

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

Third Sunday of Advent Year C 15th December 2024

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Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday

For I am certain that neither death nor life, neither angels nor principalities, neither the present nor the future, nor powers, neither height nor depth nor any other creature, will be able to separate us from the love of God that comes to us in Christ Jesus, our Lord. (Romans 8: 38-39)

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Kathleen Gossmith, Eileen Kelly, Jenny Ellaby, Alan Barlow, Colin Healy, Margaret Holland, Ciaran O'Reilly, Anthony Baller and all who have died recently. May they rest in peace.

THREE RECONCILIATION SERVICES ~ Are planned prior to Christmas: This Tuesday at St Thomas Becket, Thursday 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 – 11.50am and also, on request.

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 ~ There will be an event for families today after the 9.15am Mass. Lynda will help children to decorate wooden angels to decorate the window ledges of our churches.

A CAROL SERVICE ~ Is taking place at St Thomas Becket **today** at 5.30pm. Refreshments will follow.

COME AND JOIN US ~ This Wednesday at Daneside Mews Nursing Home for carols. 11.00am.

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS ~ Will be visiting church this Friday, before they break for the Christmas break. St Wilfrid's children will be singing carols in St Wilfrid's at 11.30am & St Bede's children will be celebrating Mass in St Bede's at 1.15pm.

CAROLYNNE & DAVE ~ Would like to invite you to visit their Outdoor Crib and Christmas Garden at: Hill Cottage, 67 Beach Rd, Hartford. Admission is free, but any donations to Alder Hey Children's Hospital are warmly welcomed. Please park in their drive, not in the traffic light junction!

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 15th - 22nd December 2024

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Molly Morgan
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Peter McDonald
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
<u>MONDAY</u>		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	David, Sarah & John Boylan
2.00pm	<i>Our Lady's</i>	<i>Funeral</i> ~ Anthony Baller
<u>TUESDAY</u>		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Angela Fuller
6.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Pearl & Rose
7.00pm	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	<i>Service of Reconciliation</i>
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>		
11.30am	<i>Our Lady's</i>	<i>Rosary</i>
12.00pm	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Colin Healey
<u>THURSDAY</u>		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Margaret & Herbert Berry
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Patrick Fannon
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Service of Reconciliation</i>
<u>FRIDAY</u>		
6.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Holy Souls
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Lorenzo, Maria & Rita Falzon
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Warren Walton
<u>SATURDAY</u>		
11.00 – 11.50am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Exposition with the Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Harry Downey
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Denis Fowles
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Parishioners
<u>FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</u>		
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Mark Sweeney
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest' Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Alan Barlow
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Rosary & Benediction</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Holy Souls

MESSIAH ~ Come & join us next Sunday (6.30pm) at St Wilfrid's, to listen to Handel's – The Messiah. First performed in 1742, the oratorio contemplates the life of Christ. A great way to prepare for Christ's birth. Don't forget a cushion! Finish no later than 9.45pm (includes a refreshment break).

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

'GOD SPEAKS' ~ You are invited to a Day of Reflection lead by Jordan Kelly (music by Joe Wells - One Hope Project). Saturday 18th January 2025 10.30am – 3.30pm at St. Edwards Runcorn WA7 5NZ.
Lunch provided but please register at: alphamkruncorn@gmail.com

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

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION ~ £766.13. Thank you for your continued generosity.

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

A MEMORIAL MASS ~ For all our loved ones, but especially those who have died during the past 12 months, will be held at St Wilfrid's, on Friday 27 December 10am.

THANKS TO ALL ~ Who help clean, decorate & help our churches run smoothly not just at Christmas, but throughout the year, making them such warm & welcoming places. We are always looking for new volunteers to help. A '**Thank You**' Social is planned at St Wilfrid's Hall on Friday 3rd January. No charge, but for catering purposes, please pick up a ticket. The evening will begin with Mass at 6.30pm.



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

Boxing Day Mass Times

10.00am ~ St Wilfrid's

12.00pm ~ St Bede's

