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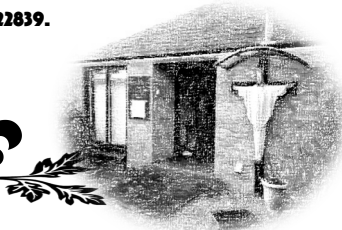
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Parish Priest: Canon Douglas Lamb.

Deacons: Revd. Adam Nicholls. & Revd. Charles Duncombe.

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Sunday, September 6th 2026

The Twenty-Third Sunday of the Year (A)

ONE BODY,

ONE SPIRIT,

IN CHRIST.

Psalter Week III

Preface of Sunday III

Eucharistic Prayer II

Acclamation I

TIMES of HOLY MASS, FEAST DAYS & INTENTIONS

MONDAY

September 7th

Feria

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Anthony Murrilhy followed by recitation of the Holy Rosary for Pro-Life Causes

12:30 pm. (Oscott College) Deceased of the Gaffrey family

TUESDAY

September 8th

The Feast of the Nativity of Our Lady

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Joan Battye RIP

WEDNESDAY

September 9th

Feria

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Roy Robinson (Anniv.)

THURSDAY

September 10th

Memorial of St. Egwin, 8th century Bishop of Worcester, founder of Evesham Abbey

8:50 am. (Winterfold House School) Sr. Margaret Bergin (Anniv.)

11:15 am. Office of Morning Prayer

11:30 am. Graham Garrett RIP

7 pm. Recollection for Readers

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

FRIDAY

September 11th

Feria

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Teresa Homes (Anniv.)

SATURDAY

September 12th

Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Mary

8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer

9 am. Fr. Michael Geaney (Anniv.) followed by Rosary & Novena Devotions

12:45 pm. Baptism: Ivy Rose Vessey

SUNDAY NEXT is The Twenty-Fourth Sunday of the Year (A)

September 13th

9 am. (Tenbury) Kevin Gorman (Anniv.)

11 am. The People of the Parish

6 pm. In Thanksgiving (Janina)

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 11:45 am. – 12:45 pm.; and at any other 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. T. Hart

6pm. J. Kuruvilla

READERS:

11 am. F. Smardz

6 pm. N. Awolola

CLEANING TEAM:

D (Friday morning)

TENBURY:

Additional minister: M. Harper

Reader: A. Stanley

+ AT A GLANCE +

- Union of Catholic Mothers

- Baby & Toddler Group

- Evening of Recollection (Readers)

- Evening of Recollection (Additional Ministers)

- Harvington Hall Parish Visit (Revd. C. Duncombe)

- Macmillan Coffee Morning

Monday in the Adams Lounge 7:30 pm.

Wednesday in the Parish Hall 9 am. – 11 am.

Thursday, September 10th from 7 pm.

Thursday, September 24th from 7 pm.

Friday, September 25th from 10 am.

Sunday, September 27th after morning Mass.

NECROLOGY: Of thy charity pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. William Bernard O' Dowd, Priest of this Parish 1908-1913; who departed this life September 11th 1920. May he rest in peace.

RECTORY TELEPHONES: The telephone system in the Rectory family collapsed last week-end. Thanks to the good offices of Ross Mitchell (of Winterfold House School), a new system has now been installed, and I have almost worked out how to use it. We apologise for any inconvenience to parishioners, especially to those using the answerphone service.

ST. AMBROSE'S SCHOOL: Our School re-opened on Thursday with a new Executive Principal, Mrs. Louise Berry, who is Head Mistress of St. Joseph's School in Warndon. She will also be responsible for St. Wulstan's, Stourport on Severn. Please pray for her as she takes up this new and challenging appointment.

ALTAR SERVERS: Congratulations to Criz BABU, Paolo BONIFACIO, Jonas EWING and Delight MADZOKERE who are receiving the Bronze Medal of the Guild of St. Stephen for Altar Servers.

UNION of CATHOLIC MOTHERS: Meetings will resume on Monday at 7:30 am in the Adams Lounge. The meetings are open to all ladies, regardless of age or marital status. ***Despite its name, the UCM is not restricted to those who are mothers!*** We are a warm and friendly group who combine spiritual, social and fundraising activities. Any lady interested in finding out more about the UCM will be made most welcome and will not be under any obligation to join.

