

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

Passion (Palm) Sunday Yr C 13th April 2025

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"Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death...But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names"

OUR ANNUAL LENTEN PREPARATION ~ Ends this Thursday, Holy Thursday, with the beginning of the **Easter Triduum**. We will gather at St Wilfrid's at 7.00pm for the **Institution of the Lord's Supper**, followed by the procession to the altar of repose where there will be watching until 10.30pm, when Night Prayer will be prayed. Our Celebration continues on Good Friday, when we **commemorate the Lord's Passion**; this will take place in all four churches at 3.00pm. The Triduum concludes, throwing open the doors to Eastertide, on Holy Saturday, when at 9.00pm, we will gather at St Wilfrid's for the **Solemn Easter Vigil**.

If anyone would like to take an active part in the Holy Week liturgies (Welcoming, Serving, Reading, Ministering, feet washed etc.), please contact the Parish Office.

HOLY WEEK

MONDAY ~ Service of Reconciliation. St Wilfrid's 7.00pm. Reconciliation is also available on request.

TUESDAY ~ Service of Reconciliation. St Thomas Becket 7.00pm.

WEDNESDAY ~ Christ Mass with Bishop Mark. St Anthony's, Wythenshawe. 7.00pm.

GOOD FRIDAY ~ 'Churches Together' Good Friday Reflection / Procession beginning at the Salvation Army. 11.15am.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL ~ Kim Leadbetter has decided to delay the next stage of her Bill from the 25 April until the 16 May. We are encouraged to continue our pressure on our MP's by visiting them in person. For further details go to: <https://righttolife.org.uk> Thank you.

CONCERT – The Rivendell Singers will be performing at St Wilfrid's on Sat. 10th May 7:30pm. A varied programme of choral, vocal and instrumental music, including folksongs, soul classics and sacred music. Tickets £5. Speak to Tony Taig (07944 893 351)

UCM ~ Will be holding a Chocolate Tombola after 9.15am Mass today (Sunday)

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 13th - 20th April 2025

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	St. Catalina Tomas (Thanksgiving)
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Gerard Dolan
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int.
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Colin Rankin
4.00pm – 5.00pm (<i>Exposition</i>)	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Holy Souls

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

9.30am (<i>Holy Hour 8.30am</i>)	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Peter Kerrigan
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Funeral ~ Robert Wood</i>
7.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Reconciliation Service</i>

TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Kathleen Parr
7.00pm (<i>Holy Hour 6.00pm</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Carole Fannon
7.00pm	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	<i>Reconciliation Service</i>

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

11.15am	<i>Our Lady's</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
12.00pm	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Luigia Allison

HOLY THURSDAY

7.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's / St Thomas Becket</i>	MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
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GOOD FRIDAY

9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
3.00pm	<i>All churches</i>	COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION
7.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's / St Bede's</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>

HOLY SATURDAY

9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
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EASTER SUNDAY

9.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	EASTER VIGIL
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Fr. John Hovington Int
10.00am	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Monica & John Simmons ~ Golden Wedding
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int.
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Parishioners

No Evening Mass on Easter Sunday

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Ted Finnegan, Robert Wood, Marie Clare Brookes who have all died recently.

CAFOD EARTHQUAKE APPEAL ~ This Sunday there will be a retiring Collection to aid the survivors of the recent earthquake in Myanmar. Many thanks to all of you who have been so generous this Lent supporting Cafod, Mary's Meals and Aid to the Church in Need. Go to: www.cafod.org.uk www.marysmeals.org.uk www.acnuk.org to see how your money is spent.

DANESIDE MEWS NURSING HOME ~ Join us this Wednesday 11am to help the residents prepare for Easter through song and prayer. Contact the Parish Office for further details. All welcome.

DAY TRIP TO ELLESMERE & LLANGOLLEN ~ **Tuesday 22nd April**. The coach will depart from St Wilfrid's at 9.15am and also pick up from St Bede's. Mass & refreshments with the Poor Clare Sisters and an afternoon in scenic Llangollen. Returning for approx. 6.30pm. Adults £15. Accompanied children FREE! Book your seat today with Anne: 07484879693

ANY GREENERY ~ Would be gratefully accepted to decorate our churches for Easter. Thank you

THANK YOU ~ For an anonymous donation of £200 to St. Bede's SVP & also for a £100 donation from Our Lady's teas & coffees for Mary's Meals.

PARISH FINANCE ~ Sunday Collection £1004.40. Thanks for your continued generosity.

JUBILEE 2025 ~ THE YEAR OF HOPE!
'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life' (John 14)