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Sunday, November 8th 2026

Thirty-Second Sunday of the Year (A) / Remembrance Sunday

ONE BODY, ONE SPIRIT, IN CHRIST.

Psalter Week IV | Preface: 11 am. IV of Christian Death, 6 pm. Preface of Sundays II | Eucharistic Prayer III | Acclamation I

TIMES of HOLY MASS, FEAST DAYS & INTENTIONS

MONDAY — **FEAST of the DEDICATION of the LATERAN BASILICA**
November 9th
8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 am. Maura Furlong RIP *followed by recitation of the Holy Rosary for Pro-Life Causes.*

TUESDAY — **MEMORIA of POPE ST. LEO the GREAT, 5th century Pope & Doctor of the Church**
November 10th
8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 am. In Thanksgiving
11 am. (Sacred Heart, Droitwich Spa) Deanery Requiem Mass

WEDNESDAY — **MEMORIA of ST. MARTIN of TOURS, 4th century soldier, Bishop & the first non-martyr saint. / Remembrance Day**
November 11th
8:55 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9: 30 am. (Whole School) Remembrance Day Mass (Holy Souls)
7:30 pm. Decd. Brothers of the Catholic Men's Society

THURSDAY — **MEMORIA of St. JOSAPHAT, 16th century Ukrainian Bishop who worked for unity with Eastern European Christians**
November 12th
8:50 am. (Winterfold House School) Remembrance Mass
11:15 am. Office of Morning Prayer
11:30 am. Pat & Frank Quinn RIP
7:30 pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament concluding with Office of Compline at 8:30 pm.

FRIDAY — **FERIA**
November 13th
8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 am. Sister Ignatius Foley (Anniv.)

SATURDAY — **OUR LADY**
November 14th
8:45 am. Office of Morning Prayer
9 am. John & Rita Kerrigan RIP *followed by Rosary & Novena Devotions*
11 am. (Birmingham Oratory) St. Philip's Grammar School Old Boys Requiem

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SUNDAY NEXT *is* ***The THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY of the Year***
November 15th
9 am. (Sacred Heart) The People of the Parish
11 am. Int. of Bernie Galvin (Catenian Association)
6 pm. In Reparation

CONFESSIONS: NO MIDDAY (Mass at the Oratory) 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. Farmer
READERS:	11 am. R. Fitzjohn	6 pm. D. Gillett
CLEANING TEAM:	A (Wednesday morning)	
TENBURY:	Additional minister: M. Harper	Reader: M. Bowdler

+ AT A GLANCE +

- Catholic Men's Society Annual Requiem Mass	Wednesday at 7:30 pm.
- Holy Hour for Vocations	Thursday, November 19th from 7:30 pm.
- End of Year Parish Quiz Night	Friday, November 27th in the Parish Hall
- Jacket Potatoes & Puddings	Sunday, November 29th in the Parish Hall
- Br. Heritage Oratory Talk	Wednesday, December 2nd 7 pm in the Adams Lounge
- Birmingham Oratory Visit	Saturday, December 5th beginning at 3 pm, Birmingham
- Christmas Bazaar	Sunday, December 6th
- Confirmation	Monday, December 7th
- Christmas Party	Sunday, December 20th in the Parish Hall

