

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

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7th September 2025

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Luke 14: 25-33

Lord Jesus, our Saviour, let us come to you. Our hearts are cold; Lord, warm them with your selfless love. Our hearts are sinful; cleanse them with your precious blood. Our hearts are weak; strengthen them with our joyous Spirit. Our hearts are empty; fill them with your divine presence.

Lord Jesus, our hearts are yours; possess them always and only for yourself. (St. Augustine)

BAPTISMS ~ Congratulations to Grasa who was baptized recently. Please also keep in your prayers Christian, Paul and Harrison, young adults who are preparing to enter into the Church. They will celebrate their first Eucharist today (Sunday) and be Confirmed by Bishop Mark in October.

THIS WEEKEND ~ Our Holy Father is Canonizing two young men: **Pier Giorgio Frassati & Carlo Acutis**. Pier was born in Turin in 1901. From a young age he devoted his time caring for the poor and sick. He became an activist promoting the Catholic Church's social teaching based on the principles of Pope Leo XIII's encyclical letter, *Rerum Novarum*. He contracted Polio whilst caring for the sick and died in 1925, aged 24.

Carlo was born in London in 1991 but was raised in Milan. From an early age, Carlo had great devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, preaching to his peers and creating a website promoting Eucharistic miracles and Eucharistic devotion. He was diagnosed with leukemia and died in 2006 at the young age of fifteen.

"To always be close to Jesus, that's my life plan" (Carlo Acutis)

PRAYER GROUP ~ A New Catholic Charismatic Renewal prayer group is to be launched at 7pm on Monday 22nd September at St. Bede's Church. The '*Bread of Life*' prayer group will meet once a month and is open to everybody. What is a Charismatic prayer group? We will meet to grow in faith and relationship with God through Spirit-inspired praise and worship, scripture, teachings, prayer, praying in tongues, prophecy, and healing. Ask Deacon David & Anne Harrison, or click here: <https://www.ccr.org.au/item/2-what-is-a-charismatic-prayer-meeting>

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 7th - 14th September 2025

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Sarah & Michael Schofield Int
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Elizabeth Cummins Int
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Carolynne & Dave Riley Int
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Dave & Rita Bouker
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners
MONDAY	<i>Our Lady's Birthday</i>	
9.15am	<i>Mass in St Wilfrid's School</i>	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Agnes Pojuner
12.00pm (<i>Rosary at 11.30am</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Sick & Housebound
TUESDAY	<i>St Peter Claver</i>	
9.30am		
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Winifred & Kevin McHugh
WEDNESDAY	<i>St Ambrose Barlow</i>	
12.00pm (<i>Rosary at 11.30am</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Canon John Gordon Int
THURSDAY		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Marilyn Mays
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Thanksgiving for Exam Results
2.30pm	<i>Mass in St Bede's School</i>	
FRIDAY	<i>Most Holy Name of Mary</i>	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Gabby's Int
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Sr Phyllis & Community
SATURDAY	<i>St John Chrysostom</i>	
11.00 – 11.50am (<i>Exposition</i>)	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Les Leather
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	John Ridd
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Joan Cosgrove
SUNDAY	<i>Exaltation of The Holy Cross</i>	
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Geoff Cornes
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Parishioners
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Mark Sweeney

MORNING PRAYER ~ Will be prayed during the week at 9.10am, prior to 9.30am Mass.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Audrey O'Donnell, Michael Pritchett, Stuart Pinchin, Ken Joules & Monika Nickson who have died recently, and for all our departed brothers and sisters.

ST BEDE'S SVP ~ Have a special Midday Mass on Monday, celebrating Our Lady's Birthday (Rosary at 11.30am). Refreshments will follow.

OUR LADY'S SVP ~ Will be meeting tomorrow (Monday) at 9.30am. All welcome.

A PARISH VISIT ~ To Arley Hall takes place this Tuesday. Mass will be celebrated in their chapel at 11.00am. Please meet at the main gates at 10.30am.

TEAS & COFFEES ~ Will resume after the Saturday Midday Mass. All welcome.

A MARRIAGE CELEBRATION ~ For all couples marking a special wedding anniversary this year, will be held at St Wilfrid's on Sat. 20th Sept., during the Midday Mass. All Welcome. Refreshments will follow in the Hall. If you would like your names mentioned during Mass, please contact the Parish Office.

ASSISTED SUICIDE ~ 'Thank you for your continued support as we seek to oppose Kim Leadbeater's Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill in Westminster. This Friday the Bill will have its Second Reading in the House of Lords. Now is the time to write to Peers to remind them of the dangers of the Bill and its impact upon the most vulnerable, and to encourage them to oppose it'. www.righttolife.org.uk

MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE ~ Calling all those interested in supporting the vocation of marriage and family to join Jane Deegan for a Retreat day to find out more about this important work and the various different ways that help is needed. When: 11th October 9.30am-4.00pm. Where: Shrewsbury Cathedral –
For further Info contact Monika: 07549226794 or Jane: 07517 906435.

A VISIT TO SHREWSBURY CATHEDRAL ~ Organized by St Mary's, Middlewich, has been arranged for Thursday 23rd October. The coach will depart St Mary's at 9am and return for approx 6pm. The cost is £26.33 which includes transport and lunch. For further details contact Ruth: 07922654944

PARISH SCHOOLS ~ School Masses will be celebrated this week to mark the opening of the new School Year. Do feel free to join us. St Wilfrid's Monday 9.15am / St Bede's Thursday 2.30pm.

TWO JUBILEE EVENTS ~ Have been planned by the Diocese. This coming Saturday (13th Sept) 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

On Saturday 15th 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 20th 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

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

Walsingham ~ 23rd - 26th March £330

Shrines of France ~ 15th - 24th September £1,100

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

Contact the Parish Office for further details.

PARISH FINANCE ~ £1053.58. Thank you for your generosity.

Donations ~ Thank you also for various donations received recently including £100 from Our Lady's teas and coffees for Mary's Meal & £100 for the Parish.