

ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

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Pentecost Sunday Year C Psalter Week 4 Pope John Sunday Missal p. 469 ff Weekend: May 22nd/23rd 2010

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: Tues: St Bede; Wed: St Philip Neri; Thurs: St Augustine of Canterbury
Fri: The Solemnity of the Dedication of the Church.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose's

Mon: 7.30 am Tom Healey RIP

Tues: 8.30 am Margaret George RIP

Wed: 9.15 am Mary Mahoney (Anny)

Thurs: 8.30 am Barney Murray RIP

Fri: 7.30 pm Adoration until 10 pm (Compline 9.45 pm)

Sat: 9.00 am (Old Rite) Anthony Cleary RIP 1 pm Marriage: Dale Minaker-Angela Rnic 7.10 pm Rosary 7.30 pm Kath Smith RIP

Sun: 9.30 am Christine Barber RIP 5.45 pm Joseph Donigan RIP

6.30 pm May Devotions

Our Lady's

Mon: 7.30 pm HOLY COMMUNION

Fri: 9.00 – 9.45 am Adoration 10.00 am Reita Blaker RIP

Sat: 10.00 am Jumper & Mary Collins RIP

Sun: 5.00 pm Veronica Rowley RIP

6.30 pm May Devotions

Sacred Heart

Fri: 3.30 pm Rosary Devotions

Sun: 11.30 am The People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS

St Ambrose's: Saturday: 11.45 am – 12.45 pm; 6.30 – 7.00 pm and by request

Our Lady's: Saturday after Mass

Sacred Heart: By request

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose's

Altar Servers for morning Mass: Curtis Laux, Owen Malcolmson-Priest

Church Cleaners: Team A Offertory Counters: Group 8

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat. 5.45 pm E Darbyshire, A Nicholls

Sun. 9.30 am M Bradley, P Grealy, C Kneuss, C Vass

Readers

M Holmes

S Scrocca

Our Lady's

Sun. 5.00 pm J Da Costa, B Gavan, B Taylor, L Whatley

J Keetch, J Walker

Sacred Heart

Sun. 11.30 am M Peyton

Anthony 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, Peggy Baynton, Frank Bourke, Dorothy Breese, Linda Button, Nora Collins, David Connolly, Kitty Cooper, Mary Cull, Eamonn Dalton, Joni Dunlea, Phil Eady, Vera Farley, Sr Maureen Fay, Celia Fernandez, John Freeman, Anthony Georgieff, Muriel Godsell, Shirley Hale, May Hampsey, Veronica Jones, Julia Joyner, Ben Kelly, Cathy Kneuss, Jean Legierski, Felicity Librie, Eleanor Lloyd, Arwen Lockley, Peter McQuillan, Fernanda & Michael Maffei, Natalina Maffei, Giuseppe Marciante Kathleen Mellsop, Sheila Mikulicz, Jean Mulligan, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Bill O'Donnell, Bill Pardoe, Eileen Postans, Pat Quinn, Janet Richards, Gianconda Salsano, Harold Salter, Cecil Smith, Keith Southall, Laurence Speers, Marie Stokes, Wendy Tait, Carmen Thomas, Cliff Tolley, Frances Tovey, Assunta Vaccaro, Patricia Virr, Joe & Joan Whitfield, Eric Whittaker, Gene Whitwam, and May Williams.

Entrance Antiphon: The Spirit of the Lord fills the whole world. It holds all things together and knows every word spoken by man, alleluia.

Response to the Psalm: Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Preface: of Pentecost p. 475

Eucharistic Prayer: I p. 566

Memorial Acclamation: III

Communion Antiphon: They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke of the great things God had done, alleluia.

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

Baptisms: Today, at Mass, we will welcome **Fionnuala Gilmour** and **Georgia Neale** through the Sacrament of Baptism. Pentecost Sunday is a very appropriate day on which to celebrate.

Anniversary: Next Wednesday is the anniversary of the death in 1977 of **Fr Jack Kearns** (1951- 1955). May he rest in peace.

Requiescat: Please pray for **John Hamilton** brother in law of Madeleine Roy. He died during this past week. May he rest in peace.

Marriage: Next Saturday, the marriage of **Dale Minaker** and **Angela Ruic** will be celebrated in **St Ambrose's**. Please pray for their future happiness.

Coffees and Teas: will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 9.30 am Mass today by the Choir and next Sunday by the Ambrosians.

May Devotions: This traditional Devotion will be in both our Kidderminster Churches on the Sunday evenings in May at 6.30pm.

Union of Catholic Mothers: will meet on Monday in the Borromeo Hall at 8.15 pm. New members most welcome.

Society of St Vincent de Paul: The next meeting of the SVP takes place on Tuesday 25th May at 10am. New members welcome.

The Friendship Club: meets again on Wednesday, 26th May at 12.30pm. Contact Joyce Gavan or Marie Hesketh K. 748474

Whist Drive/Bingo: All are welcome to join our whist players every Wednesday in the Borromeo Hall at 2.00pm. Experience is not necessary.

