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Sunday, January 18th 2026

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

(YEAR A)

ONE BODY,

ONE SPIRIT,

IN CHRIST.

Psalter Week II.

Preface & Eucharistic Prayer IV.

Acclamation II.

TIMES of HOLY MASS, FEAST DAYS & INTENTIONS

MONDAY

January 19th

Feast of St. Wulstan, Benedictine monk & Bishop of Worcester.

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer.

9 am. Holy Souls *followed by Pro-Life Rosary.*

TUESDAY

January 20th

Memorial of Ss. Fabian & Sebastian, Roman Martyrs of the Third Century.

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer.

9 am. Int. of Margaret Sheridan.

WEDNESDAY

January 21st

Memorial of St. Agnes, Virgin Martyr of the early Fourth Century.

8:55 am. Office of Morning Prayer.

9:15 am. Intentions of Ann Harris.

THURSDAY

January 22nd

Memorial of St. Vincent.

8:50 am. (Winterfold House School) pre-Confirmation Confessions.

11:15 am. Office of Morning Prayer.

11:30 am. Pam O' Sullivan RIP.

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

FRIDAY

January 23rd

Memorial of St. Nicholas Owen, Jesuit Carpenter & Martyr of the Reformation.

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer.

9 am. Czeslaw Glowacki (Anniv.)

SATURDAY

January 24th

Memorial of St. Francis de Sales.

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer.

9 am. Int. of Jennifer Bush *followed by Rosary & Novena devotions.*

SUNDAY NEXT is the Third Sunday of the Year.

January 25th

9 am. (Tenbury Wells) Int. of Henry Bickford.

11 am. Jerzy Smardz (Anniv.)

6 pm. The People of the Parish.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 11:45 am. – 12:45 pm. & at any other time by request.

TEAS & COFFEES after 11 am. Mass in the Adams Lounge next Sunday: (New rota forthcoming.)

ADDITIONAL MINISTERS: 11 am. N. Doherty. 6 pm. L. Adams.

READERS: 11 am. P. Young. 6 pm. M. Hackett.

CLEANING TEAM: A. (Wednesday morning)

TENBURY: Additional minister: M. Harper.

Reader: C. Stanley.

AT A GLANCE:

- KNIT & NATTER

- DECORATORS

- FINANCE COMMITTEE

- BAPTISM PREPARATION

- SOUP & PUDDING LUNCH

- MONTINI GROUP

- MASS FOR THE SICK

- SHROVETIDE QUIZ NIGHT

Tuesday, 2 pm – 4 pm in the Borromeo Hall.

Tuesday 7 pm in the church.

Tuesday at 7:30 pm in the Rectory.

Wednesday at 7:30 pm in the Adams Lounge.

Sunday, January 25th at 12 noon in the Borromeo Hall.

Wednesday, January 28th at 4:30 pm in the Adams Lounge.

Saturday, February 14th in the church with lunch to follow.

February 17th in the Adams Lounge at 7 pm.

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES: Of thy charity pray for the repose of the soul of Sister Breda Murphy, former Head Mistress of St. Ambrose's School (1965 – 1988), who departed this life on January 19th 2020; and for Sister Mary of Dolours Cronin; Infant Mistress 1929-1955, who died January 23rd 1985. May they rest in peace.

REST IN PEACE: We continue to pray for Johnny MURRIHY as we prepare for his Funeral on January 28th. Brian TAYLOR's Funeral has been arranged to take place in St. Michael's at Stourport-on-Severn on Thursday, January 29th at 3:30 pm prior to Cremation at Wyre Forest Crematorium. Irka PARKES, of Spindle Close, died on January 4th. Her Funeral is on January 30th, with her burial afterwards in Kidderminster Cemetery. As previously announced the Funeral of Cavan GILCHREEST is at Stourbridge Crematorium on February 2nd. The Funeral Mass for Keith WEAVER is on Monday, January 26th at 2:15 pm.

A NOTE ON PARKING: Please be aware that there will be on-going maintenance work on St. Ambrose's Parish & School car park over the coming weeks. The car park itself will NOT be closed entirely, but please note that spaces may be limited by construction work.

CONGRATULATIONS: To Solomon EWING, who is to receive his Bronze Medal of the Guild of St. Stephen for Altar Servers after his first full year of faithful and competent serving in the Sanctuary.

KNIT & NATTER: Meet on Tuesday in the Borromeo Hall (See 'At a Glance') from 2 pm – 4 pm. We meet on the First & the Third Tuesday of each month. Everyone is welcome to join us. We made the Nativity set displayed in St. Joseph's Chapel over Christmas, which the children loved. Any new type of handicraft would be much appreciated, or you can just drop in and relax over a cup of tea and a chat.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Members are reminded of the meeting on Tuesday at 7:30 pm. in the Rectory. (See 'At a Glance')

MONTINI GROUP: We shall meet in the Adams Lounge on Wednesday, January 28th at 4:30 pm. and our discussion subject is to be 'ASSISTED DYING – OR ASSISTED SUICIDE?' During this past week we had an excellent discussion on celibacy, and everyone is welcome to join this lively, informative and enjoyable meeting. (See 'At a Glance')

SOUP & PUDDING LUNCH: (See 'At a Glance') The next Soup & Pudding Lunch will be on Sunday, January 25th after the 11 am. Mass in the Borromeo Hall. Anyone wishing to contribute either a home-made soup or a home-made pudding of any kind would be warmly invited to do so. This event is now a very popular Parish staple and we hope it will be well supported.

