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Sunday, March 8th 2026

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT (A)

ONE BODY,

ONE SPIRIT,

IN CHRIST.

Psalter Week III.

Preface for the Third Sunday in Lent.

Eucharistic Prayer II.

Acclamation II.

TIMES of HOLY MASS, FEAST DAYS & INTENTIONS

MONDAY Lent Feria. (Commemoration of St. Frances of Rome; 15th century married woman & Benedictine Oblate)

March 9th 8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 am. John Stubbins (Anniv.) *followed by Pro-Life Rosary*

TUESDAY Lent Feria.

March 10th 8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 am. Int. of Helen Taylor
7 pm. Office of Vespers / Evening Prayer

WEDNESDAY Lent Feria.

March 11th 8:55 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9:15 am. Int. of Paul, Jacqueline & Thomas Weaver

THURSDAY Lent Feria.

March 12th 8:50 am. (Winterfold House School) Fr. Christopher Thornton (Anniv.)
11:15 am. Office of Morning Prayer
11:30 am. John Kerrigan (Anniv.)
7:30 pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Office of Compline at 8:30 pm

FRIDAY Lent Feria.

March 13th 8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 am. Thanksgiving (Golden Wedding anniversary - Vessey)
10:30 am. (Tenbury Wells) The Stations of the Cross
7 pm. The Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY Lent Feria.

March 14th 8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 am. Ethel Thomas RIP *followed by Rosary & Novena Devotions*

SUNDAY NEXT is the Fourth Sunday in Lent.

March 15th 9 am. (Tenbury Wells) Joseph Torri & Peter Wells RIP
11 am. John Power (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: J & P Harler, A. Colclough, J. Walker.

ADDITIONAL MINISTERS: 11 am. C. Vass 6 pm. L. Whatley

READERS: 11 am. C. Villa 6 pm. D. Gillett

CLEANING TEAM: D (Friday morning)

TENBURY: Additional minister: M. Harper Reader: M. Wollashin

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES: Of thy charity pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. Christopher Thornton, Founder Priest at Habberley from 1983-1988, who departed this life March 11th 2005. May he rest in peace.

FUNERALS: Please pray for Freda MAMCZASZ (March 16th at 11 am.) and for Steve CAPPELLA (March 30th at 11 am.) The Funeral of Pat NORRIS will be on March 19th at 2:30 pm. at St. Wulstan's, Stourport-on-Severn. We are awaiting details for the Funeral of Clare CONWAY RIP.

WHITE FLOWER COLLECTION (SPUC): Next Sunday we will make the long-delayed WHITE FLOWER Collection to help SPUC in their work defending human life from conception to natural death.

AT A GLANCE:

- AGM of the UCM Monday at 7:30 pm. in the Adams Lounge.
- LENT EVENING PRAYER (3) Tuesday in the church at 7 pm.
- FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (PARENTS MEETING) Wednesday in the Adams Lounge at 6 pm.
- CATHOLIC MEN'S SOCIETY* Wednesday in the Wheatley Room at 7:30 pm.
- IRISH CHARITY CONCERT Saturday in the Parish Hall at 7:30 pm.
- LENT EVENING PRAYER (4) Tuesday, March 17th in the church at 7 pm.
- DAY of RECOLLECTION Wednesday, March 25th (Tenbury Wells) 11 am. – 3:15 pm.

WORCESTER DEANERY: The clergy of the Worcester Deanery will meet on Tuesday at St. George's, Worcester.

AS OTHERS SEE US: During the Office of Vespers / Evening Prayer at 7 pm. on Tuesday, Canon Robert JONES, former Archdeacon of Worcester, will speak from the perspective of an Anglican priest about his experience of the Catholic Church. There will be an opportunity to meet and talk with Canon Jones in the Adams Lounge afterwards.

FULL COMMUNION: At the Easter Vigil, Mia BILES and Alec STEWART will be Confirmed and received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. To-day, we celebrate with them the FIRST SCRUTINY when, as a Parish, we pray for them (Mia at 11 am.; Alec at 6 pm.) as they prepare. At the Easter Vigil, Lily EVANS-GRIFFIN will be Baptised in preparation for her First Holy Communion in June. Please pray for all of them at this significant time.

