ST. AMBROSE'S CHURCH KIDDERMINSTER & SACRED HEART CHURCH TENBURY WELLS

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The THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY of the YEAR

iturgical Year B Psalter Week III. November 3rd 2024 Preface of Sundays V. Eucharistic Prayer III. Acclamation III.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

MONDAY Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo; a successor of St. Ambrose in Milan, model Bishop, brought the teaching

of the Council of Trent to fruition.

November 4th 8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Bishop Humphrey Bright RIP followed by Pro-Life Prayers

TUESDAY Feria.

November 5th 8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. The Holy Souls

12:30 pm. (Oscott College) Mass for Deceased Clergy

WEDNESDAY All Saints of Ireland

November 6th 8:55 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9:15 am. Desmond Graves (Anniv.)

7 pm. Choir practice

THURSDAY Feria.

November 7th 8:50 am. (Winterfold House School) Remembrance Mass

6 pm. (School) Keith Pearce RIP

7:30 am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with the Office of Compline at 8:30 pm.

FRIDAY November 8th

Feria.

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Fr. Derek Edwards (Anniv.)

10:30 am. (Tenbury Wells) Rosary devotions.

SATURDAY Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

November 9th 8:55 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Marty Joyce RIP followed by Rosary & Novena Devotions

SUNDAY NEXT will be the THIRTY-SECOND Sunday of the YEAR

November 10th 9 am. (Tenbury Wells) In Thanksgiving

II am. Deceased of the World Wars

6 pm. The People of the Parish / John Singleton (Anniv.)

CONFESSIONS: Saturday II:45 am., - 12:45 pm., and at any other time by request.

TEAS & COFFEES after II am Mass in the Adams Lounge next Sunday: CMS & A. Maffei

ADDITIONAL MINISTERS: 11 am. M. Bradley 6 pm. L. Whatley

READERS: II am. C. Villa CLEANING TEAM: A (Wednesday morning)

TENBURY: Additional minister: A. Stanley Reader: L. Taylor

FR. GRAHAM WILKINSON: A former Parish Priest of Bromsgrove and a close friend of Canon Lamb, died on Thursday morning after a long illness. May he rest in peace.

6 pm. D. Gillett

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES: Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. Joseph Boland, curate of this parish 1933-1935, who died November 5th 1950 and for Fr. Derek Edwards, curate of this parish 2000-2002 & 2006-2010, who died November 8th 2010. May they rest in peace.

RETIRING COLLECTION: To-day there will be a retiring collection for The Johnson Fund who provide support for priests suffering illness, infirmity and old age. Please give generously.

DECORATION: Thanks to the very many volunteers who attended on Tuesday to prepare the church for Maria Slater's funeral on Thursday. It must have been a massive clear-up job but it is wonderful that so many people came together to help. The next part of the work is to remove any remaining paint from the radiators, and then they are to be lacquered. After that, it may be all hands on deck to begin the painting. Our special thanks to Charles Duncombe, Mark Farmer and Dale Minaker, who have planned everything so carefully and supervised so thoroughly; and so many others who have been on hand for long periods in tidying, fetching and carrying heavy benches, and mopping up a very dirty church after the sand blasting.

THANKS: Our thanks to JAMES POYNTER, who has very kindly refurbished and varnished the notice board outside St. Ambrose's church.

MONTINI GROUP: We shall meet again on Tuesday at 4:15 pm. to continue our journey through the history of the Catholic Church. We shall be reviewing the Early Middle Ages (400 AD. – 1054 AD). Everyone is welcome to join this informal yet informative discussions.

CONFIRMATION MEETING: The second meeting for parents of those being Confirmed on St. Ambrose's day will be in the Adams Lounge of the Parish Hall at 6 pm on Tuesday.

KNIT & NATTER & CHRISTMAS CRAFTS: Will be on display when we meet on Tuesday in the Borromeo Hall from 2 pm. – 4 pm. We meet on the r^{st} , and 3^{rd} Tuesday of each month. Everyone is welcome to join us. Just drop in and relax over a cup of tea and a chat.

CELEBRATION: This *Thursday* there will be a Mass in School at 6 pm. followed by a Buffet Supper and I hope that very many of our parishioners will be able to attend, to meet the staff and to see the excellent facilities that have been provided for so many of our children. Events such as this may help to integrate more of our families into the life of our parish, and this will be to the benefit of us all.

FRATERNAL: The Ministers of the Churches in the town will meet on Thursday at 12:30 pm. in the Elim Church in Aggborough, We are hoping to chart a way for re-establishing CHURCHES TOGETHER IN KIDDERMINSTER.

