



ST. KENELM was the son of Kenwulf, who was King of Mercia from 796 to 820. There is a strong local tradition that identifies a particularly steep and narrow valley in the Clent Hills as the place where Kenelm was murdered. The site is marked by a medieval church which is dedicated to him. A two-line Anglo-Saxon verse which probably represents the folk-memory of the event can be

translated:

*On the Clent Hills in the cow valley under a hawthorn tree
Kenelm is there, born to be king, a headless corpse lies he*

An eleventh-century Life of St. Kenelm in Latin contains many fanciful legends but reflects the belief that the Prince was killed as a result of dynastic quarrels within the Mercian royal family; in fact his uncle Kelwulf succeeded to the throne. In an age when politics were conducted according to the maxim 'Kill or be killed', it is probable that Kenelm's reputation for holiness came from his refusal to adopt such methods to obtain power. He was remembered by the people of the West Midlands as a faithful follower of Christ in particularly difficult circumstances. Kenelm was buried with his father in the crypt of St. Pancras' Abbey at Winchcombe (Gloucestershire) which became a place of pilgrimage in the Middle Ages. In the nineteenth century, Cardinal Newman was eager to encourage devotion to English saints. He would walk on pilgrimage from the Oratorian house at Rednal to St Kenelm's Church on the Clent Hills

Image: www.britannia.com/bios/saints/kenelm.html .
Text: http://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/st_kenelm.asp

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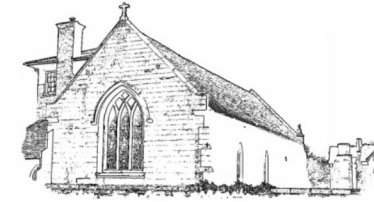
EMERGENCY EXIT: This is via the sacristy and through the house

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**Times of Holy Mass and Intentions
(YEAR B Readings)**

Sunday 15 July

8.30 am -
10.30 am -

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ernest Godwin R.I.P.
For the People of The Parish

A retiring collection today on behalf of a parishioner who is assisting on a pilgrimage to Lourdes with the *ORDER OF MALTA VOLUNTEERS*.

Monday 16 July

8.30 am -

Feria in Ordinary Time

Holy Souls

Tuesday 17 July

8.30 am -

Memorial of St Kenelm, Prince of Mercia

For the intentions of Harry Hogg

Wednesday 18 July

8.30 am -
9.00 am -

Feria in Ordinary Time

Stan Robson R.I.P.
#Discussion Group at the home of James Arbuthnott
Stone House, Stone. DY10 4BG

Thursday 19 July

11.30 am -

Feria in Ordinary Time

Philomena Reilly R.I.P.

Friday 20 July

11.30 am -

Feria in Ordinary Time

Doreen Millard R.I.P.

Saturday 21 July

10.00 am -
(At Harvington Hall in the Georgian Chapel)

Feria in Ordinary Time

For the intentions of the O'Neil Family

Sunday 22 July

8.30 am -
10.30 am -

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mo Trow R.I.P.
For the People of The Parish

Anniversaries in July: Rev Arthur Vaughan (1792), Sir George Throckmorton (1826), Josphllsley (1874), Helen Chare (1899), Katherine Drinkwater (1939), Winifred Mewburn Crook (1980), Clive Grant (1980), Veronica Webster (1992), Eric Thomson (1995), Dorothy Tweddell (2000), Margery Thomas (2001) Elizabeth Medicott (2011).

Prayers for Sick:

Trudy Woodall, Anthony Mitchell, Veronica Mitchell, Philip Edwards, Julia Comber, Anne Hiron, Kathleen Clarke, Maureen Ribbins, James Arbuthnott, Susannah Michaels, William Tweddell Jnr, Oliver Ronan, Paul Hoban, Margaret Bradley, Ray Fogg, Denis Conway

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sunday 15 July Stephen Fox, Helen Raphael
Joan McKay, Annick Harvey
Sunday 22 July Eddie Picardo, Bridget Robson
Steve McWalter, John Charuk

Readers:

Sunday 15 July Heather Race
Jenny Wilcox
Sunday 22 July Biddy Goodyear
Joan McKay

Church Cleaners:

Friday 20 July Peter & Marie Hesketh
Friday 27 July Jill Finch & Jenny Lockyer

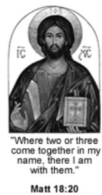
Money Counters:

For the 15 July collection: Mr & Mrs S Brown
For the 22 July collection: Mr & Mrs T Greenfield

Contributions to the Parish:

Weekly Offertory taken on Sunday 8 July

Gift Aid Direct Debits £259.00
Gift Aid Envelopes £231.50
Loose cash £212.86
Second collection for the Apostleship of the Sea: £315.20



The Wednesday Word Trust leaflets are available from the table in the porch or may be downloaded from: <http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm> (click on The Parish Version) either for your personal use at home or in anticipation of the group discussion on Wednesday mornings. The informal discussion group is led by Fr John and is open to everyone. Do come along for a cup of coffee and an exchange of ideas!



Our next collection for the **Kidderminster FOODBANK**, will be on **Sunday 5th August** but any contributions brought in before then will be delivered promptly. With the school holidays coming they are going to offer extra to families whose children normally have free school meals, and are hoping to provide a hot meal once a week for the children, our contributions are especially valued.

EVERYONE IS INVITED to the **KIDDERMINSTER CATENIANS CIRCLE** barbeque with entertainment provided by the West Mercia Police Band at 7.00 pm on **Friday 20 July**. The location is the wonderful Shelsley Walsh Motor Racing Circuit & Watermill (WR6 6RP). Licensed and soft drinks bar and BBQ fare. Tickets £10 available from Steve McWalter (07754 878609) and George Race (077895 05406).



Plans are getting underway for the **DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO HARVINGTON** which will take place on **Sunday 2 September**. Please put this date in your diary in order to attend the Pilgrimage Mass during the afternoon. We are the hosts of this important event and it is the privilege of our parish community to offer our visitors hospitality and a generous welcome to Harvington. Closer to the date you will be able to sign up to volunteer in various ways so that we may once again provide pilgrims with a meaningful and happy experience.

THE HARVINGTON CRAFT GUILD due to holidays, this months meeting on Tuesday 17 July has been postponed until **Tuesday 21 August** at 7 o'clock in the stable. Please bring your sewing kit.



MARIE CURIE HOSPICES Lilian Osborne (11yrs), one of our young parishioners, will be selling her home-made key rings in support of Marie Curie Hospices after both masses on **29 July**. Please help to support Lilian in her fundraising efforts.