

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

The Epiphany of the Lord 5th January 2025

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~ THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD ~

“What a wonderful favour! He who embraces heaven and earth is held within the embrace of his Mother; he who left the Kingdom of his Father lies hidden in the bosom of his Mother. Through a simple service the spiritual treasure is revealed: humanity is perceived, but divinity is adored... In the gift of gold royal dignity is indicated, in the smoke of frankincense divine majesty, and in the appearance of myrrh humanity which is destined for burial.”

St Caesarius

OUR PARISH SOCIAL ~ Will take place this coming Friday at St Wilfrid's, beginning with Mass at 6.30pm; an opportunity to say 'thank you' to all involved in Parish life.

ST WILFRID'S SVP ~ Will be meeting this coming Wednesday in the presbytery at 7.30pm.

FATHER JOE ~ Would like to thank all who have expressed concern and have offered prayers for him, since falling sick last Sunday. After a short spell in hospital, he is now recuperating back at home and hopes to return to you in the near future.

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 5th ~ 12th January 2025

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Marian Preece Int.
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Moira Menelaws
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Erin & Kathleen Connolly
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Fr Joe Int.
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Parishioners
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Rosary & Benediction</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Jackson Family Int.

MONDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

9.15am	<i>Mass in St Wilfrid's School</i>	Holy Souls
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Richard Kin
10.45am	<i>Mass in St Bede's School</i>	Una Barron

TUESDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Beryl Cavanagh
7.00pm (<i>Holy Hour 6.00pm</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Tymon / McHugh Int.

WEDNESDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

12.00pm (<i>Rosary 11.30am</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Kathleen Richardson
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THURSDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Ernest Gibney & Dec'd Family
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Service of Word & Communion</i>

FRIDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

6.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners
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SATURDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

11.00 – 11.50am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Exposition with the Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Baptism Families
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Schofield Int.
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Peter Cosgrove Int

SUNDAY

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Owen & Barbara Hayes
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int.
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Davenport Family Int.
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Rosary & Benediction</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Angelo Peck, Bernadette McCloud, Betty Maddocks, Joe Nouyoleas and all who have died recently. May they rest in peace.

THE JUBILEE YEAR ~ Join us at Midday Mass next Saturday to celebrate the grace of our BAPTISM. A special invitation is extended to all who celebrated this Sacrament in 2024. Refreshments will follow in the Hall.

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS ~ Reopen this week for the Spring Term. We wish students and staff a happy and fruitful time. Please note the Opening Masses on Monday. All welcome.

ST BEDE'S MONDAY MASS & LUNCH ~ Will take place on the 13th January. Please sign the list at the back of church, if you would like to stay for lunch. Many thanks.

'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

Announcement of the date of Easter and movable feasts

After the Gospel, following a long-established custom of the Church, the deacon or cantor may proclaim the movable feasts of the current year, in the following form:

Know, dear brethren that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Saviour, On the **5th March** will fall **Ash Wednesday**, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season. On the **20th April** you will celebrate with joy **Easter Day**, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the **29th May** will be the **Ascension** of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the **8th June**, the feast of **Pentecost**. On the **22nd June**, the feast of the **Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**. On the **30th November**, the First Sunday of the **Advent** of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

PARISH FINANCE ~ Sunday Collection £1009.60. Many Thanks.



JUBILEE PRAYER 2025

“Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen”

(Pope Francis)