

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

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Luke 17:

Gratitude - not just occasional, but as a joyous attitude of heart - is the ultimate in graciousness. We would do well to concentrate as much on what we have already found, as on what we seek or desire (Robin Daniels)

BAPTISM ~ Congratulations to Harry Brookes recently baptized.

CONGRATULATIONS ~ To all who were Confirmed on Friday evening. Please keep them in your prayers. May they truly grow as 'Temples' of the Holy Spirit. A big thank you to all the Catechists who have supported our young people in their time of preparation. Please keep them all in your prayers.

MARIAN VOYAGE ~ A Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary is currently travelling through the UK during the month of October visiting parishes, along side a continuous 24 hours Rosary prayer. It will make a stop at St Wilfrid's on Friday 24th October 5.00 – 6.00pm. Come and join us to pray the Rosary.

JOIN US ~ At Anderton Place, Kingsmead for Mass this coming Friday 11am. All welcome.

AN AFTERNOON OF MUSIC ~ Will be held at St Bede's NEXT **Saturday**. 2.00pm Start. If you would like to take part, please contact Jess Marshall on 07463749760. Donations of cakes would be appreciated.

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES ~ Thanks to all who have taken shoeboxes to fill with exciting, festive items. These need to be returned to church by the end of October. [Teams4U shoebox appeal](#).

THE FEAST OF ST WILFRID ~ Will be celebrated in St Wilfrid's School tomorrow (Monday) with Mass at 9.15am. Refreshments to follow. All Welcome.

ST BEDE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL ~ Is having an **OPEN DAY** this coming Thursday 1.30pm – 3.15pm. All are welcome to come along to look around, explore our fantastic campus, meet the dedicated staff and find out more about our love of learning.

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 12th - 19th October 2025

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Theresa Merrin
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	St Carlo Acutis In Thanksgiving
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	David Hodkinson
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>	Elias Fernandes
MONDAY	<i>St Edward The Confessor</i>	
9.15am	<i>Mass in St Wilfrid's School</i>	Aurelia Da Costa & Domingos Barreto
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	All Souls
TUESDAY	<i>St Callistus</i>	
10.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	UCM / Dashel Anto
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Geraldine & Archie Hughes
WEDNESDAY	<i>St Teresa of Avila</i>	
12.00pm (<i>Rosary at 11.30am</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Mark Mather
THURSDAY	<i>St Margaret Mary Alacoque</i>	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Jean McGuinness
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Sr Anne Marie
FRIDAY	<i>St Ignatius of Antioch</i>	
9.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Nancy Dickson
11.00am	<i>Mass in Anderton Place</i>	Louise Milner
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Anne Bowes
1.30pm	<i>Our Lady's</i>	<i>Funeral ~ Patricia Rigby</i>
SATURDAY	<i>St Luke</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>	Dermot O'Brien
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Davenport & Faulkner Families
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Betty & Dennis Simpson
29th SUNDAY		
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>	Sr Anne Marie
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Cath Smallwood, Chris Pierce, Maryse Hinchcliffe, John & Anne Bowes, Patricia Rigby, who have died recently and for all our departed brothers and sisters.

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS ~ To Bridget Stokes & Paddy Docherty married recently.

PARISH LIBRARY ~ We now have a library at the back of St Wilfrid's & St Bede's.
You are very welcome to buy, or borrow books. Donations to CAFOD are invited.

SHRINES OF FRANCE ~ 15th - 24th September 2026. Visiting Paris, Lourdes, Nevers, Lisieux.
£1,100 sharing / £1,350 single. Please return all official 'Northern Star' Booking forms to the Parish Office ASAP. Seats are still available. Speak to Fr Paul for further details.

THE NEXT GATHERING ~ Of the 'Bread of Life' Prayer Community takes place at St Bede's on Monday, 27th October at 7pm. It was wonderful to have seen so many people having such a lovely time in praise, worship and prayer. You are all welcome to join us. Deacon David.

ARE YOU INTERESTED ~ In doing some Environmental volunteering in Leftwich? If you are interested in getting involved, learning new skills, finding out about wildlife, meeting new people and having fun in a beautiful outdoor setting then text Tim on 07543406968 or email tim@wilderthings.co.uk

A ROSARY RETREAT DAY ~ Is to take place at St Joseph's, Stockport on Sat. 25th October led by Bishop Mark. The Day will begin at 9.30am & conclude at 3.30pm with Benediction.

PARISH FINANCE ~ £1069.06. Thank you for your generosity.

JUBILEE FOR CATECHISTS ~ Sat. 15th November at St Joseph's, Stockport.

Book a free place here: <https://bit.ly/Jubilee-for-Catechists>

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

A vacancy has arisen within the Diocese for the role of a Clergy Welfare Support Worker. The role would be to support the Diocesan Welfare Nurse in her duties.

Wrexham Diocese are also seeking to employ a PA to their Bishop.

For further details on the above, please follow this link:

www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latestvacancies

A PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE ~ 25th May – 1st June 2026. £799.

For further details contact Gemma (07796455509).

RADIO MARIA ~ Invites you to their 'Mariathon', 15th – 17th October. Hear inspiring guest speakers share stories of faith, growth, and renewal. Tune in via DAB+, the Radio Maria app, online at www.radiomariaengland.uk or smart speaker.

POPE LEO ~ Has released the first major magisterial document of his papacy: **Dilexi te** (*I have loved you*). It is a profound and deeply moving document, reminding us that at the heart of our faith is the call to love our neighbour. It reminds us of the preferential love that God has for those who are poor, the most vulnerable and marginalised. We are called to learn from our brothers and sisters who live in poverty, recognising that their experiences bring a unique perspective to the increasingly unequal world that we live in today. And we are encouraged to take concrete actions to build a better world, through almsgiving and raising our voices against the injustice that we see, because: ***"Charity has the power to change reality; it is a genuine force for change in history."***

Find out more about the Pope's message for us today and how we can respond to his call for concrete action. Go to: www.cafod.org.uk

STOP ASSISTED SUICIDE ~ Further action needed! Sending a physical letter carries particular weight with Members of the House of Lords. Right To Life UK has created a simple tool that generates personalised letters to Peers, each focused on a specific area of concern. You can then print them, or copy them out by hand, sign, and post them. Please take action now and visit www.righttolife.org.uk/aspeersletter

The Feast of St Wilfrid ~ Is celebrated today (Sunday). St. Wilfrid was born in Northumbria in 634. He was educated in the monastery of Lindisfarne. Later he travelled to Rome in the company of Abbot Benet Biscop. This wider, continental experience had a profound effect upon the young man and, on his return, he showed himself to have become a keen supporter of the traditions of the Roman Church as against the prevailing 'Celtic' customs introduced by the Irish missionaries from Iona under St Aidan. In 664, Wilfrid attended the Whitby Synod & took a leading role arguing for the implementation of Roman rule. He later became Bishop of Lindisfarne, but his allegiance to Rome brought him many enemies & challenges, including imprisonment & exile. Whilst in exile in Sussex, he began an energetic mission to the South Saxons & to the people of Friesland. He died in 709.