PARISH CENTRE GARDEN: Mary & Mick Preston would like to appeal for anyone with carpentry or general handy-man skills to repair and restore the wooden tables & benches in the Parish Centre Garden. Please see either Mick or Mary in the Parish Hall.

UNION of CATHOLIC MOTHERS: The AGM of the UCM will take place on Monday at 7:30 pm. in the Adams Lounge. It is hoped all members will be able to attend, and we well warmly welcome any ladies who wish to come along and find out more about the UCM.

*CMS: The next meeting of the CMS is on Wednesday, the topic is Prayers of wonderful forgiveness. The Wheatley room is where the meeting will take place at 7.30pm, as usual please read beforehand. All men of the parish are welcome, tea and biscuits provided.

*Please note this meeting has been rescheduled from the previous week, and will take place this coming Wednesday.

IRISH CHARITY CONCERT in AID of KEMP HOSPICE and MACMILLAN: In St Ambrose Parish Hall, Birmingham Road, Kidderminster, DY102BY. On Saturday at 7.30 pm. – 11 pm A celebration of Irish music, song and dance. There will be a Raffle during the evening for a range of exciting prizes! (Donation of Raffle prizes is requested!) Teas, coffee, sandwiches, rolls available to purchase! Admission Adults £10.00 Children under 16 £5.00 Bring your own drinks! Tickets available from Charlie Villa 07759629938 Sinead Maffei 07980846301 and Mary Preston 07513 295817.

STATIONS of the CROSS: There will be Stations of the Cross on the Fridays in Lent at Tenbury Wells at 10:30 am. & St. Ambrose's at 7 pm.

CATENIAN BURSARY FUND: Charlie Villa will give a pulpit address on behalf of the Catenian Bursary Fund after the Catenian Mass for Vocations at 11 am. Mass on Sunday, March 22nd 2026.

BIRMINGHAM BACH CHOIR: SACRED MUSIC: Birmingham's St Chad's Cathedral hosts a special concert featuring Birmingham Bach Choir on Saturday March 14th 2026. These choral masterpieces will be accompanied by complementary readings by His Grace, the Archbishop of Birmingham, Bernard Longley. Tickets are now on sale: £22: £18 concessions: £12 Students (+ booking fees)

SOUP & PUDDING: The next Soup & Pudding is March 29th. All bingo prize donations are very welcome.

NATIONAL MEN'S PRO-LIFE CONFERENCE: Calling men of all ages and states of life: book your place at 'Commissioned', the National Men's Pro-life Conference, on April 18th at Birmingham Christian College. For more info including speakers or to book your place go to marchforlife.co.uk/commissioned-pro-life-mens-conference or contact info@marchforlife.co.uk

THE FRENCH CONNECTION: At the TOWN HALL on Saturday, March 28th at 7:30 pm. the Kidderminster Choral Society will give a performance of the beautiful *Requiem* by Gabriel Fauré, and the *Messe Solennelle* by Vierne; we are familiar with the *Agnus Dei*, which we sing at Mass here, in the arrangement by our Director of Music, Dr. Matthew Johnson. Please see poster for details and bookings.

MITES: A huge 'Thank you' to parishioners for £70, sent to ACN's Red Wednesday Appeal, a fund for the truly desperate. ACN will match our donation so £140 has been raised for emergencies which arise frequently where Christians are persecuted and natural disasters occur. – Jennifer Bush.

200 CLUB: Following the recent Draw at Tenbury Wells, the lucky winners for February 2026 are:

First	£75	No. 139.	Mrs A. Houston.
Second	£50	No. 60.	Mrs. A. Harris.
Third	£25	No. 5.	Mrs. N. Darbyshire.

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and all who have need of our prayers, especially: Ann Allsopp, Trina Cole, 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, Bill & Christine Hopkins, Shirley Keogh, Joan Kinsella, Pam Lay, Francesca Lloyd, Arwen Lockley, Catherine Malcolmson-Priest, James McCarthy, 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, 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, Ian Postlethwaite, Mollie Long.

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.

This Parish operates in accordance with 'Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures' at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Peter Harler, Niall Doherty & Maggie Wolloshin (Tenbury Wells). They can be contacted at: sg.stambrose.kidderminster@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the 'Diocesan Safeguarding team' can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns. This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No: 234216.