ST. AMBROSE'S COMPANIONS: Will meet on Thursday November 7th at THE LAND OAK at 12:30 pm., NOT in the Adams Lounge as is usual. If you are widowed or live alone you will be made very welcome.

BAPTISM MEETING: The next Baptism Meeting will be on Tuesday, November 12th at 7 pm. in the Adams Lounge. Anyone preparing their child for Baptism is strongly encouraged to attend.

SOLEMNITY of CHRIST the KING: This will be a special day for our parish. During Mass at II am. SARAH LEMIECH and CRISTIANO CRASSUS will be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. Please pray for them as they complete their preparation. Both are already giving us a good example – Sarah has joined one of our church cleaning teams, and Cris has joined the Choir. At 3 pm. there will be a HOLY HOUR, promoted by the Catholic Men's Society, which parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend, marking the last Sunday of the liturgical year.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: The Parish Christmas Bazaar will be on December 1st and we would like to request donations of bottles, chocolates, and gifts etc.. for the Tombola; good quality bric-a-brac is also welcome. Please drop all donations off at the Rectory. Thank you.

ST. AMBROSE'S DAY: This year we have a splendid opportunity of celebrating our Parish Patronal Feast in fitting solemnity. As we know, Bishop David Evans will be with us to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation, and to present the Diocesan Award UBI CARITAS to CHRISTINE VASS. After Mass, in the Parish Centre, we would like to repeat last years wonderful mutli-cultural celebration when the different ethnic and national groups in our parish came together in national costume, and with food and music from our different communities. The Mass is at 12 noon, and we hope to celebrate afterwards. Such an event will give our newly Confirmed children a marvellous experience of Faith, and it will give all of us a space of joy as we come together to celebrate all that is good in our parish. We hope all our different national and cultural groups will be able to participate. More in the

200 CLUB: Following the recent Draw in the Parish Centre the lucky winners for October 2024 are:

 1^{st} £75 No. 133 Mrs. J. Nicholls 2^{nd} £50 No. 42 Mrs. D. Holdstock 3^{rd} £48 No. 48 Mrs. S. Wolfe

OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE: The Bishop Conference of England & Wales enjoins all the Faithful to strenuously oppose the proposed new Bill legalising Assisted Suicide. Please contact your local MP and see www.cbcew.org.uk/reasons-to-oppose-assisted-suicide/. The Catholic Church teaches that life is a gift to be cherished and cared for at all stages until natural death and that it is morally wrong to intentionally end one's own life or that of another persons, including at their request.

A POCKETFUL of PRAYERS in the CATHOLIC TRADITION: Monsignor Michael Sharkey, a priest of this Diocese has edited a prayer companion for the forthcoming Jubilee Year. A form is at the back of our churches for those who would like us to order a copy (£3 each.) and our order will be placed at the beginning of November.

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and all who have need of our prayers, especially: Joyce Berry, Maria Cholowa, Trina Cole, Clare Conway, Olive Cooke, Alan Cunningham, Michael Dunne, Fr Bruce Dutson, Betty Elwes, Madonna Endeley, Mary Fieldsend, Teresa Friar, Emilia Gissyng, Margaret Grimley, Lola Hartland, Kathleen Hegarty, Annie Holcroft, Margaret Holmes, Christine Hopkins, Anthony Hughes, Boban Joseph, George William Kawooya, Shirley Keogh, Joan Kinsella, Pam Lay, Francesca Lloyd, Arwen Lockley, Alycia Matthews, Sharon Matthews, Sheila Mikulicz, Neil Moule, James McCarthy, John Nangle, Brigid Nestor, William Nixon, Bridget Power, Veronica Pugh, Amanda Rattigan, Sarah Rejman-Greene, Fr Tony Rohan, Jackie Sands, Helen Simoneau, Anthea Speers, Lawrence Speers, Liz Steadman, Ray Stride, Joyce Taylor, Jim Thomas, Margaret Tillott, Jessie Tolley, Jill Tombs, Christopher Tovey, Frances Tovey, Lynn Tovey, Lyndon Whatley & Fran Oborski.

WEEKEND MASSES IN SURROUNDING PARISHES:

Ludlow: Sat 6 pm./Sun 11 am.

Cleobury: Sun 9 am.

Stourport: Sat 5:30 pm./Sun 10 am.

Stourbridge: Sat 5 pm./ Sun 8:30 am & 11 am.

Harvington: Sun 8:30 am. & 10:30 am.

Droitwich: Sun 8:30 am. 10:30 am & 6 pm.

Bromsgrove: Sat 6 pm. / Sun. 8:30 am & 10:30 am.