

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

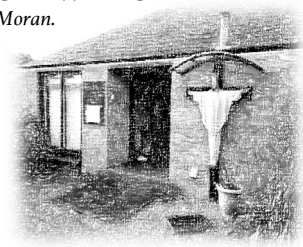
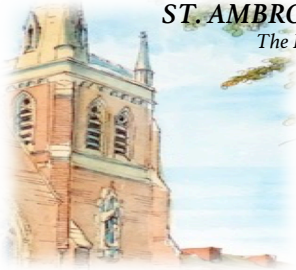
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**The FIFTH SUNDAY in LENT of
YEAR C**

**ONE BODY, ONE SPIRIT,
IN CHRIST.**

Psalter Week: I. Sunday, April 6th 2025

Preface II of Lent. Eucharistic Prayer II Acclamation III.

(at the 11 o' clock Mass; Reading, Gospel & Psalm of Year A)

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

MONDAY *Lent Feria with the Com. of St. John the Baptist de la Salle; 17th century Priest & Teacher.*
April 7th 8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 o' clock. Michela Butera RIP followed by Pro-Life Rosary
(11 o' clock. at Olton Friary; Funeral Mass of Fr. Dominic Innamorati RIP)

TUESDAY *Lent Feria*
April 8th 8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 o' clock. Harold Salter RIP

WEDNESDAY *Lent Feria*
April 9th 8:55 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9:30 am. (Whole School) Leo Kealey RIP
10:15 am. – 11:45 am. (School) Confessions
1:30 pm. – 3' o'clock. (School) Confessions

THURSDAY *Lent Feria.*
April 10th 8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 o' clock. Int. of Clare Conway
7:30 pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament concluded with The Office of Compline at 8:30 pm.

FRIDAY *Lent Feria.*
April 11th 8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 o' clock. Grace Evans RIP
1 o' clock. (Astwood Cemetery, Worcester) Burial of Patricia Wilkes RIP (Old Rite)
7 o' clock. The Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY *Lent Feria.*
April 12th 8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 o' clock. Shirley Noakes RIP followed by Rosary & Novena devotions

SUNDAY NEXT *Palm Sunday*
April 13th 9 o' clock. (Tenbury Wells) The People of the Parish
11 o' clock. Blessing of Palms, Procession & High Mass (In Thanksgiving – Kordiyani)
6 o' clock. The People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS THIS WEEK:

Wednesday: 6:30 pm. – 7 o' clock.

Friday after Morning Mass; 6:30 pm. – 7 o' clock.

Saturday 11:45 am. – 12:45 pm. At any other time by request.

TEAS & COFFEES after 11 o' clock Mass in the Adams Lounge next Sunday: Mrs. M. Cunliffe, Mrs. B. Martin & Mrs. C. Vass.

ADDITIONAL MINISTERS: 11 o' clock. Mr. M. Bradley 6 o' clock. Mr. L. Farmer.

READERS: 11 o' clock. Mr. P. Young. 6 o' clock. Mrs. M. Tavares.

CLEANING TEAM: 'Big Clean for Easter' – Saturday, April 12th

TENBURY: Additional minister: Mrs. M. Bowdler Reader: Mrs. A. Stanley

PARISH NECROLOGY: of your charity pray for the repose of the souls of Fr. Philip O' Reilly, priest in this parish 1966-1968); who died April 1st 2004; Sister Mary Modwena of Jesus PCC, who died April 5th 2005 & for Canon Peter Jones, priest at Habberley 1966-1998, who died April 10th 2016. May they rest in peace.

REST IN PEACE: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sister Cuthbert Mulligan, a Franciscan Missionary of the Divine Motherhood who spent a period of time at the Beda College during my years of study. She was a real 'mother' to us all. She died on March 25th at the age of 99 years.

WORCESTER DEANERY: the Clergy of the Worcester Deanery are to meet on Tuesday at Our Lady & St. Egwin's church in Evesham.

KIDDERMINSTER FRATERNAL: The Ministers of the Kidderminster Churches will meet on Wednesday at 12 noon at Elim Church in Aggborough.

PALM SUNDAY: Next Sunday, palms will be blessed in Tenbury Wells at 9 o' clock in the morning; and in the Rectory Garden at 11 o' clock in the morning. We shall follow our usual processional route to church for Mass immediately afterwards. Palms will be available for distribution at the 6 o' clock evening Mass

The UNION of CATHOLIC MOTHERS meet on Monday at 7:30 pm. in the Adams Lounge.

LENT MEETING: The final talk in this very successful series will be given in the Adams Lounge on Tuesday at 7 o' clock in the evening when MAGGIE WOLLOSHIN of our Tenbury Community will share her experience of working with Mother Teresa; helping a victim of clergy abuse; the spirituality of Lourdes and of accompanying her mother in the final months of her life. Everyone will be very welcome.

CHURCH DECORATION: Thanks to the faithful members of the decorating team who are making steady and noticeable progress. Please keep in touch with the WhatsApp group to discover what work is available, and the occasions when the team will be present in church. One or two very helpful suggestions have also been received and are being considered.

