

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

## 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. Yr C 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2025

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### Luke 12:13-21

The rich fool in the parable discovered too late that material wealth is not a permanent possession. Because he had devoted all his energy to amassing property, he had nothing to call his own, and death disclosed his essential poverty. The only possessions worthy of man's striving are those that death cannot take away.

G.B. Caird ~ Saint Luke

**FR HENRY SOMAH** ~ SMA (*Society of African Missions*) Gave the Annual Mission Appeal last weekend. He thanks you all for your warm and generous welcome. £2,000 was raised.

**THE PARISH SUMMER FAYRE** ~ Thank you to all those who supported the Parish Fayre. £1100.00 was raised for Parish funds.

**MARRIAGE HELP** ~ Retrouvaille helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage. For further details go to: [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) Tel: 0788 7296983. Their next weekend is: 17th-19th Oct.

**PARISH TRIPS 2026** ~ Two main trips are planned for next year:

Walsingham ~ 23<sup>rd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> March £330

Shrines of France ~ 15<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> September £1,100

For full details & Booking Forms, please contact the Parish Office.

**KITWOOD NURSING HOME PRAYER SERVICE** ~ This coming Thursday at 11.00am. All welcome.

**HOUSE MASS** ~ In Tarporley this coming Friday 12pm. Contact the Parish Office. All welcome.

**POPE LEO'S PLEA FOR GAZA** ~ "Starvation is spreading across Gaza as the Israeli government's siege starves the people of Gaza. People are being killed at food distribution sites. Supplies are exhausted, and more lives are being lost each day. Pope Leo has appealed for "an immediate halt to the barbarity of the war." Decisive action is needed now. This is not just a humanitarian crisis - it's the systematic erosion of what makes us human." How can you help?

Go to: [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk) for further details.

## TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 3<sup>rd</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025

5.30pm ( <i>vigil</i> )	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Margaret Ollier
6.00pm ( <i>vigil</i> )	<i>St Bede's</i>	Barbara & Jeremy Shaw
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Carolynne & Dave 50 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Ann
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>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	John McHugh Int
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b><i>St John Vianney</i></b>	
11.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Requiem ~ Les Leather</i>
7.00pm ( <i>preceded by Holy Hour</i> )	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Parishioners</i>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b><i>The Dedication of The Basilica of St Mary Major</i></b>	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Service of Word &amp; Communion</i>
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Matthew / Terry Kane
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b><i>The Transfiguration of The Lord</i></b>	
11.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Requiem ~ Annie Stott</i>
12.00pm ( <i>Rosary at 11.30am</i> )	<i>Our Lady's</i>	<i>Service of Word &amp; Communion</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b><i>Ss Sixtus 11 &amp; Companions</i></b>	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Marjorie Askew
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Paliban Mistry
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b><i>St Dominic</i></b>	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Schofield Family Int
11.00am	<i>House Mass in Tarporley</i>	
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Service of Word &amp; Communion</i>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b><i>St Teresa Benedictus of The Cross</i></b>	
11.00 – 11.50am ( <i>Exposition</i> )	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Les Leather
5.30pm ( <i>vigil</i> )	<i>Our Lady's</i>	John Ridd
6.00pm ( <i>vigil</i> )	<i>St Bede's</i>	Domingos & Mimi Barreto
<b>19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY YR C</b>		
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Andy Murphy
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Joan Cosgrove</i>
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ~** All who have died recently, especially Patricia Edwards, Annie Stott, Les Leather, David Hodgkinson and all who have gone before us in faith.

**LOURDES 2025** ~ Over 430 pilgrims from across the Diocese, including 125 youth, joined with Bishop Mark and clergy last week for the Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Lourdes was packed, with many English dioceses present, including Westminster, Liverpool, Lancaster, Hexham & Newcastle and so many old friendships were rekindled and new ones made. It was also very much, a time of prayer with our daily Diocesan celebrations. Candles were lit for you and your intentions were remembered at Our Lady's Grotto.  
Why not join us next year: 31 July – 6 August 2026?

**The Feast of St John Vianney** ~ The Patron our our Pastoral area, is celebrated tomorrow (Monday). Please note a 7.00pm Mass at St Wilfrid's. This will be preceded by an Hour before the Blessed Sacrament, praying for our Parish Community. Do come and join us for part, or the whole of it.

"A pure soul is like a fine pearl. As long as it is hidden in the shell, at the bottom of the sea, no one thinks of admiring it. But if you bring it into the sunshine, this pearl will shine and attract all eyes. Thus the pure soul, which is hidden from the eyes of the world, will one day shine before the Angels in the sunshine of eternity."

(St John Vianney)

**THE FIRST OF OUR SUMMER DAY TRIPS** ~ Takes place this Tuesday to sunny West Kirby.  
Ideal for families. Speak to Fr Paul for further details.

**BIBLE ALIVE** ~ Is a monthly Catholic scripture magazine which draws its strength, inspiration, and direction from the liturgical calendar. Highly recommended. Just £4 for a double issue.  
For further details contact the Parish Office or go directly to: <https://alivepublishing.co.uk>

**PARISH FINANCE** ~ £950.80. Thank you for your generosity.

**JUBILEE 2025 ~ THE YEAR OF HOPE!**

“Christ is all, and in all.”