

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

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A 18th January 2026

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John 1: 29-34

And he himself was the true Temple, the living Temple where God dwells & where we can encounter God & worship him. His Blood, the love of the One who is both Son of God & true man, one of us, is the Blood that can save... The nostalgic, in a certain sense, ineffectual gesture which was the sacrifice of an innocent & perfect lamb, found a response in the One who for our sake became at the same time Lamb & Temple.

Pope Benedict XVI

BAPTISM ~ Congratulations to James Devine, & Arlo Janiak who were baptised last Sunday.

1ST COMMUNION PREPARATION ~ Will officially begin next Sunday when our young children will be enrolled into their program. Reconciliation will be celebrated in Lent and First Communions will be celebrated in Easter tide. Say a little prayer for them.

THE BREAD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP ~ re-commences on Monday 26th January at 7pm at St Bede's Weaverham. All are welcome. Contact Deacon David for more details.

ALIVE IN THE WORD, ALIVE IN THE EUCHARIST ~ As we approach Lent, a time of Reflection and Training for all **Readers & Ministers of the Eucharist** has been set aside. If you are involved in these ministries please make it a priority to join us at St Bede's on **Tuesday 24th February 2.00pm** or at St Wilfrid's on **Thursday 26th February 7.00pm**. This will be a time of prayer and the opportunity to share good practice with others. This is also a wonderful opportunity for anyone who feels called to these ministries. It would be a great help if you could notify the Parish Office of your attendance, in order that we can prepare some light refreshments. Thank you to all who give their time and effort in serving our parish community – Fr Paul

LENT ~ Is on the horizon - 18th February! Cafod are inviting you to sign up for their 'Big Lent Walk', 200km in 40 days. Go to: cafod.org.uk
Any suggestions for Parish activities this Lent? Contact the Parish Office.

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 18th - 25th January 2026

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Alex Kemp
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Parishioners
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	George McLaughlan
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Sal, Hester, Piti & Celia
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Rose Maloney / Sean Stokes
MONDAY		
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Simon
TUESDAY		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Service of Word & Communion</i>
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Paddy Fannon
WEDNESDAY		
12.00am (<i>11.30 Rosary</i>)	<i>St Agnes</i> <i>Our Lady's</i>	Mimi & Castiella Int.
THURSDAY		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Service of Word & Communion</i>
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Mary & Barry Preece
FRIDAY		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	David, Sarah & John Boylan
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Dennis Simpson
SATURDAY		
11.00 – 11.50am (<i>Exposition</i>)	<i>St Francis De Sales</i> <i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Linda Collins
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Nancy Dickson
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Laurence Davies
SUNDAY		
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners / John Askew
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Claire Tymon Int
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Clary France

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Vera Rogers, Brian Phillips who have died recently.

LLANDUDNO ~ Thanks to all who have booked on our Parish February Trip to Llandudno.
Please pick up a Letter from the Parish Office or via email.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY ~ Begins today. You are invited to Chester Cathedral tonight (Sunday) 5.00pm., for a joint Service. Please keep this Intention in your prayers.

MARRIAGE WEEK ~ 7th - 14th February, is an annual celebration offering the opportunity to support and promote marriage and family life. Jane Deegan the Director for Marriage and Family Life Vocation is seeking to build a team of volunteers to support this vital ministry in the Diocese. Two Retreat days have been run to date with another being arranged for April. If you would like to volunteer in any capacity and/or would like to find out more please contact: jane.deegan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

MISSIO ~ Have you ever wondered what Mission looks like in Mongolia, home to the youngest Catholic community and church in the world? This is your chance to find out. You are invited to St Peter's, Hazel Grove on Wednesday 4th Feb., to spend an evening with Cardinal Giorgio Marengo – a Consolata Missionary. 7.00pm Mass followed by talk and refreshments.
Essential to book. Contact: redbox@mission.org.uk

A BRAND NEW ~ Hospital like bed, with remote control, is available. Free of charge, but you must arrange pick up. For further details contact the Parish Office.

FUTURE DATES: 29th January – Singing at Daneside Mews / 6th February – Mass at Anderton Court

FINANCE ~ £1,043.80. Thank you.