

# Newsletter for the Parishes of **St John Vianney & St Thomas Becket**

20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. Yr C  
17<sup>th</sup> August 2025

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## LUKE 12: 49 - 53

“I have come to set the earth on fire.” Pope Benedict XVI wrote that the fire is Christ's own passion of love, “a fire that is to be handed on. Whoever comes close to him must be prepared to be burned. This is a fire that makes all things bright and pure and free and grand. Being a Christian, then, is daring to entrust oneself to this burning fire”.

Magnificat August 2025

**GAZA** ~ The pain and suffering in Gaza is reverberating around the world. Distressing news and images bear witness to the unfathomable horrors of war. Over 18,000 children have been killed in Gaza since the beginning of the war. That's an average of 28 children a day. Gaza has become a stain on our moral conscience. Yet the UK Government continues to allow arms sales to Israel and fails to hold it accountable.

Please tell your MP that the UK Government must take bolder and more decisive action.

Go to [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk) for an easy to use tool for contacting your MP.

**ARLEY HALL VISIT** ~ Make a note in your diaries that there will be a Parish Visit to Arley Hall on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September. Mass will be celebrated in their chapel at 11.00am.

**PARISH TRIPS 2026** ~ Two main trips are planned for next year:

Walsingham ~ 23<sup>rd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> March £330

Shrines of France ~ 15<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> September £1,100

Thanks to all who have completed and returned their forms. There will be a Meeting at St Wilfrid's on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September 6.30pm to discuss the trip to the Shrines of France.

Contact the Parish Office for further details.

**MASS** ~ Will be celebrated at **Anderton Place, Kingsmead** this coming Friday 11.00am.

All welcome. Contact the Parish Office for further details.

**SHOE BOX APPEAL** ~ Now is a good time to collect shoeboxes to help with our shoebox appeal in the autumn. Also the school summer holidays might be a good opportunity to put shoeboxes together with your children and grandchildren. Shoebox leaflets detailing contents to fill them will be at the back of church.

## TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 17<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025

5.30pm ( <i>vigil</i> )	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Parishioners
6.00pm ( <i>vigil</i> )	<i>St Bede's</i>	Yearley Family Int
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Intention Of Donor
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Connie Mulchinock
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Jim Burton
<b><u>MONDAY</u></b>		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Helena Ximenes
<b><u>TUESDAY</u></b>		
9.30am	<b><i>St John Eudes</i></b>	
7.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Mark Sweeney
	<i>St Bede's</i>	Kathleen Parr
<b><u>WEDNESDAY</u></b>		
12.00pm ( <i>Rosary at 11.30am</i> )	<b><i>St Bernard</i></b>	
	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Barbara & Tony Forshaw
<b><u>THURSDAY</u></b>		
9.30am	<b><i>St Pius X</i></b>	
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Tratalos Family Int
	<i>St Bede's</i>	Barnes Family Int
<b><u>FRIDAY</u></b>		
9.30am	<b><i>Our Lady, Mother and Queen</i></b>	
11.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Joseph, Sarah & Michael Schofield
	<i>Mass in Anderton Place</i>	World Peace
<b><u>SATURDAY</u></b>		
11.00 – 11.50am ( <i>Exposition</i> )	<b><i>St Rose Of Lima</i></b>	
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
1.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Helen Langan
5.30pm ( <i>vigil</i> )	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Marriage</i> ~ Katy Philbin & Michael Lightfoot
6.00pm ( <i>vigil</i> )	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Richard White
	<i>St Bede's</i>	Parishioners
<b><u>21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY YR C</u></b>		
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Mary Cosgrove
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Thanksgiving for The Father's goodness
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Sarah, Nella, Emanuel & Lucia Goodcore

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** ~ Duncan Brehaut. Sybil Lavin who have died recently, and for all who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

**TWO JUBILEE EVENTS** ~ Have been planned by the Diocese. On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September you are invited to St Joseph's, Stockport to reflect on '*Sharing Hope with a Broken World*', with guest speaker Mark Saunders 10.30am-2.15pm. To book, email: [natalie.orefice@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:natalie.orefice@dioceseofshrewsbury.org)

On Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November, there will be a '*Jubilee for Catechists*' with Bishop Mark Davies, the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph and Natalie Orefice, Diocesan Director of Evangelisation and Catechesis. St Joseph's, Stockport. Book a free place here: <https://bit.ly/Jubilee-for-Catechists>

**JUBILEE OF SOCIAL JUSTICE** ~ Apart from the above events, there is also a gathering at Liverpool Met Cathedral on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September. Join Caritas Social Action Network and all involved in Catholic social action throughout the country.

For further details contact: [bernadette.durcan@csan.org.uk](mailto:bernadette.durcan@csan.org.uk)

**A DIOCESAN VACANCY** ~ For a Cook, based at St Joseph's Eucharistic Shrine, Stockport, has arisen. This is a permanent appointment requiring 9 hours per week; 3 hours each day on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. For further details go to: [www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org](http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org)>latest-vacancies

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