Altar servers for morning Mass:

Edward Heywood, Charlie Gough

Eucharistic Ministers

St Ambrose's Sat 5.45 pm J Nangle, M Weaver
Sun 9.30 am M Cleary, P Grealy, T Hart, M Roy
Our Lady's Sun 5.00 pm M Bowdler, P Bowdler, B Gavan, J Gavan
Sacred Heart Sun 11.30 am M Peyton

Readers

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H Bearne, O da Costa
J Hughes

Church Cleaners (St Ambrose's): Team B

Offertory Counters: Group 1

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: William Patrick Bannister, Anthony Piechowicz, Jumper Collins, Elizabeth Westwood, Sylvia Jay, Tony O'Dowd, Vera Farley, Gene Whitwam, Martin Cahill, Eric Whittaker, Maggie Booton, Keith Southall, Lillian Insleay, Jean Legierski, Joe and Joan Whitfield, Carmen Thomas, Margaret Norris, Bill Nicholl, Mary Jones, Wilf Bradley, Edith Wilkes, May Hampsey, Jacqueline Byrne, Christine Barber, John Mullen, Bill Pardoe, Sheila Mikulicz, Rene Caulfield, Marion Thomson, Rita Vaccaro, Pat Norris, Eamonn Dalton, Mary Cull, Jim Valentine, Amelia Gissyng, Arwen Lockley, Maria Bradley, Peggy Baynton, Joseph Samways, Jo Kean, Norman Taylor, Patrick O'Connor, Helen Drew, Con Griffin, Diane Grovenor, Kitty Cooper, Nora Collins, Jennifer Bush, Anthony Georgieff, Joan Wareham, Steven Mitchell, Linda Button, Fernanda Maffei, Gertraud Chrzan, Kathleen Mellsop, Shirley Hale, Francesca Marciante, Pat Quinn, Frank Kane, Connie Maund, Fr David Higham, John Freeman, Eileen Postans, Joan Bone, Janet Richards, Phil Eady, Joni Dunlea, Brigid Bradbury, Peter McQuillan, Felicity Librie, Sr Maureen Fay, Mario Mazzone, May Williams, Baby Samways, Marjorie Johnson, Magda Morris, Mary Roberts (mother of Elaine Yates, our headmistress), Pat Redmond, Joan Field, Tadeusz Mazgajczyk, Michela Butera and Margaret George.

Next Sunday: Is the Solemnity of Christ the King, National Youth Sunday. During Mass at 9.30 am Peter Grealy will be speaking about his experiences in Australia with Pope Benedict, and we shall highlight the contribution that many of our young parishioners are making in the life of the Parish.

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Anniversary: The three days of celebration for the 150th anniversary of the building of our Parish Church are fast approaching. The hope is that ALL our parishioners and all who attend Mass in our Parish or are in any way associated with us will want to take part. On Thursday, 4 December, in Church at 7.00 pm, the children of our School will give a Pageant based on the 150 years of the life of our Parish. On Friday, 5 December at 7.30 pm in the Borromeo Hall, Dom Brendan Thomas OSB, of Belmont Abbey, will give an illustrated lecture on St Ambrose, our Patron. This will be followed by a cheese and wine reception and a pleasant evening together. The Archbishop will offer the anniversary Mass in Church on Saturday, 6 December at 12 noon, in the presence of the Town Mayor, Councillor Marcus Hart, other representatives of the Town, and representatives of Diocesan and Deanery clergy, and Ministers of other Churches. There will be other invited guests, but it is principally OUR opportunity to celebrate together and thank God for our beautiful Church, and thriving Parish. Please make these events as widely known as possible to present and former parishioners, and please try to offer lifts to housebound and elderly parishioners who may like to attend.

Archives: During the days of the anniversary we hope to have a display of our Parish archives. I am grateful to Peter Harler, Tess Grantham, Ann Harris and Norma Adams for preparing this display, which we hope will be in the Wheatley Room. In the long term they will be housed in the Office in the Club building, which will be dedicated in memory of Fr Walter Hofer. His nephew has given us an appropriate portrait photograph for this purpose.

Lately Dead: After almost a lifetime of suffering, Julian Davies died in hospital on Wednesday. Details of funeral arrangements will be published when available. Argia Orsetti died in The Shrubbery on Thursday afternoon, after a long illness. May they rest in peace.

Coffees/Teas: Today in the Borromeo Hall after 9:30 am Mass by the Pre-School Group, and next Sunday by the Children's Liturgy Group.