PARISH RE-ORGANISATION: It appears that a recent Parish newsletter in a neighbouring Parish has indicated a possible scenario for future distribution of Sunday Masses. This does not seem to include St. Ambrose's nor the Sacred Heart Tenbury Wells, and was published without our knowledge.
Fr. Sharples has been insistent that there should only be ONE WEEKEND MASS in each of the four churches involved (i.e. St. Ambrose's, St. Wulstan's Stourport, St. Mary's Harvington & Sacred Heart Tenbury Wells). We have readily agreed to this suggestion as it will then be possible for ONE priest to cope (albeit with some difficulty) each week-end. Discussions will be continuing and we hope to present some proposals to include ALL the four churches before too long.
THE LAST POST: Once again this year we welcome HENRY THOMAS from Winterfold House School will play the Last Post during our ACT of REMEMBRANCE at 11 am.
BINGO: will be in the Parish Hall today after morning Mass today.
WORCESTER DEANERY: The clergy of the Worcester Deanery will meet on Tuesday at the Sacred Heart Church in Droitwich for the Annual Requiem Mass for the Deceased Clergy of the Worcester & Kidderminster Deaneries.
MONTINI GROUP: We meet again on Tuesday at 6:30 pm. to study the chapter in Apologia on the LIFE of Christ. Scripts will be available for those who do not have a copy of the booklet. These meetings are very vibrant and informative and everyone is welcome.
CATHOLIC MEN'S SOCIETY MASS for DECEASED MEMBERS: Will take place on Wednesday at 7.30pm in the church. It is our tradition that this is open to all parishioners, not just CMS members. There is always a Buffet in the Adams lounge after Mass which is, again, open to all. It will be necessary for Ray Barber to have confirmation of those attending if they require food by ***Monday 9th***. You and family are still welcome to attend in the Adams lounge even if you do not require food. Teas or Coffees will be available. CMS sashes should be worn, please.
CONFIRMATION PARENTS FORUM MEETINGS: There will be twenty-four candidates for Confirmation this year, on St. Ambrose's Day, December 7th. The next Parents Meeting will be on Thursday, November 12th and parents will be invited to attend ONE of three Forums, which will be held on successive evenings as follows:
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24th 5:30 pm. – 6:15 pm. WEEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25th 6 pm. – 6:45 pm. THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26th 6 pm. – 6:45 pm. The meetings will be held in the Adams Lounge.
PRAYERS for VOCATIONS: As the present re-organisation of parishes is demonstrating, the shortage of available priests for Mass, Sacraments and Pastoral care has now become a real crisis. Each Deanery in this Diocese has been asked to dedicate one month of each year to pray especially for vocations to the Ordained Ministry. The Worcester Deanery has been allocated the month of November. Each week, the Bidding Prayers at Sunday Mass will include a petition to this effect. There will be a Holy Hour to pray for Vocations on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19th from 7:30 pm, concluding with the Office of Compline and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Prayer for Vocations in the Sacred Heart Church, Tenbury Wells, on Friday, November 20th from 10:30 am. –11:30 am.
ST. PHILIP & the BIRMINGHAM ORATORY: A Parish visit to the Birmingham Oratory, and the Shrine and Museum of St. JOHN HENRY NEWMAN, has been arranged for SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5th. The visit will begin at 3 pm. and will conclude in time for us to join with the Oratory parishioners for Mass at 5:30 pm, which will fulfil the Sunday obligation! In preparation for our visit, BROTHER ZACHARIAH HERITAGE, of the Birmingham Oratory, will visit the parish on Wednesday, December 2nd at 7 pm. in the Adams Lounge to introduce St. Philip to us, and speak about the Oratorian Charism, and the history of the Oratory in Birmingham. Please make a note of these important dates. **Lists are now available at the back of our churches for those intending to participate.**
END of the YEAR QUIZ NIGHT: The New Church Year will begin on Advent Sunday, November 29th. It is proposed to have an END of CHURCH YEAR QUIZ NIGHT in the Adams Lounge on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27th. There will be the usual Four Rounds set by the Parish Priest, on a variety of subjects and we hope that all Parish Groups will be able to enter a Team, and families and friends also take part. Tea and coffee and biscuits will be available but please feel free to bring wine, beer and light refreshments of any kind. I hope there will be a raffle, and £1 donation per player will go towards the refurbishment of the two kitchens in our parish centre.
JACKET POTATOES & PUDDINGS: For a change, the lunch on November 29th will be Jacket Potatoes and Pudding. Baked Potatoes will be provided, and interesting and imaginative fillings may be brought. Any donations of Potatoes may be brought to the Rectory during the previous week.
THE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: Just 4 weeks remain of the year until the annual PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR on DECEMBER 6th. Donations of bottles, chocolates (tombola) and Christmas gifts (tombola) and also general good quality bric-a-brac. All donations to the Rectory please.
200 CLUB: Following the recent Draw in the Parish Centre, the lucky winners for October 2026 are:
1st £75 No. 230 T. Hart 2nd £50 No. 72 L. Kennedy 3rd £25 No. 156 H. Baylie

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 Gissyng, 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, 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, Frances Graves, Heather Bearne, Margaret Norris.

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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