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Twenty Sixth Sunday Year C Psalter Week 2 CTS Sunday Missal p 1065 Week ending: September 28th/29th 2013

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: Mon: St Jerome; Tues: St Therese of the Child Jesus; Wed: The Guardian Angels
Fri: St Francis of Assisi

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose's

Mon: 7.30 am John Weaver RIP
Tues: 8.30 am Intentions of Margaret Casey
Wed: 9.15 am Patsy McGowan (Anniv)
Thurs: 11.30 am Eileen Courtney RIP 7.30 pm Evening of Recollection. Compline and Benediction
Fri: 11.00 am Funeral KEVIN EVANS RIP NO EVENING DEVOTION (MASS AT TENBURY)
Sat: 9.00 am (Old Rite) Intentions of Christine & David Vass
5.45 pm Intentions of Mary Nangle
Sun: 9.30 am Majella McCarron RIP 7.30 pm Candlelight Rosary Procession

Our Lady's

Mon: 10.00 am Holy Communion (Prayer Group)
Fri: 9.00 – 9.45 am Adoration 10.00 am Molly Jones RIP
Sun: 5.00 pm Intentions of Jim Thomas

Sacred Heart

Fri: 7.00 pm Harvest Thanksgiving Mass & Supper (Canon John O'Reilly RIP)
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 & by request *Sacred Heart:* By request

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Altar Servers for morning Mass: Will Scott, Ciaran Kealey

Eucharistic Ministers

At Ambroses **Sat.** 5.45 pm C Hopkins, B McFarland, H Scott
Sun. 9.30 am (CMS) R Barber, M Bradley, C Duncombe, R Tovey
Our Lady's **Sun.** 5.00 pm M Bowdler, P Bowdler
Sacred Heart **Sun.** 11.30 am S Coates, J Moore

Readers

T Alexander
L Harler
K Nicholls, P Motteram
A Stanley

Church Cleaners (St Ambrose's): Team D **Offertory Counters:** Group 3

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Pope Benedict XVI, Dorothy Atwell, Albert and Elsie Barr, Peggy Baynton, Christina Bickley, Frank Bourke, Linda Button, Jackie Caine, Nigel Collier, Nora Collins, David Connolly, Rob Conway, Kitty Cooper, Elsie Corti, Rob Cotgrave, Jane Cox, Pam Cunningham, Eamonn Dalton, Joni Dunlea, Joe Egan, Vera Farley, Sr Maureen Fay, Victoria Fleming, Corinne Fox, Anthony Georgieff, Frances Graves, Shirley Hale, May Hampsey, Claire Hampton, Margaret Harley, Mary Harris, Christine & Tom Hopkins, Vicki Houghton, Keeley John, Jan Joyce, John Joyce, Ben Kelly, Marie Lane, Lynda Law, Felicity Librie, Audrey Little, Eleanor Lloyd, Bridget Locke, Arwen Lockley, Peter McQuillan, Fernanda and Michael Maffei, Marjorie Male, Lynne Marshall, Lee Maund, Sheila Mikulicz, Jean Mulligan, Kitty Murray, John Nangle, Andrew Neale, Delia Nepi, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Beatrice 'Myrtle' O'Mahoney, Daniel Oxenham, Joyce Parker, Mary Parker, Gordon Peyton, Chris Price, Pat Quinn, Janet Richards, Nancy Ruffinato, Sheila Rywacki, Harold Salter, Michael Shaughnessy, Rita Simmonds, Jonathan Slater, Cecil Smith, Pearl Stanley, Marie Stokes, Carmen Thomas, Jim Thomas, Jim Toomey, Vera Toman, Frances Tovey, Peter Towers, Patricia Virr, George Watkins, Eric Whittaker, Edith Wilkes, Monsignor Graham Wilkinson, May Williams and Rene Yates.

Entrance Antiphon: All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Response to the Psalm. My soul give praise to the Lord.

Gospel acclamation: Jesus Christ was rich, but He became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty.

Preface: VI of Sunday **Eucharistic Prayer: I** **Memorial Acclamation II**

Communion Antiphon: Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Welcome: We hope that we are welcoming many parishioners, friends and neighbours and others perhaps interested in us, in what we believe and how we worship. Everyone is very welcome and we hope that we shall be seen at our best here in the Church, in our Parish Hall and the various other sites where we are to be found.

Other visitors will be joining us at Our Lady's this evening, where the Mass will be offered by Fr Bruce Dutson, Parish Priest of Our Lady & St Kenelm, in Halesowen.

In both places there are displays by our many Parish Organisations, information about our Parish and some of the things we do and refreshments. Thanks to everyone who has worked hard to prepare for this OPEN DAY.

Funeral: The Funeral Mass for KEVIN EVANS is on Friday at 11 am, prior to burial in Wyre Forest Cemetery.

Anniversary: Monday is the Anniversary of the death in 1899 of Canon James McCave (Parish Priest 1870 – 1877). He became the Canon Penitentiary of the Diocese, and there is a plaque in his memory in the north aisle of St Chad's Cathedral.

October Flowers: A very generous donation has been given for flowers to be placed on the High Altar in memory of Lil & Bert Connolly, and members of their family. Thanks to the donors for this kind gesture of remembrance.

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

Our Lady of Ostra Brama: This afternoon, the Polish Community in Kidderminster is celebrating the Golden Jubilee of the building of the beautiful Church in Broadwaters. Fr Edward Sopala, the Polish Parish Priest, has been a good friend to our Deanery and to our Parish; we have always had a very warm relationship with our Polish parishioners & Fr Lamb has been asked to concelebrate Mass at 4 pm with Archbishop Sczepan Wesoly (from Rome) and many other Polish priests from the Midlands. He will take greetings and congratulations from our Parish.