Austerity Lunch: In support of Christian Aid, will be at Milton Hall Baptist Church, Lorne Street, today from 12.30 pm.

Parish Ramble: Today, 16 November. Please meet at 12 noon at the start of the track next to the Safari Park for a somewhat shortened 2 – 3 mile walk in Rifle Range Nature Reserve.

Old Rite Mass: Fr Lamb will sing a Mass of Requiem today at 3.00 pm in St Mary's, Harvington.

Roadpeace Service: The annual Roadpeace Service of Remembrance will take place this evening in St Ambrose's at 6.30 pm. The preacher is the Revd Rose Lawley (the Industrial Chaplain, a member of St Mary's Team Ministry). Everyone is welcome to attend and pray for the victims of road traffic accidents.

UCM: Monday at 7.30 pm in the Borromeo Hall. The meeting will be followed by card-making led by Janine Nicholls.

Confirmation: Bishop Philip Pargeter will visit our School on Tuesday at 2.00 pm to meet the children who will be confirmed during Mass at 7:00 pm. He will also visit some sick and housebound parishioners.

Friendship Club: Meets again on Wednesday, 19 November. Contact Joyce or Marie Hesketh on K748474.

Whist Drive and Bingo: Everyone welcome to the Borromeo Hall on Wednesday 2 – 4.00 pm for the weekly Whist Drive; and Bingo in the Adams Lounge every Tuesday and Saturday from 8.00 pm.

The Year of St Paul: Our Scripture Study continues this week on Wednesday, in the Montini Room at 8.20 pm. We shall look at Romans, Chapter 12. These meetings have been lively and refreshing, and very well attended. Everyone is welcome, with a New Testament and a St Paul Prayer Book (if available).

Holy Souls: The Annual Mass for deceased parishioners will be on Friday at 7.30 pm. During Mass, our Memorial Bookcase will be blessed, and a Book of Remembrance will be dedicated. Please try to notify any former parishioners who may wish to be present for this significant occasion.

Music for Middlebrows: Borromeo Hall on Sunday, 23 November at 7.45 pm, with the personal selection of Paul Collins.

Catholic Medical Association: A meeting of the new Catholic Medical Association will be held at St George's, Worcester on Wednesday, 26 November at 7.00 pm to discuss the role of the CMA. A number of speakers will contribute, including Dr Tony Cole, a GP, a senior nurse and a nurse with many years experience with the Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage. Please see notice board for details.

St Andrew's Day: The Scottish Society invites everyone to join them to celebrate their 50th Anniversary in the Town of Kidderminster, at the Brasserie on Saturday, 29 November at 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm. £15 per head for a four-course meal, followed by Scottish song and dance. K822189.

The Plough: Three-course meal for £13.95 (without tea or coffee) on 10 September at 12.30 pm. See list at back of Church, or contact Marie Hesketh on K748474. A £5 deposit is required.

Haberley PACT Meeting: At Our Lady and St Pius X on 11 December at 6.30 pm.

Grand Draw: Tickets are available this weekend after Mass. The Draw will be on Sunday, 21 December in the Adams Lounge, during Carols by Candlelight. A list for the donation of prizes will be available next weekend. Please be as generous as possible, and as energetic as possible in selling tickets. It would be wonderful if proceeds would defray the expenses of our Anniversary weekend.

Finances:

- i Thank you for last week's Offertory of £979.30 (envelope scheme £360.53, loose £618.77).
- ii A further £67.73 is added to the Johnson Association Fund, now standing at £246.62
- iii Congratulations to the winners of the October Draw of the 200 Club, S Collins (No 37) and K Lay (No 87)
- iv St Ambrose's Parent and Toddlers wish to say thank you to everyone who was so generous in helping us to raise £187 for Children in Need.
- v The Diocesan Auditor visited the Parish last Thursday to inspect our financial procedures. I would like to express our sincere thanks to those who administer our Parish finances: Keith Bannister, David Godwin, Chris Stanley, Brian Taylor, Fil Vaccaro and Tim Yates. Our accounting is done by Revd Tom Ashcroft, Eileen Villa and Peter Young. Thanks to those who are members of our eight counting teams, to those who take up the collections in Church, and to the faithful Leo Kealey and John Parker who are our Bank messengers. We are also indebted to Charles Duncombe for his efficient stewardship of the 200 Club, an invaluable source of income.