

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

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Sunday, May 17th 2026

The Seventh Sunday of Easter (A)

ONE BODY,

ONE SPIRIT,

IN CHRIST.

Psalter Week III.

Preface of Easter II.

Eucharistic Prayer I.

Acclamation III.

TIMES of HOLY MASS, FEAST DAYS & INTENTIONS

MONDAY

Easter Feria.

May 18th

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Bishop Christopher Jones (Anniv.) *followed by the Holy Rosary for Pro-Life Causes.*

TUESDAY

Memorial of St. Dunstan, 10th century Bishop of Worcester, London & Canterbury. A very zealous pastor.

May 19th

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Clare Conway RIP

WEDNESDAY

Memorial of St. Bernardine of Siena. He had great devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus.

May 20th

8:55 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9:15 am. Intentions of Teresa Hart

2:15 pm. School May Procession

THURSDAY

Easter Feria.

May 21st

11:15 am. Office of Morning Prayer

11:30 am. In Thanksgiving

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

FRIDAY

Easter Feria.

May 22nd

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Private Intention

12 noon. **Funeral Mass: Shirley Keogh RIP**

SATURDAY

Easter Feria.

May 23rd

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer.

9 am. Fr. Bernard O' Dea (Anniv.) *followed by the Holy Rosary & Novena Devotions.*

SUNDAY NEXT is *The Solemnity of Pentecost / Whitsun*

May 24th

9 am. (Tenbury Wells) Fr. Steve Tarpey (Anniv.)

11 am. The People of the Parish

6 pm. For Vocations

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

TEAS & COFFEES after 11 am. Mass in the Adams Lounge next Sunday: A. Harris, J. Knowles & D. Brown.

ADDITIONAL MINISTERS: 11 am. M. Roy 6 pm. A. Nicholls

READERS: 11 am. M. Weaver 6 pm. C. D' Angelo.

CLEANING TEAM: D (Friday morning)

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

REST in PEACE: We continue to pray for Nuala Thompson (Funeral May 28th), and for all the Faithful Departed. Mary THORNTON died on May 6th & her Funeral will be on May 29th. Please pray, also, for Pauline SAMWAYS, sister of Christine Hopkins, who has died after a long illness. Please also remember in your prayers Edward PUPEL RIP this Thursday. May they rest in peace.

PROCESSION in HONOUR of OUR LADY: We begin in church to-day at 4 pm. The Procession will conclude with the Crowning of the statue of Our Lady in the Rectory garden. Joan KNOWLES has kindly consented to crown the statue on behalf of the whole Parish. Followed by tea in the Adams Lounge and Rectory Garden.

+ AT A GLANCE +

- MAY PROCESSION (PARISH)
- KNIT & NATTER
- FINANCE COMMITTEE
- MAY PROCESSION (SCHOOL)
- PIZZA & PUDDING
- BISHOP DAVID EVANS
- PARISH BARBEQUE

To-day at 4 pm. Church & Garden.
Tuesday in the Borromeo Hall 2 pm - 4 pm.
Tuesday in the Rectory at 7:30 pm.
Wednesday in the School at 2:15 pm.
Sunday, May 31st in the Adams Lounge.
Saturday, June 13th Sacred Heart, Tenbury at 12 noon.
Saturday, June 20th in the Rectory Garden.

THANKS (I): It is good that very few, if any, left before the end of Mass last week. Thank-you for waiting until the Deacon announced the Dismissal.

THANKS (II): To a number of parishioners who have responded to the recent information on Diocesan Compliance Demands, and for the photocopier with very generous donations to help cover these costs.

PARISH CONSULTATION: We had a lively and helpful meeting on Tuesday, looking ahead to the time when a 'cluster' of Parishes will be formed, and we considered some of the likely consequences. The most significant observation, repeated several times, is that there will be a different kind of ministry and that we must all be ready to play our part. It is hoped that everyone is well aware that things will not continue exactly as they are now and we must prepare to adapt to whatever is put in place. Matthew Nicholls very kindly compiled the notes from the meeting which are attached to the newsletter this week. Please be sure to read them carefully.

KNIT & NATTER: Meet on Tuesday in the Borromeo Hall from 2 pm. - 4 pm. We meet on the First and Third Tuesdays of the month. Everyone is welcome to join us. Any new type of handicraft would be much appreciated. Or just drop in and relax over a cup of tea and a chat.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Will next meet in the Rectory on Tuesday at 7:30 pm.

PIZZA & PUDDING: The next Pizza & Pudding (our Summertime iteration of the ever-popular Soup & Pudding) will be on Sunday, May 31st after morning Mass in the Parish Hall. We welcome all contributions.

CHANGE of DATE: The meeting of the Montini Group will now take place in the Adams Lounge on Wednesday, June 3rd at 4:30 pm.

PARISH VISIT: Last year, Fr. NENAD of the *Serbian Orthodox Church of the Holy Prince Lazar* came to speak to us in one of our Sharing Faith meetings. He has agreed to welcome a visit from our parish, and we have arranged to go there - the Church of the Holy Prince Lazar in Bournville, on **Tuesday, June 9th**. He will shew us his church (which is absolutely splendid and spectacular); he and his Cantors will sing some Orthodox chants, and he will provide tea, coffee and cakes in the Hall afterwards. We would need to leave here by 6:15 pm. A list is in both churches, and we ask intending participants to sign up as early as possible. If car drivers can indicate a number of spare seats that may be available, it will save us the expense of booking a coach. **Names, please, by Monday at the latest.**

PARISH BBQ: The Parish Barbeque this year will be held on Saturday June 20th, the price will be held the same as last year: £10 for adults and £5 for children under 15yrs, hopefully this will encourage more people to attend and make it a really good social event. The list for names and numbers will be at the back of the church the last week of the month. All proceeds from this event will go towards the Church Maintenance Fund.

THE SISTERS of ST. PETER CLAVER: Wish to express their profound thanks to the Parish for our contribution of £409.88 toward their work.

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 Dutson, Ren Edward Evans, Madonna Endeley, Mary Fieldsend, Emilia Gissyn, Margaret Grimley, Lola Hartland, Kathleen Hegarty, Annie Holcroft, Margaret Holmes, Bill & Christine Hopkins, 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, 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, Philomena Murrhy, Christianne Flavin, Howard Eeles.

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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