

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

Second Sunday of Advent Year B **10th December 2023**

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2nd Sunday of Advent

Mark 1: 1-8

The world & the Church always need prophet-precursors who call for conversion.

Whenever they appear, there is the “beginning of the gospel” for those who do not yet know Christ. In the Church, in the Christian communities, at the heart of all renewal, of all new beginnings, we find prophets, sometimes invested with a ministry, often without any official title, but in every case animated by the Spirit of the Father, who reveals his secrets to the meek & the humble. (*Days of the Lord - Advent*)

RECONCILIATION SERVICES ~ Monday 11th Dec., at St Bede's 7.00pm / Friday 15th Dec., at St Thomas Becket 6.00pm / Monday 18th December at St Wilfrid's 7.00pm

BAPTISM ~ Congratulations to Rosalita Stokes and her family. Rosalita was recently baptized.

WINTER SOUP ~ Join us at St Wilfrid's on Saturdays after Middy Mass for soup and a chat. Thanks to the Ladies Fellowship group for organising this.

A PRAYER SERVICE ~ Combining hymns and prayers will take place this coming Thursday at Acorn Hollow Nursing Home, Lostock Gralam 11.00am. Come, and join in the singing.

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 Wednesday 27th Dec. 10.00am.

THE BOSTOCK SINGERS ~ Will be performing in St Wilfrid's Church this coming Tuesday 7.30pm. Proceeds to Stick & Step (Cerebral Palsey) £10 per adult / under 16s free.

A CRIB FESTIVAL ~ Organized by St. Bede's school, is taking place in St Bede's Church this weekend. Thanks to the children, families and staff who have made this possible.

SVP ~ “Thank you to all who attended the St Bede's Music Night on the 28th November. A special thanks to those who sang, donated prizes, made cakes... to all who made it a very enjoyable evening. £330 was raised for SVP projects.”

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 10th - 17th December 2023

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Joe Clementson
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Brian & Beryl Wilkinson
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Adrian Prescott / Albert Rowbottom
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Parishioners
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Joyce Sharp
MONDAY		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Arthur Guwynn
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Reconciliation Service</i>
TUESDAY		
12.00pm	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Pat Austin
6.00 – 6.55pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Dennis Chiles & David Murray
WEDNESDAY		
	ST LUCY	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Ximenes Family
THURSDAY		
	ST JOHN OF THE CROSS	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Domingos Barreto Aureuad Costa
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Victor & Denise Brzezicki
FRIDAY		
6.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Saro, Nella, Emanuele & Lucia Goodcore
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Una & Joe Brzezicki
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Michael Bailey
2.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Requiem ~ Vincent Murphy</i>
6.00pm	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	<i>Reconciliation Service</i>
SATURDAY		
11.00 – 11.50am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Sacrament of Reconciliation
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	David, Sarah & John Boylan
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Hannah Rose
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Robert Kennough
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT YR B		
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Margaret Heyes
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Kath Plumb & Willy Walsh
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ John Marron, Frank Corrigan, Pat Delauney, Renee Barlow, Vincent Murphy, Michael Bailey, Patrick Murphy and all who have died recently. *Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.*

200 CLUB ~ Congratulations to Claire Tymon & Marie Hornby. December Winners!

ACN CHRISTMAS CARDS ~ Are still available. Speak to Terry :- 01606 854454

PARISH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS ~ Are available at the back of church with a list of prizes on the notice board. Proceeds of the raffle will fund recent expenditures: leaking roof, boiler repair, asbestos removal, to name but a few. Thanks for your support!

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES ~ **St Wilfrid's** ~ 5.00pm & 11.30pm *Christmas Eve* / 9.15am *Christmas Day*;
St Thomas Becket ~ 5.30pm *Christmas Eve* / 11.00am *Christmas Day*;
St Bede's ~ 6.00pm *Christmas Eve* / 11.15am *Christmas Day*;
Our Lady's ~ 8.00pm *Christmas Eve*

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. A suggested donation of £10 is invited. For catering purposes, please let us know by tomorrow (Monday) if you would like to join us. Give Ray a ring on: 07484 157355

PARISH FINANCE ~ Sunday Collection £825.77. Thank you for your generosity.