

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

Second Sunday of Advent Year C 8th December 2024

Parish Priest: Rev. Paul Standish
Parish Office: 01606 42440
Parish Mobile: 07483857218
Email: info@stjohnvianney.co.uk
www.stjohnvianney.co.uk

Deacon: Rev. David Harrison
Tel:- 07516787323
Parish Sister: Sr. Phyllis Hughes
Tel: 01606 270209 / 07359584487
Priest in Residence: Rev. Bernard Forshaw

Our Lady of Fatima Churchfields, Barnton CW8 4UR	St Bede's Church Lane, Weaverham CW8 3NP	St Thomas Becket 3 Nantwich Road Tarporley CW6 9UN	St Wilfrid's 142 Witton Street, Northwich CW9 5NP
---	---	---	--

Luke 3: 1 – 6

“He who enriches others becomes poor. He took to himself the poverty of my flesh so that I might attain the riches of his godhead. He who is full empties himself. He emptied himself of his godhead for a brief time so that I might share in his fullness.”

St Gregory Nazianzen

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Warren Walton, Anthony Baller, Alan Barlow, Colin Healey, and all who have died recently. May they rest in peace.

THREE RECONCILIATION SERVICES ~ Are planned prior to Christmas: Tuesday 17th at St Thomas Becket; Thursday 19th at St Bede's & Monday 23rd December at St Wilfrid's - all at 7.00pm. The sacrament of Reconciliation is also available every Saturday at St Wilfrid's 11.00 – 11.15am and also, on request.

A MASS ~ In Anderton Place, Kingsmead will be celebrated this Friday. 11am. All welcome.

KITWOOD NURSING HOME ~ Come and join us this Thursday for carols. 11am. All welcome.

EARLY MASS ~ Please note the 6.30am Mass on Fridays at St Wilfrid's

WINTER SOUP ~ Join us at St Wilfrid's on Saturdays after Midday Mass for soup and a chat. Thanks to the Ladies Fellowship group for organising this.

A PARISH SCRIPTURE GROUP ~ Takes place at Our Lady's, Wednesdays after the Midday Mass.

JUBILEE 2025 ~ Are you looking forward to the Jubilee Year which begins on Christmas Eve? There will be an event for families after the 9.15am Mass next Sunday in St Wilfrid's Hall. Lynda will help children to decorate wooden angels to decorate the window ledges of our churches – Please bring with you shiny paper or foils.

A CAROL SERVICE ~ Is taking place at St Thomas Becket next Sunday (15th) at 5.30pm., followed by wine and shortbread. All welcome.

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 8th - 15th December 2024

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Holland Family
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Victoria & Gottfried Eber
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Kath Plumb & Willie Walsh / Rowbottom Family
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest' Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Parishioners / Peter Cosgrove & Family Int
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Rosary & Benediction</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Jane & James Cassidy
MONDAY <i>THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION</i>		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Mr P. Loulie / Mary Ellen Brown
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	SVP / Alan Barlow
7.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Holy Souls
TUESDAY <i>Our Lady of Loreto</i>		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Sara, Nella, Emanuel & Lucia Goodcore
6.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Barry Preece
WEDNESDAY		
11.30am	<i>Our Lady's</i>	<i>Rosary</i>
12.00pm	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Holy Souls
THURSDAY <i>Our Lady Of Guadalupe</i>		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Kevin & Mary Quigley
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Chris Harford
FRIDAY <i>St Lucy</i>		
6.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Peter Kerrigan
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Jean Sullivan & Frances Reilly Cooper
11.00am	<i>Mass in Anderton Place, Kingsmead</i>	
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Vincent Ollier Int
SATURDAY <i>St John of The Cross</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>	Anne & Frank Jefferay & Patricia Marsden
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Molly Morgan
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Peter McDonald
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT		
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Stokes Family / Jerito Caetano
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest' Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	St Bede's Choir Int
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Rosary & Benediction</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners

ST BEDE'S MONDAY MASS & LUNCH ~ Will take place tomorrow (Monday).

PARISH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE ~ Tickets are now on sale.

DAY TRIP TO LIVERPOOL ~ Sadly, our Parish trip this Tuesday has been cancelled due to lack of numbers. If you have paid to go, please contact Anne for a refund. 07484 879693

MIDCHESHIRE FOODBANK ~ Thanks for your continued support. We are short of: tinned meat, UHT milk, cooking oil, plain porridge oats, peanut butter and cordial, stuffing, gravy granules, savoury biscuits, tubes of savoury snacks, fancy biscuits, packet trifle mix, sponge puddings, selection boxes.

RIGHT TO LIFE ~ "While the Leadbeater assisted suicide Bill passed its first hurdle, the vote was far closer than many commentators expected, and this is just the start of a long journey through the Commons and Lords before it could become law.... TAKE ACTION: Your MP needs to know there are a large number of people in their constituency who continue to be strongly engaged on this issue and that you want them to oppose the Leadbeater assisted suicide Bill at Third Reading." Go to: www.righttolife.org.uk

CAFOD FUN RUN ~ Will be taking place at Bollington on Friday 27th December.
email: events@cafod.org.uk for further details

ARLEY HALL ~ Take a look at: www.arleyhallandgardens.com to discover about their Christmas Festival

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION ~ £919.45. We also received a generous £100 towards our new Lectionary. Thank you for your continued generosity.

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Tomorrow, Monday, we celebrate the feast of the *Immaculate Conception of Our Blessed Lady*; a doctrine formally defined in 1854, acknowledging that Our Lady was conceived without original sin. Come and join us for this joyful feast. Please note the extra Masses.



“To Mary God gave his only-begotten Son, whom he loved as himself. Through Mary God made himself a Son, not different but the same, by nature Son of God and Son of Mary. The whole universe was created by God, and God was born of Mary. God created all things, and Mary gave birth to God. The God who made all things gave himself form through Mary, and thus he made his own creation. He who could create all things from nothing would not remake his ruined creation without Mary.

God, then, is the Father of the created world and Mary the mother of the re-created world. God is the Father by whom all things were given life, and Mary the mother through whom all things were given new life. For God begot the Son, through whom all things were made, and Mary gave birth to him as the Saviour of the world. Without God's Son, nothing could exist; without Mary's Son, nothing could be redeemed. Truly the Lord is with you, to whom the Lord granted that all nature should owe as much to you as to himself.” *St Anselm*



Christmas Eve Mass Times

5.30pm ~ St Thomas Becket

8.00pm ~ Our Lady's

6.00pm ~ St Bede's

5.00pm & 11.30pm ~ St Wilfrid's

Christmas Day Mass Times

11.00am ~ St Thomas Becket

11.15am ~ St Bede's

9.15am & 10.30am ~ St Wilfrid's



CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH ~ As in previous years, we plan to open up St Wilfrid's Hall if anyone would like to come together for Christmas Day Lunch. Arriving for 2.00pm and sitting down to eat around 3.00pm. All are welcome. For catering purposes, please contact Ray: 07484 157355