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

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR.C 16<sup>th</sup> January 2022

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#### Alleluia Alleluia! Speak Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

TODAY IS PEACE SUNDAY ~ This year's theme of 'Education, work and dialogue between generations: tools for building lasting peace,' has been taken from Pope Francis' World Peace Day message on 1 January: "All can work together to build a more peaceful world, starting from the hearts of individuals and relationships in the family, then within society and with the environment, and all the way up to relationships between peoples and nations." Archbishop McMahon, President of Pax Christi says, "We are all conscious of the need to restore and rebuild our communities here and around the world, accepting that we need new ways of working and relating to each other. The Christian message of peace, through reconciliation, justice and nonviolence, can offer hope and direction in these times." Please reflect on, pray and work for peace in your everyday lives.

**THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY** ~ Begins this week (18-25 January). This year's theme: "We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship Him." was chosen by the Middle East Council of Churches, to evoke the experience of the Three Kings coming to adore the Lord. Please pray and work for unity among all Christians. For further details, click on: https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2022-01/pope-francis-close-week-prayer-christian-unity.html

**FED UP WITH COVID?** ~ Join us on our Parish Trip to **Walsingham**. The coach will depart Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March and return on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March. During our stay we will be stopping at the Anglican hostel, which is very nice indeed with good food! A prayerful day will be spent around the shrine, but we will also have a relaxing outing (either to Norwich or the coast, depending on the weather). 31 people have already

booked on this trip, but we can take up to 49. £240 Pick up a form, or contact the Parish Office.

### MASS TIMES: 16th - 23rd January 2022

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PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Doreen Lovett & Iris Tildsley who have recently died and for all our departed brothers and sisters.

**BAPTISM** ~ Congratulations to Oscar Wilson & Willow West who were baptised last weekend. Please keep them and all families in your prayers

#### A Message from Deacon Andy:

"Dear friends and parishioners, As many of you know, my wife Helen has had surgery and on-going treatment for breast cancer, all this while in the middle of the pandemic! She is classed as 'at risk' to infection and is undergoing treatment to prevent the cancer returning. This along with other personal reasons is why we are currently no longer assisting with the music at St Wilfrid's or involved with other Parish activities. Helen would like to personally thank everyone for the love, prayers and support she has received during this time. May I wish you all God's blessings in this coming year." Deacon Andy

Please keep Andy, Helen and their family in your prayers.

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