A reminder also of Bingo in the Adams Lounge on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 8.00pm

First Holy Communion: There will be a further meeting of children, parents, catechists and others helping in the preparation for First Holy Communion. This will take place in the School Hall next Thursday at 6.30 pm.

Prayers for Reparation and Atonement: We continue offering prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for reparation and atonement for the abuse of children and other vulnerable people. This will take place next Friday at **Our Lady's** (9.00 am – 9.45 am) **Sacred Heart Tenbury** (3.30 pm) and **St Ambrose's** (6 pm – 7.10 pm prior to Rosary and Evening Mass). Please join in this nationwide initiative.

Music for Middlebrows: The next gathering will be in the Borromeo Hall on Sunday May 30th from 7.45 pm. The programme will include music by two composers who have significant anniversaries this year, **Chopin** and **Schumann**. Everyone very welcome.

Solemnity of the Sacred Heart Friday June 11th: As usual there will be Mass in the Sacred Heart Church in Tenbury at 7.00 pm to celebrate our Patronal Feast. Patrick and Annie Holcroft have offered supper afterwards at their home, Currall Hall, although **numbers are limited**.

Kidderminster parishioners are invited to indicate on the lists in our Churches.

Men's Annual Retreat: This will take place on Saturday/Sunday 12th/13th June. Places are limited but if you are interested, please contact Peter Young (K. 750529) or Ray Barber (K. 630740).

Evesham Pilgrimage: The Pilgrimage this year will be on 12th June and will be led by the Abbot of Downside. Please see notice board for details.

Visit to Oscott College: Charles Duncombe is anxious to complete arrangements for the visit to Oscott on June 13th. After arrival at 3.30 pm, there is a tour of the College, including the wonderful Recusant Museum; an opportunity to have tea with some of those studying for the Priesthood, and to participate in Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction in the magnificent College chapel. Please sign the lists by May 31st so that travel plans etc can be put in place.

Summer Camp in Toledo (Spain): The Rector of the House of Priestly Formation in Toledo has written to parishes in England: We are organizing a summer camp in preparation for World Youth Day 2011 in Madrid. It is a three week programme (11- 31 July) which involves Catholic Formation, Spanish classes, trips around Toledo, sports and prayer during the day. Please see the notice board for full details.

Papal Visit: As you know, Pope Benedict XVI is to visit England and Scotland on a four day Papal visit from 16- 19th September. Being a State Visit, and much shorter than the pastoral visit here of Pope John Paul II, it will be a very different experience but further information will reach you as soon as it is finalised by the organisers, particularly in relation to the Coventry event and Mass. Some of the scheduled occasions will be distinctly religious events for our Church in England, Wales and Scotland (for example the Beatification of Cardinal John Henry Newman in Coventry, public Mass in Glasgow, prayer vigil in London etc) and will inevitably involve major expense. Some effective fund raising initiated by the Bishops' Conference has raised the major part of the funds but also there will have to be a Sunday collection taken in all of the churches of our three countries to meet the costs. This takes place today, Pentecost Day.

Finances: i Thank you for the Offertory last week of £933.18 (Loose £626.18, Envelope Scheme £307).

ii The Collection for Catholic Communications has, so far, realised £134.09.

Year For Priesthood: these priests will be helped by our prayers during this coming week:

Monday: Fr Peter Weatherby, Dean of North Staffordshire
Tuesday: Fr Brian Whatmore, a former Anglican, who helps at St Austin's, Stafford
Wednesday: Fr Edmund Whelan, retired in Ireland since 1986
Thursday: Fr Paul Whieldon, Parish Priest of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Worcester
Friday: Fr Michael White, Christ the King, Kingstanding and Director of Youth Services
Saturday: Mgr Anthony Wilcox, Sacred Heart, Henley on Thames
Sunday: Mgr Graham Wilkinson of our own Deanery, Parish Priest of St Peter's, Bromsgrove.

Spring Bank Holiday: Monday May 31st. Those few parishioners who are not going away on half-term holiday break are invited to join the Parish Priest for a relaxing Garden Party in the Rectory Garden from 4 pm (High Tea, Pimms, garden stalls and raffles). A Race Night will begin at 6.30 pm and a rousing end to the evening is in prospect with a version of the LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS. Several parishioners suggested this would be an appropriate way to celebrate the YEAR FOR PRIESTHOOD in a social way and I am happy to agree and look forward to it. Stylish hats for ladies will be particularly welcome.

Prayer for Preparation for the Pope's Visit: God of truth and love, your son, Jesus Christ, stands as the light to all who seek you with a sincere heart. As we strive with your grace to be faithful in word and deed, may we reflect the kindly light of Christ and offer a witness of hope and peace to all. We pray for Pope Benedict and look forward with joy to his forthcoming visit to our countries. May he be a witness to the unity and hope which is your will for all people. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of the Church, *pray for us.*

St Andrew, *pray for us.*

St George, *pray for us.*

St David, *pray for us.*

Behold the Lamb of God: There are four copies of Pope Benedict's Reflections on the Holy Eucharist available in the Bookshop at St Ambrose's. £5 per copy.