

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

CHRISTMAS DAY & HOLY FAMILY December 2025

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“God's sign is the baby in need of help and in poverty... God made himself small so that we could understand him, welcome him, and love him. Christmas has become the feast of gifts in imitation of God who has given himself to us. Let us allow our heart, our soul, and our mind to be touched by this fact!”

Pope Benedict XVI

THANKS TO ALL ~ Who help clean, decorate & help our churches run smoothly not just at this time of Christmas, but through out the year, making them such warm & welcoming places. Thanks also who help plan liturgies and assist with music. It is greatly appreciated. New volunteers are always welcome.

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 25th December 2025 - 4th January 20

4.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners
5.30pm	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
6.00pm (5.30pm Carols)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Rose Marie Walsh
8.00pm	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Parishioners
11.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Broder & Pilling Family
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Mary Cosgrove
10.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Parishioners / Jones Family
<u>BOXING DAY</u>		
<i>ST STEPHEN</i>		
10.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Peter Moores
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Pat Cummins
<u>SATURDAY</u>		
<i>ST JOHN</i>		
11.00 – 11.50am (<i>Exposition</i>)	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Morris Family & Friends
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	John & Sheila Ridd
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Vincent Gorman
<u>SUNDAY</u>		
<i>THE HOLY FAMILY</i>		
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Thanksgiving ~ To Our Blessed Lady
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Parishioners / Joan Cosgrove
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Ray Hodnett
<u>MONDAY</u>		
<i>ST THOMAS BECKET</i>		
10.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Deceased of the Parish
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	
<u>TUESDAY</u>		
<i>CHRISTMAS OCTAVE</i>		
10.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	John Joseph Cassidy
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Mimi Int
<u>NEW YEAR'S EVE</u>		
<i>CHRISTMAS OCTAVE</i>		
10.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Souls</i>
12.00pm (<i>11.30 Rosary</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Sr Cecilia Int
<u>NEW YEAR'S DAY</u>		
<i>MARY, MOTHER OF GOD</i>		
10.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Halina & Mike Jaworowski
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Tony Quinn
<u>FRIDAY</u>		
<i>SS BASIL & GREGORY</i>		
10.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Shirley Gylee
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Margaret Hempstall
<u>SATURDAY</u>		
<i>The Most Holy Name of Jesus</i>		
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>	Canon John Gordon Int
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Pat & Phylis Barry
<u>SUNDAY</u>		
<i>SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS</i>		
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Carole & Ged Doherty
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Sal, Hester, Piotipitus, Cecilia
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Jaqui McLelland & Sean Stokes who have died recently.

A CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL MASS ~ For all our loved ones, but especially those who have died during the past 12 months, will be celebrated at St Wilfrid's on Monday 29th December. 10am.

CAROLYNNE & DAVE ~ Would like to invite you to visit their Outdoor Crib and Christmas Garden at: Hill Cottage, 67 Beach Rd, Hartford. Admission is free, but any donations to Alder Hey Children's Hospital are warmly welcomed. Please park in their drive, not in the traffic light junction!



Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

“Our Lord spent three hours in redeeming, three years in teaching, & thirty years in obeying, in order that a rebellious, proud, & diabolically independent world might learn the value of obedience.”

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED ~ A message from Terry thanking you for your outstanding generosity leading up to Christmas. A grand total of £2,148.77 was raised through the sale of cards and donations for the Church in need throughout the world.

On Behalf of Sr Phyllis, Deacon David, Fr Ambrose, Fr Jim & Fr Joe ~ Can I wish you all a very Happy & Holy Christmas! Thanks to all of you who make up our Parish family, not just those on the front line, but to those who slip into church for a quiet prayer each week; for those who live their faith each day caring for others; for the housebound - those unable to get to church - who support us with their prayers. Thanks to all of you for bearing witness to your faith in your everyday trials and difficulties and in so doing, making God present to all. May your faith be renewed during this time of grace – **Fr Paul**