

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

Second Sunday Ordinary Time, Yr C 19th January 2025

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Psalm 96 Response: Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples

John 2: 1-11

It was not a chance happening that this village wedding occurred at the beginning of Jesus' public life. God in him had wedded humanity to himself: that is the good news, even if the guests who are present are unaware that the Son of God has sat at their table, & that he is the true bridegroom. (*Glenstal Bible Missal*)

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Rose Walsh, Angelo Peck and all who have died recently. May they rest in peace.

1ST COMMUNION PREPARATION ~ Has begun in our Catholic Primary Schools, and the children will be enrolled for this very special Sacrament at morning Masses on the 26th January. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

CONFIRMATION 2025 ~ The 2025 Confirmation programme will begin this Lent. If you are interested in joining, then please contact the Parish Office with your contact details. Thank you.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER ~ For Christian Unity begins this Saturday. Please keep this intention in your thoughts and prayers. You are invited to a joint Service this **Saturday (18th) Midday**, at Holy Trinity Parish Church, Castle, CW8 1ED, follow by a shared lunch (bring some food to share). All Welcome.

SCHOOL SPONSORSHIP ~ Over the past year our Parish has been sponsoring students at Ndundundu School in Zambia, providing a hot meal for them each school day. Take a look at a report & letter I have received this week. Thanks to your continued generosity, we are well on our way to supporting them for a second year, (beginning on the 14th Feb). The total cost of the year's sponsorship is £4,875 and you have already raised an amazing £3,300 through various parish activities. Well done!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

Friday 31st January 11.00am ~ Mass in Anderton Place
Friday 14th February 11.00am ~ Prayers & singing Daneside Mews

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 19th - 26th January 2025

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Parishioners
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Paddy Fannon
SUNDAY		
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>	Nora Gillen
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Rosary & Benediction</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Persecuted Christians
MONDAY		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Joe Nouyoleas
TUESDAY		
	<i>St Agnes</i>	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Jack & Irene Hughes
7.00pm (<i>Holy Hour 6.00pm</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Fr Charlie Corrington Int
WEDNESDAY		
	<i>St Vincent</i>	
11.00am	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Funeral ~ Angelo Peck</i>
12.00pm (<i>Rosary 11.30am</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Ernie Ollier Int
THURSDAY		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Saro, Nella, Emanuel & Lucia Goodcore
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Kathleen Connolly
FRIDAY		
	<i>St Francis de Sales</i>	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Betty Maddock
2.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Requiem ~ Rosemary Walsh</i>
SATURDAY		
	<i>The Conversion of St Paul</i>	
11.00 – 11.50am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Exposition with the Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Joseph Hayes
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Mike Donnelly Int
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Parishioners
SUNDAY		
	<i>Third Sunday Year C</i>	
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Cath Evans / Margaret Mannion</i>
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int.
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Pauline Atkinson
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Rosary & Benediction</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Domigos Barreto, Aurelia Da Costa & Mimi

SVP FUNDRAISER ~ Saturday 8th February which will showcase a number of talented people across the Parish. The event is taking place at St Bede's Church at 2pm. We are holding a raffle and if anyone could donate some prizes for the event they would be gratefully received. If you would like to help out or perform on the day please contact Jess Marshall for further details on 07463749760.

~ 2025 A YEAR OF HOPE, A JUBILEE YEAR ~ Two forthcoming events:

Join Nana Churcher, representatives from Cafod, Fr Jan Nowotnik (Director of Mission for the Bishop's Conference) and others reflecting on this special year. Online. **Saturday 18 January 10:30am - midday.**

All welcome. Register for free: cafod.org.uk/jubilee

Join St Mary's, Middlewich, who will be exploring the biblical background to the Jubilee Year and what the theme 'Pilgrims of Hope' means for us today using material produced by CAFOD. Meeting at St Mary's on **Sat. Feb. 8th 9.45am – 1pm.** Contact Anne for further details: annesturman17@gmail.com

CAR PARKING !!! ~ Please be aware that Traffic Wardens are now in operation outside St Wilfrid's on **Sunday mornings!** Please ensure that you park legally (especially outside church, where signs are conflicting), otherwise, you will find yourself with a ticket!

PARISH FINANCE ~ Sunday Collection £883.81. Plus, £100 donation from Our Lady's teas & coffees.
Many Thanks.

I AM AWAY ~ Over the coming days, up in Scotland. Please be assured of my prayers.
Thanks to Fr Bernard and to all who are looking after the Parish in my absence – Fr Paul.