

ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

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SACRED HEART & OUR LADY Berrington Road Tenbury Wells

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

Twenty fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Week Commencing: September 16th 2018

Psalter Week: 4 CTS Sunday Missal p. 916 Preface: III of Sundays p.569 Eucharistic Prayer: III p.611 Mystery of Faith: III

Response to the Psalm: I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

Gospel Acclamation: I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no-one can come to the Father, except through me.

Feast Days this week: Mon: St Robert Bellarmine Thurs: The Martyrs of Korea Fri: St Matthew

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

St Ambrose's

Mon: 7.30 am Seymour & Stella Shore RIP
Tues: 8.30 am Catherine Carroll RIP
Wed: 9.15 am Diana Grovenor RIP
Thurs: 11.30 am Eileen Postans RIP 7.30 pm Adoration until 9 pm (Compline 8.45 pm)
Fri: Adoration 9.30 am – 10.15 am Mass 10.30 am Jim Lay RIP
Sat: 9.00 am Terry Doohan RIP followed by Rosary & Novena Prayers for the sick
Sun: 11.00 am The People of the Parish 6.00 pm Intentions of School Staff (Collins)

Sacred Heart

Sun: 9.00 am Intentions of Mary Kozicki

CONFESSIONS: St Ambrose's: Saturday: 11.45 am – 12.45 pm and by request ; Sacred Heart by request

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Altar Servers for morning Mass: L Collins and M Conway

St Ambrose's: Sun. 11.00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: S Elcock, C Ellwood, E Fox, B Galvin, D Gillett

Readers: A Flavin, G Hodgkinson

Sun. 6.00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers V Page, G Rock

Readers: P & T Collins

Sacred Heart: Sun. 9.00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: A Speers, A Stanley

Readers: J Moore

Church Cleaners: Team A

Offertory Counters: Group 5

Teas and Coffees: CMS

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Janet Richards, Arwen Lockley, Maureen Connolly, Jackie Sands and Jim Thomas.

Canonisation of Bl. Pope Paul VI: Blessed Pope Paul VI (reigning 1963 – 1978) is to be canonised on Sunday October 14th. As Cardinal Giovanni Battista Montini, he was Archbishop of Milan, and thus, like St Charles Borromeo, a successor to St Ambrose. After 11 am Mass on that day, I would invite everyone to gather in the Borromeo Hall/Montini Room where there is a fine picture of Pope Paul. We will then say the Midday Prayer of the Church (copies of the Psalms will be provided) and then have a shared lunch together. I have asked the ladies of the UCM to co-ordinate the lunch arrangements. They will publish lists at the back of the church with suggestions of the sort of food that might be appropriate, or for parishioners to make their own offers. I hope that everyone will accept this notice as an invitation to share prayer and food together and celebrate an additional Patron of our Parish.

The Montini Group: The first meeting of the Montini group will be on Tuesday at 7.45 pm in the Montini Room when we shall introduce the ROMAN CANON which is the text will be used during the year. Copies of the prayer will be available but it would be helpful if participants have their own copy to hand (in the Sunday Missal or CTS Mass book). The meetings will normally conclude at 9 pm and are suitable for practising Catholics looking to deepen their Faith: for those seeking a return to religious practice; and to non-Catholics who may wish to learn more about the belief and practice of the Catholic Church. It is hoped that meetings based on the same themes will be held in Tenbury; and I will be happy to meet with prospective members of the Church either individually or in groups by arrangement. All enquiries, please, to the Rectory (01562 822939). Please pray for the success of this year's programme of meetings.

The Union of Catholic Mothers: meets on Monday at 7.30 pm in the Borromeo Hall. This will be a social meeting, at which we shall be playing Bingo. Any interested ladies will be most welcome. The next business meeting is on October 1st.

Craft Club: meets this Tuesday in the Borromeo Hall at 7.30 pm. New members welcome.

Ambrosian Group: Members meet for their shared lunch in the Borromeo Hall on Thursday from midday. New parishioners or friends of existing members very welcome.

SVP: The next meeting will be on Monday 24th September at 7.15 pm in the Adams Lounge.

Catholic Men's Society: The annual Mass in honour of Our Lady will be on Wednesday September 26th at 7.30 pm followed by a buffet supper in the Wheatley Room. New members will be very welcome.

Line Dancing: on Wednesday 26th September in the Borromeo Hall at 7.30pm. Entry £4 in aid of carpet fund – so far we have donated £48 and had a lot of fun. Anyone can do it – laugh that is!

Macmillan Coffee Morning: This year's coffee morning will be held on Friday, 28th September on the Borromeo Hall from 9am. – 12:30pm. Please make a note in your diary and support this very worthwhile cause.

Service of Animal Blessing: In association with the School, we will have a service of animal blessing in the School Yard at 3.45 pm on Thursday, October 4th, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. Parents will be invited to bring pets from home when they come to collect their children, and Mesdames Brocklesby and Stewart offer a warm invitation to any parishioners who may wish to bring pets along for the short service, which should last about 20 – 25 minutes. Please let us try to support the School in this initiative.

Candlelight Rosary Procession: Sunday October 7th is the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary, and there will be a candlelight Rosary procession beginning in the church at 7.30 pm.

A note: At an informal gathering UCM members last week, it was pointed out that many of those attending would otherwise have been on their own. It was a valuable reminder of the significance and importance of ALL our parish groups and meetings. Thanks to JOYCE BERRY

Mite Scheme: Huge thanks to all parishioners! Last year, St Ambrose's sent £300 to the Mite Scheme, 2% of the £15,000 raised throughout the entire UK! This year we have already raised over £230 so please keep on collecting 5p pieces or any coins. Every penny is spent on re-hydration sachets, distributed by UNICEF to 126 countries. I would also like to pay tribute to Rita Mackay who was a generous and faithful giver to the Mite Scheme. Thank you!

Finances: i. Thank you for last week's Offertory of £818.96 (Plate: £443.96 Envelope: £375.00)
ii. £20 was donated to the Priests' Training Fund.

Borromeo Hall/Adams Lounge: Available for functions of all kinds; parties, receptions etc. Please contact Joel Douglas on 07513 295817 (bookings.stambrose@gmail.com)

Bingo: Every Tuesday 8.00 pm.

Whist: Every Wednesday 2.00 pm. Please come along and support the Parish Centre.