

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT YR C **19th December 2021**

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***Alleluia, alleluia! I am the handmaid of the Lord:
let what you have said be done to me. Alleluia!***

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES THIS WEEK!

Monday 7.00pm ~ St Bede's

Tuesday 7.00pm ~ St Thomas Becket

Wednesday 7.00pm ~ St Wilfrid's

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available after weekday Masses.

A RECORDED CHRISTMAS MASS ~ Will be available on Christmas Day, especially for the housebound of the Parish. This recording will be found on our web site:

www.stjohnvianney.co.uk / What's On / Recorded Services.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Fr Vincent O' Toole, Dennis Chiles, Jo Stamper, Esther Kiernan who have died recently and for all our departed brothers and sisters.

PLEASE ENSURE ~ That you to continue wearing a **face covering** whilst indoors (this is again mandatory) and ensure that you **Sanitise** your hands on entering the church. If you feel unwell, please do not come to Mass. Thank you.

MASS TIMES: 19th - 26th December

9.15am	<i>St. Wilfrid</i>	Phyllis Barry Int
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede</i>	Patrick Fannon / Barry & Richard Preece
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid</i>	Parishioners

MONDAY

9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Gloria's Int
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TUESDAY

9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid</i>	Jean Sullivan / Frances Reilly Cooper
12.00pm	<i>St Bede</i>	Francis Hunt & David Howells

WEDNESDAY

12.00pm	<i>Our Lady</i>	Victor Freitas
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THURSDAY

9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid</i>	Kevin Quigley
12.00pm	<i>St Bede</i>	Peter Keegan

CHRISTMAS EVE

9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Fallon Family Int
5.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Jo Stamper
5.30pm	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Julie Evans, Chris & Mary Burke
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Holy Souls
7.00pm	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Parishioners
8.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Sue Gleave

CHRISTMAS DAY

8.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Margaret & Robert Lawlor
9.00am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Geraldine Paul
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Tony Yarker
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.00am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Joan Cosgrove
11.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	David Bowker

SUNDAY

HOLY FAMILY

9.15am	<i>St. Wilfrid</i>	Dennis Chiles
10.00am	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Linda John's
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Intention
11.15am	<i>St Bede</i>	Beesley & Wall Family

CHRISTMAS MASSES ~ Thanks to all who have already booked places at our Christmas Masses. 4.00pm & the 5.30pm at St Wilfrid's & the 5.00pm & 7.00pm at St Bede's are virtually full, but there are plenty of places still available at the other Masses. Can I remind everyone, that due to Covid, we are asking all to book a place this year, if they wish to attend any of our Christmas Celebrations. It's easy to do. Simply ring one of the following numbers:

To attend Mass at **Our Lady's** please ring 01606 781600

To attend Mass at **St Bede's** please ring 01606 270209

To attend Mass at **St Wilfrid's** please ring 01606 42440

Leave a message on the answer machine: giving your name, contact number, the number in your family & importantly, the Mass you wish to attend. We will only return your call, if there are no places available. Parishioners wishing to attend Mass at **St Thomas Becket** do not need to book. Simply turn up in good time. Thank You for your assistance ~ Fr Paul

MARK, OUR STUDENT ~ Will be leaving us this Christmas. On his return from his Christmas break, Mark will begin a new placement with the Team Ministry in Wythenshawe, offering new and exciting opportunities. I would like to thank Mark for his support and companionship over the past months and wish him all the best as he continues in this time of discernment. Please keep Mark and all our Church Students in your prayers.

A Message from Mark: *“Thank you. I have enjoyed my time here at St John Vianney Parish and appreciate having had the opportunity to work with you all. Thank you for the support, guidance, and encouragement you have provided to me during my time here, whether it be at the Men’s Fellowship Club, the Mini Vinnies, the Confirmation preparation course, or visiting parishioners with Fr Paul and Sister Phyllis. Even though I will miss you all, I am looking forward to a new challenge with Wythenshawe Team Ministry. God Bless”* Mark.

BOXING DAY ~ Please note that next Sunday (Boxing Day) there will be no 4.00pm Exposition or a 5.30pm Sunday Mass.

AFGHANISTAN CRISIS APPEAL ~ Cafod is working along side other Aid Agencies to support an estimated 8 million people who are on the brink of famine because of drought, collapsing economy, food shortages, conflict, and COVID. You can donate by going to: www.cafod.org.uk/AfghanistanAppeal or place money into an envelope, marked 'Cafod', and hand into church. Thank you for your generosity.

200 CLUB DRAW FOR DECEMBER ~ 1st prize Chris Melia, 2nd Prize Alma Cullen

FINANCE ~ Thank you for last Sunday's Offering: St John Vianney - £757.09

God is our glory. We are the vessels which receive God’s action and all his wisdom and power... He it was who took on the likeness of sinful flesh, to condemn sin and rid the flesh of sin, as now condemned. He wanted to invite us to take on his likeness, appointing us as imitators of God, establishing us in a way of life in obedience to the Father that would lead to the vision of God, and endowing us with power to receive the Father. He is the Word of God who dwelt with us and became the Son of Man to open the way for us to receive God, for God to dwell with us, according to the will of the Father.

St Irenaeus

