

## ST. AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

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This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: registered Charity no. 234216.

Christ the King Sunday

Year: C

Week Commencing: November 24<sup>th</sup> 2019.

Psalter Week: 2 CTS Sunday Missal p.1095 Preface: of the Solemnity p.814 Eucharistic Prayer: I pg. 591 Mystery of Faith: III

Response to the Psalm: *I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house'.*

Gospel Acclamation: Blessings on Him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming Kingdom of our father David!

Feast Days this Week: M. St Catherine of Alexandria. S. St Andrew.

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

#### St Ambrose's

Mon: 8.30 a.m. Intentions of Fr. Sharples

Tues: 8.30 a.m. John Lainchbury RIP

Wed: 9.15 a.m. Dave Harris (Anniv.)

Thurs: 11.30 a.m. Matthew Fleming RIP

7.30 p.m. Adoration until 8.35 p.m. Compline.

Fri: 9.30 a.m. Adoration until 10.15 a.m. Mass 12 noon Funeral: OLIVER DONAGHEY RIP

Sat: 9.00 a.m. Mary Keneghan (Anniversary) followed by Rosary & Novena Devotions.

Sun: 11.00 a.m. Michael Downs and Samuel Evans (Anniv.) 3.00 p.m. (Old Rite) The People of the Parish 6.00 p.m. Catherine Wood (Anniv.)

#### Sacred Heart

Sun: 9.00 a.m. For our Benefactors

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: O. Tombak, E. Martin.

#### St Ambrose's:

Sun 11.00 am:

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Bradley, E. Buncl, A. Colclough, S. Laskey, E. Derbyshire.

Readers: L. Tiene, J. Walker.

Sun 6.00 pm:

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Harper, M. Hesketh.

Readers: A. Steward, P. Young.

#### Sacred Heart:

Sun 9.00 am:

Eucharistic Ministers: A. Speers, A. Stanley

Readers: To be arranged.

Church Cleaners Team: C.

Offertory Counters Group: 6.

Tea/Coffee: The U.C.M.

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially:

Janet Richards, Arwen Lockley, Maureen Connolly, Harold Salter, Jackie Sands, Jim Thomas, Nora Collins, Matteo Butera, Rosemarie Smith, Emilia Gissyng, Revd Fr Edward Sopala, Richard Bolton, Julie White, Laura Reynolds, Fr Bruce Dutton, Tom Hopkins, Thomas Roy, Bernard Casken, Esther Sharp, Delia Nepi, Helena Collins, Margaret Tillott, Ken Dalby, Frank Furlong, Fr. Richard Sharples and Peter Bowdler.

**First Holy Communion:** At Mass this evening, HELENA COLLINS will receive Holy Communion for the first time. We pray for her and for her family.

**N.B.** In Joseph's absence, the rotas are not available. If possible, those designated for next week-end are asked to fulfil the ministries at Masses, the First Sunday of Advent. Thank you.

**Thanks:** I am very grateful for so many encouraging remarks following last Sunday's homily.

**Funerals:** Tomorrow at 11.00 a.m. I shall be concelebrating the Funeral Mass of JERZY SZAVMAN-SZUMSKI, at the Church of Our Lady of Ostra Brama in Pitt Street. In his younger days, Mr. Szumski was a daily Mass attendee at St. Ambrose's. The Funeral Service of KEN FROST is in the Crematorium on Tuesday at 11.30 a.m. OLIVER DONAGHEY'S body will be received into the Church by the Revd. Charles Duncombe on Thursday at 5.00 p.m. in preparation for his Funeral Mass on Friday at 12 noon. Fr. John Moran of Harvington will be the Celebrant, and will preside at the burial in Harvington Churchyard. (Fr. Lamb will be absent on Friday, offering a Day of Recollection for the Order of Malta). The Funeral of MAUREEN HICKMAN is at the Crematorium on Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9.30 a.m., and the Funeral of JOHN SINGLETON is at St. Peter's (C of E) in Harbourne on Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 12.30 p.m. Fr. Lamb has been invited to take part. The body of ANN WEBB will be received into Church at 4.30 p.m. on Tuesday December 10<sup>th</sup> prior to her Funeral Mass at 10.30 a.m. on December 11<sup>th</sup>. A Cremation will follow at Wyre Forest. The Funeral of JAMES BRYANT has been arranged with Mass in St. Ambrose's on Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 11.00 a.m.. after which his body will be buried in Kidderminster Cemetery.

**Anniversary:** Tomorrow is the Anniversary of the death in 1950 of FR. MAVRUS RUDMAN, Parish Priest 1944 – 1950. He taught at Cotton College for many years and is, so far, the only Parish Priest to die in office at St. Ambrose's.

**SVP:** The next meeting takes place on Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 7.15 pm in the Adams Lounge/Wheatley Room. New members welcome.

**The Union of Catholic Mothers** meets on Monday at 7.30 p.m. in the Borromeo Hall.

**Tuesday Evening Bingo:** Are holding a Christmas Sale on Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> from 7.00 pm. All monies to go to Kemp Hospice.