Canon Owain Bell: This evening in St Mary's Kidderminster the farewell service for the Rector, Canon Owain Bell, will be taking place. If possible Fr Lamb will do his best to attend; in gratitude for the good relationship that we have always had with St Mary's during the past sixteen years. Please pray that his well deserved retirement will be fulfilling and content.

Craft Club: Tuesday at 7.30 pm. Come and join us for a friendly chat and enjoy a cup of coffee and see if what we do appeals to you.

Christ and His Church: Our programme of talks on the Catholic Faith will begin in the Montini Room on Tuesday 1st October at 7.45 pm. The lists of dates and titles of our meeting are available in our Churches. There may be friends, family members, neighbours who may wish to consider entering full communion with the Catholic Church; there may be parishioners who wish to learn more about their Faith. Please make these meetings as widely known as possible and please encourage prospective participants.

Bible Study: You are very welcome to join us for any of our fortnightly meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month 2 pm for 2.30 pm at the home of Teresa Alexander, 34 Aggborough Crescent, Kidderminster 741794. Next meeting 2nd October. Just bring a Sunday Missal or Bible.

Evening of Recollection: Next Thursday, the first in October, our Evening of Recollection will reflect on the MYSTERIES OF LIGHT, introduced by Pope John Paul II, and recommended to be said on Thursday. These mysteries direct us, says the Pope, to the Eucharist and we hope to explore this on Thursday. There will be an opportunity to go to Confession, for intercessory prayer, and we shall conclude with the Night Prayer of the Church, and Benediction.

School Harvest Thanksgiving: The School Harvest Thanksgiving Assembly will be in the School hall on Friday, October 4th at 2.45 pm.

Harvest Thanksgiving: Again this year, our Harvest Thanksgiving Mass will be at the **Sacred Heart Church, Tenbury** at 7 pm on Friday October 4th followed by our usual shared supper. Gifts of harvest produce will be auctioned for one of the Tenbury projects and everyone from our three communities is very welcome. Gifts of harvest produce may be left in the Rectory on Thursday or Friday and will be transported to Tenbury.

Your Music: Your Music concert at the Town Hall on Friday/Saturday 4th/5th October at 7.30 pm. All proceeds to local charities. Tickets: Hall £8, Balcony £10 both nights, from Joan Knowles, Carole Watkins and Shirley Keogh.

School Reunion: Saturday 5th October 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall. There is to be a school reunion of pupils from St Ambrose's and Hagley. Any ex-pupils of any age are welcome to attend, and any ex-staff too! There will be a chance to reminisce about school days and look at photos. A buffet will be provided and a raffle will be held on the night. For more information and intention to attend (for catering purposes) please contact Bob Phillips on 01299 879301 or 07989 628503.

Missa Cantata: There will be a Sung Mass in the Old Rite at 3 pm next Sunday, in St Mary's, Harvington.

Candlelight Rosary Procession: There will be a Candlelight Rosary Procession in the grounds of St Ambrose's on Sunday October 6th beginning in the Church at 7.30 pm. This is the eve of the Feast of the Holy Rosary.

Day of Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady's: The Day of Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady's will be on Tuesday October 8th beginning with Mass at 9.15 am and concluding with Devotions at 6 pm. Please indicate on the list provided if you are able to spend some time in prayer. This will help us to ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is not left unattended at any time during the day.

Confirmation Meeting: Our programme of preparation began last Tuesday, and so far we have 25 Candidates for Confirmation by the Archbishop on the Patronal Feast of St Ambrose, December 7th. The next meeting will be in the School Hall on Wednesday October 9th at 6.30 pm.

Strictly Come Singing: Saturday 12th October 9.30 – 3.30. For only £5, which includes lunch, come to a singing day with Ann Linstrum at Offmore Evangelical Church, Tennyson Way. For more details contact Margaret Tillott on K.751621.

Charity Lunch: 13th October 12 – 2 pm. The Friends of the Holy Land will repeat the successful (and filling) event of last year – a **Pie and a Pint** Sunday Lunch at St Ambrose's Hall in Kidderminster. We will provide the pie (tickets £6) – St Ambrose's Club bar will sell you the pint or a glass of wine (or other drinks of your choosing). Tickets will be on sale each Sunday at the back of the church commencing 29th September. **All** proceeds after deduction only of the cost of the pies will go directly to the Christians in Bethlehem and the Holy Land.

Street Pastors: Kidderminster Street Pastors scheme is approaching its first birthday but needs much more support. Could you help either as a Street Pastor or a Prayer Pastor? Or could you support us with a donation. You are invited to St Ambrose Parish Hall on Thursday 17th October to hear more about Street Pastors. Please give your support to this much needed outreach.

Finances:

- i. Thank you for the Offertory last week of £977.43 (Envelope Scheme £340.20; Loose £637.23)
- ii. An additional £36.88 has been contributed to the Catholic Evangelisation Fund.
- iii. So far, £73.88 has been contributed for Fr Hudson's Society.
- iv. Donations to CAFOD were £3.85
- v. Thanks to our Whist Players who have again been able to donate £100 to Parish Funds.

Borromeo Hall/Adams Lounge: available for functions of all kinds; parties, receptions etc. Please contact Mary Preston (07513 295817) or Margaret Blizard (07742 730680).

Every Friday: Folk music in the Adams Lounge with visiting musicians/singers and instrumentalists. Free admission 8pm-late.