DECORATION: (See 'At a Glance') Now that the Christmas festive decorations have been removed we are able to see just what a transformation our church has undergone. There are still some things to be completed – especially in the Piety Cupboard and the proposed Chapel of St. Pius X. There will be a meeting, called by the Revd. Charles Duncombe, of Volunteers who are willing and able help on Tuesday at 7 pm. in the church. There is no high-level work, mainly painting and preparation. There is some carpentry still to be finished, and some plastering in the Sacristy corridor. Please let us try to complete this work before Lent begins.

200 CLUB: We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who has either renewed their membership or has joined for the first time. It is not too late to renew, join or take out extra numbers in the 200 Club, don't forget that all monies raised go to help the Parish. The monthly prizes are £75, £50 and £25 along with the Big Christmas Draw with prizes of £400, £200 and £100. Please consider paying by standing order, it's easy to do and it saves relying on memory each year. New members to the 200 Club will always be welcome, just fill in the form at the back of church and put on the collection plate or hand in to the Rectory. Any queries please contact Martin Grovenor using the details on the application forms.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION MEETING: Relevant parties please note that there will be a preparatory meeting on the Sacrament of Baptism, convened by Deacon Rev Charles Duncombe, in the Adams Lounge at 7:30 pm on Wednesday. (See 'At a Glance')

MASS FOR THE SICK with the SACRAMENT of ANOINTING: (See 'At a Glance') To celebrate the World Day of Prayer for the Sick, there will be a Mass on Saturday, February 14th with the Sacrament of Anointing. This will be at 12 noon in St. Ambrose's. Please make this known as widely as possible, and try to ensure that anyone who wishes to receive this Sacrament has the opportunity to attend. Please also be generous in offering transport to and from our church. There will be a Buffet Lunch afterwards in the Adams Lounge.

SHROVETIDE: On Shrove Tuesday, February 17th in the Adams Lounge at 7 pm. there will be a **QUIZ NIGHT** with pancakes and the burning of palms in preparation for the following day. It will be good if all parish groups would form teams (of 4 members) and other groups of parishioners also. It is intended as a social gathering (£4 per team) to bring together as many of us as possible. We may also have a raffle, but it is the coming together which is most important. (See 'At a Glance')

LENT: On four Tuesday evenings during Lent there will be the Office of Vespers / Evening Prayer in church at 7 pm. at which there will be a slight variation in our *JOURNEYS of FAITH* series. We are compiling the programme at present, with Guest Speakers, and I hope further details will be available next week. There will be light refreshments in the Adams Lounge afterwards.

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and all who have need of our prayers, especially: Ann Allsopp, Trina Cole, Clare Conway, Olive Cooke, Alan Cunningham, Charlotte Doohan, Michael Dunne, Fr. Bruce Dutton, Ren Edward Evans, Madonna Endeley, Mary Fieldsend, Emilia Gissyn, Margaret Grimley, Lola Hartland, Kathleen Hegarty, Annie Holcroft, Margaret Holmes, Christine Hopkins, Shirley Keogh, Joan Kinsella, Pam Lay, Francesca Lloyd, Arwen Lockley, Catherine Malcolmson-Priest, James McCarthy, Barry McManmon, Sheila Mikulicz, John Nangle, Brigid Nestor, William Nixon, Fran Oborski, Ian Page, Bridget Power, Veronica Pugh, Amanda Rattigan, Sarah Rejman-Greene, Jan Richards, Jackie Sands, Thomas Smith, Anthea Speers, Liz Steadman, Ray Stride, Ethel Thomas, Jim Thomas, Margaret Tillott, Jill Tombs, Christopher Tovey, Lynn Tovey, Lyndon Whatley, Michael Williams, Michele Butera, Margaret Strangward, Jennifer Bush, Yvonne Pathe, Alberto Maffei, Sarah Ballentine.

WEEK-END MASS TIMES IN SURROUNDING PARISHES:

Ludlow: Sat 6 pm./Sun 11 am.	Stourport: Sat 5:30 pm. & Sun 10 am.	Harvington: Sun 8:30 am. & 10:30 am.	Bromsgrove: Sat 6 pm. / Sun. 8:30 am & 10:30 am.
Cleobury Mortimer: Sun 9 am.	Stourbridge: Sat 5 pm./ Sun 8:30 am. & 11 am.	Droitwich Spa: Sun 8:30 am. 10:30 am & 6 pm.	Warndon (Worcester): Sun. 5 pm.

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