**Confirmation:** The parents of those preparing for Confirmation are invited to meet the Parish Priest in the Borromeo Hall on Tuesday at 6.30 p.m.; and the children with their Catechists and teachers will meet on Wednesday at 3.15 p.m.

**Montini Group:** At the Montini Group on Tuesday at 7.45 p.m. in the Montini Room we shall continue to reflect on Chapter IV of the Rule of St. Benedict – THE TOOLS of the SPIRITUAL CRAFT. Everyone is always welcome.

**Catholic Men's Society:** The Revd Adam Nicholls will lead an open discussion on the topic of Evangelisation on November 27<sup>th</sup> in the Adams Lounge.

**Soup and Pudding Evening:** In the Borromeo Hall on Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup> from 7.30 pm, though earlier entry may be possible for those who want to cook on site. The idea is that parishioners and friends are invited to prepare soup or puddings that can be enjoyed by all who attend. An entry of £3 is requested - £5 for those who come to sample. There will be a raffle with seasonal prizes and proceeds will go to the Maintenance Fund.

**St John Henry Newman:** Parishioners may wish to mark the recent Canonisation by attending a performance of THE DREAM OF GERONTIUS in Kidderminster Town Hall on Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. It is being presented by Kidderminster Choral Society. Please see posters at the back of the Church for further details.

**Christmas Bazaar:** Will be on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, after Mass. Donations are needed for all stalls. Chocolates, bottles, home produce, filled jars of sweets, jams, chutney, Christmas gifts, crafts, cakes, mince pies, etc., Please leave items at the Rectory or at the back of the Church after Mass. Help is needed on Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup> to set up, and on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> to clear away. Please contact Joy or Betty. Scones will be on sale after Sunday Mass. All donations for Parish funds.

**Old Rite:** There will be a MISSA CANTATA in the OLD Rite at 3.00 p.m. next Sunday in St. Ambrose's. This Mass fulfils the Sunday obligation, books are provided and tea and cakes served in the Rectory afterwards.

**Living Embers:** Wyre Forest Ecumenical Christian Ladies Group meets on Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> for a Christmas Celebration from 9.45 at the Jubilee International Church, Hoo Road.

**St Ambrose's Day:** The Solemnity of St Ambrose is on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. We shall have Mass at 12.15 pm in Church, followed by FISH AND CHIPS, provided yet again by Britain's Best, the BROADWATERS CHIPPY. Please sign at the back of the Church so that we can place an order in good time. Donations of £7.50 are requested, and families are welcome to bring whatever drinks they wish. It will be good if we can celebrate our Patronal Feast together.

**Christmas Draw 2019:** Tickets are now available at the back of our Churches. Please take and sell AS MANY AS POSSIBLE. Our need for funds is greater than ever as we have much maintenance work to undertake during the coming months. As everyone is aware, Church collections do not adequately cover our weekly outgoings, and so we rely on the organised Parish events, Christmas Draws, Bazaars and the like.

**Eat with us on Christmas Day:** St Ambrose's Parish Centre from 12.30 pm. Transport available (to collect and return). Contact the Rectory on K 822839.

**The Sower:** The Advent edition of the Diocesan Magazine, THE SOWER is available at the back of the Churches this weekend. It is also available on line at <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/diocesan-magazine>.

**St Ambrose's Baby and Toddler Group:** Wednesday mornings 9-11. Suitable for babies up to pre-schoolers. We are also looking for volunteers to help during the session. This could be for an hour a week or one or two sessions a month. Anything would be appreciated. Please see Elizabeth Buncle if you think you might be able to help.

**St Ambrose's School** has pupil places vacant in Reception, Year 1, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6. Please telephone (01562) 823568 or email [office@stambrose.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:office@stambrose.worcs.sch.uk) for more information.

**Vacancies at Cathedral House, Birmingham:** Applications are invited for a Front Desk Clerk/Receptionist and an Administrative Support Officer (Safeguarding). Both roles are permanent/full time, and based at Cathedral House. For full details please visit the Archdiocese website, [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk).

#### Finances :

- i. St. Ambrose's Red Mission Boxes. If you would like your Box emptied before the end of the year, please leave it in Church.
- ii. Thank you for the Offertory last week of £953.34. (Envelope Scheme £391; loose collection £562.34).
- iii. £54.09 was donated to CAFOD.
- iv. £6.55 was donated to the MITE Scheme.
- v. We acknowledge with gratitude two donations made recently to the Parish.
- vi. There is a retiring collection today for the Diocesan Youth Service.

#### St. Ambrose's Parish Centre

Available for meetings, seminars, parties and functions of all kinds.  
Contact Joel Douglas on 07513 295817 or [bookings.stambrose@gmail.com](mailto:bookings.stambrose@gmail.com)  
Bingo : Weekly on Tuesdays at 8.00 p.m.  
Whist : Weekly on Wednesday at 2.00 p.m. Learners most welcome.