CHURCH CLEANING: The 'big clean' for Easter will take place on Saturday after morning Mass. We would be grateful to anyone who can come along to help, not just the regular cleaners. The 'A Team' is in need of a new member – we clean Wednesday mornings, every four weeks. The next date is April 23rd after Morning. if you'd like to help please just turn up. For more information contact Chris Vass on (01562) 630949 or 0752972521. The new Rota for church cleaning starting after Easter is now available from the back of the church.

ST. AMBROSE'S COMPANIONS: will be meeting on Thursday in The Adams Lounge at 12:30 pm. please bring a packed lunch. Tea and Coffee will be provided. If you are widowed or live alone you will be made very welcome.

EASTER TRIDUUM: The Ceremonies for Easter 2025 are as follows:

HOLY (MAUNDY) THURSDAY: 7:30 pm. Mass of the Lord's Supper, Office of Mandatum and Procession to the Altar of Repose. Watching until Midnight. The Vigil will end after the Office of Compline at 11:40 pm.

GOOD FRIDAY:
9 o' clock. Office of Readings & Morning Prayer
12 noon. Children's Service
3 o' clock. Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
7 pm. The Stations of the Cross

HOLY (LOW) SATURDAY:
9 o' clock. Office of Readings & Morning Prayer
8:30 pm. The EASTER VIGIL

EASTER SUNDAY: Masses at 9 (Tenbury Wells) & 11 o' clock (Kidderminster) in the morning.
There is NO EVENING MASS on Easter Sunday.

FOR THE FUTURE: We hope to continue growing our online presence and welcome input from all parishioners. Some suggestions so far include tracking school activities and publishing Father's homilies online. If you have ideas on how we can better share our faith and parish life—or if you'd like to get involved please email us at stambroseandsacredheart@gmail.com or come and speak to Cristiano, Miki (from Kidderminster) or Jude (from Tenbury Wells). To learn more please email us at stambroseandsacredheart@gmail.com. A large portion of our church's content will now be available on our YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/@ParishofStAmbroseSacredHeart>. Over the next few months, we'll be documenting special parish events, community gatherings, and moments of faith that bring us together. From reflections and prayers to celebrations, parish group activities and outreach, our channel along with our Facebook page managed by Miki will be a hub for staying connected and growing in faith as a community.

EASTER TRAIL ON HOLY SATURDAY: If any parishioners are prepared to volunteer as car parking stewards, clue stewards to narrate the clues, and /or receptionists, please notify Fr. Lamb.

ECUMENICAL GROUP MEETING: Isabel Vaughan-Spruce of 40 Days for Life will join our monthly meeting on Friday, May 2nd at 12:30 pm. Everyone is invited to attend.

A BAG of good quality MEN'S CLOTHES was left at the Rectory during the week. I would be pleased to hear what I am expected to do with it.

EASEL: I managed to obtain an easel in a charity shop on Monday, which will enable us to appreciate better our Icon which has been in St. Joseph's chapel until now. The easel needs to be stained, to match the rest of the woodwork in the church. There may be a parishioner who would like to take part in the church refurbishment, and who would find such a task congenial and manageable – if so, please let me know. Thank you.

The EASTER HUNT TRAIL White Wickets Park in Franche, 10:30 am. – 12 noon. Children under 11 years must be accompanied by an adult. Free of charge. If the weather is inclement the Hunt will be moved to Kidderminster Baptist Church, Franche Road, DY11 5BE.

PARISH FINANCES:

Offertory (loose): £266.89. (envelope) £214.90. Total: £481.79.

The Soup & Pudding Lunch raised £105.60 which was contributed to the Parish decoration effort.

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and all who have need of our prayers, especially: Joyce Berry, Trina Cole, Clare Conway, Olive Cooke, Alan Cunningham, Michael Dunne, Fr. Bruce Dutson, Madonna Endeley, Mary Fieldsend, Emilia Gissyng, Margaret Grimley, Lola Hartland, Kathleen Hegarty, Annie Holcroft, Margaret Holmes, Christine Hopkins Boban Joseph, George William Kawooya, Shirley Keogh, Joan Kinsella, Pam Lay, Francesca Lloyd, Arwen Lockley, Alycia Matthews, Sharon Matthews, Sheila Mikulicz, 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, Jim Thomas, Margaret Tillott, Jill Tombs, Christopher Tovey, Frances Tovey, Lynn Tovey, Lyndon Whatley, Fran Oborski, Michael Williams, Catherine Malcolmson-Priest, Ethel Thomas, Ren Edward Evans, Ian Page, Jan Richards.

WEEK-END MASSES IN SURROUNDING PARISHES:

Ludlow: Sat 6 pm./Sun 11 am. Cleobury Mortimer: 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 Spa: Sun 8:30 am. 10:30 am & 6 pm. Bromsgrove: Sat 6 pm. / Sun. 8:30 am & 10:30 am.

Parish Safeguarding: St Ambrose's: Peter Harler & Niall Doherty. Tenbury: Maggie Wolloshin.

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