MONTINI A.B.C.: We had a very encouraging meeting on Wednesday, and it was decided to merge our MONTINI GROUP with the Faith Sharing A.B.C. Group (About Being Catholic / About Becoming Catholic). The group will meet regularly in the Adams Lounge on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm. and use the study book APOLOGIA by Fr. Marcus Holden & Fr. Matthew Pinsent published by the Catholic Truth Society. It was stressed that the MONTINI ABC GROUP is **open to everyone** - practising members of the Parish, those wishing to refresh their knowledge of Catholic teaching, and those who are interested in the Catholic Faith and who may even wish to consider entering into Full Communion. The first meeting will be on September 30th and a full programme will be published next week.

BAPTISM: Congratulations to the family of IVY ROSE VESSEY, who is to be baptised next Saturday.

DEANERY: The clergy of the Kidderminster Deanery will meet on Tuesday at Our Lady & St. Joseph Parish in Alcester.

BABY AND TODDLER GROUP: Will start back on Wednesday September 9th from 9 am. - 11 am. In the Parish Hall. This group is suitable for babies up to pre-school age. Please come and join us.

READERS & ADDITIONAL MINISTERS: All Readers are invited to attend an Evening of Recollection on Thursday, from 7 pm; and all Additional Ministers are invited to an Evening of Recollection on Thursday, September 25th from 7 pm. Both meetings will be in the church and will include some points of direction to standardise and improve our present practice, and to provide an opportunity for reflection in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament (from 7:30 pm.) concluding with the Office of Compline at 8:30 pm. I do ask for full attendance at these evenings, which will be part of our usual Thursday evening devotions.

HARVINGTON HALL VISIT: The Revd. Charles Duncombe will lead a Guided Tour Visit to Harvington Hall on Friday, September 25th (10 am. for a 10:15 am. start). The cost is £12. Please sign the list at the back of the church.

BELMONT ABBEY: The Monks of Belmont Abbey invite young men seeking to discern God's Will in their lives, to experience a week-end of peaceful prayer and reflection, exploring the Benedictine way of following God's Call. Friday, September 18th - Sunday, September 20th. For details contact Fr. Andrew at bandrew@belmont.org.uk

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING: This will take place after Mass on Sunday, September 27th and this year there will be a Tombola in place of the usual Raffle. Donations for the Tombola may be left in the Rectory, marked FAO of Ann HARRIS, or MACMILLAN. Please let us work together to make this event its usual great success.

ASSISTED DYING BILL RETURNS: The Assisted Dying Bill will return to the House of Commons in the coming months as a new Private Members Bill. The same threat to the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death remains. ***Please take a postcard from the back of the church, provided on behalf of the disability charity Not Dead Yet, and send it to our local Member of Parliament Mr. Mark GARNIER, encouraging him strongly to oppose the motion.***

FAITH AT WORK IN WORCESTERSHIRE: Have you ever had a bad day at work? Or have you been at work and your mind is troubled by issues that may not be due to work, for example financial worries or concern about a relationship or a loved one's health or activities? Isn't it good if you can have a conversation with someone who listens and offers some thoughts that may help and will keep what you have said confidential. Workplace chaplains do just that. Faith at Work in Worcestershire (FWW) is an ecumenical charity, that has chaplains recruited from Christians who are empathetic and would like to put their faith into practice outside their church. Our chaplains are very diverse, male and female and of all ages and backgrounds. We provide training which can be done online or in groups. They then may join an existing team and visit the businesses in their area or start a new group. Chaplains may find they visit a business and spend most, sometimes all of a visit talking to people about usual conversation topics like the weather or things in the news, like the World Cup. Chaplains will talk to people of all faiths and none and will find not everyone will want to talk to them. Demand for chaplaincy is increasing and FWW is in need of new recruits. Chaplains are not expected to act like social workers, but like a trusted friend. If you would like to know more, without obligation, contact CHRIS HARVEY via the Rectory.

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

1st £75 No.3 Mrs M. Bowdler, 2nd £50 No. 211 Mr. T. Hopkins, 3rd £25 No. 76 Mrs E Grazier.

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 Murrihy, Christianne Flavin, Howard Eeles, Libby Atkins, Anne Eeles, Maria Cosenza, Sharon Collins, Frances Graves, Heather Bearn, Margaret Norris, Daphne Rollings.

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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