

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

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A 15th February 2026

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Matthew 5:17-37

“For the third consecutive Sunday the Gospel is from the Sermon on the Mount where Jesus sets out his programme for the Kingdom. . . . Religious rules, when exaggerated, depress growth and inner development of character. But when prudently applied they point the direction towards the fullness of life and love and the redeeming of our wayward energies.”

Silvester O' Flynn O.F.M. Cap

ASH WEDNESDAY ~ Marks the beginning of our 40 day journey to Easter. Traditionally, Lent was a time of preparation for baptism at Easter; for us it is a time when we prepare to renew our baptismal promises: *to turn away from sin; to love God & to serve our neighbour*. Please note the times of Ash Wednesday Masses & all the extra activities taking place during this holy season. [Pick up a special leaflet listing Lenten activities. Enjoy!](#)

CONGRATULATIONS ~ To St Bede's school on achieving 'Outstanding' in all areas in their recent Catholic School Inspection. This is a testament to the dedication, faith and hard work of the leadership team, staff, pupils, governors and families. A great school! Visit: www.st-bedes.cheshire.sch.uk

BAPTISM ~ Congratulations to John Gleave who was Baptized last weekend.

'BREAD OF LIFE' PRAYER GROUP ~ Will meet again on Monday 23rd February. 7pm at St Bede's.

A HOUSE MASS ~ Will be celebrated in the Tarporley area this Tuesday at Midday. All welcome. For further details, please contact the Parish Office.

MARY'S MEALS ~ Over the past two years our Parish has been sponsoring children at Ndundundu School in Zambia. Thanks to your continued generosity, I have agreed to support them for a third year. The total cost of this year's sponsorship is £5,573. It sounds a lot, but for this, over 270 children are guaranteed a hot meal every school day for a whole year! Thanks to Our Lady's for getting us going, donating £100 from their tea & coffee fund. ~ Fr Paul
www.marysmeals.org.uk

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 15th - 22nd February 2026

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Carl Pommer
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Phyllis & Pat Barry
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Thanksgiving
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Joan Cosgrove
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Les Leather
MONDAY		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Maura Reilly
TUESDAY		
10.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	UCM Int / Luigia Allison
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Private Int
ASH WEDNESDAY		
10.00am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	James & Mary Waters
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Claire Tymon Int
12.00pm (<i>11.30 Rosary</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Edmundu Guterres
7.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Rose Maloney / Sean Stokes
THURSDAY		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Terry Swales
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Beryl & Brian Wilkinson
FRIDAY		
6.30am*	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Tony Wilcox
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Anthony & Agnes Pojuner
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Kathleen Fannon
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
SATURDAY		
11.00 – 11.50am (<i>Exposition</i>)	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Phil Dew
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Parishioners
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Mrs F. G Int
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT		
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 Banali
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Private Int (Fr. P)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ~ Lyn Moorhead, John McDonald, Fr Paul O'Grady, Brian Aspinall and Erika Eber who have died recently and for all who have gone before us, marked with the sign of faith.

ST NICHOLAS' HIGH SCHOOL ~ Are celebrating their 60th Anniversary. As part of their celebration they are holding an 'Afternoon Tea' on Thursday 26th March 4.30pm. They would love to welcome past pupils, former staff, governors, and friends of the school to join them, to see how the school has grown and changed over the years. There will be guided tours, displays of old photographs, and refreshments. A wonderful chance to reminisce and reconnect. Email address for memories and to book a place for our Afternoon tea: - alumni@st-nicholas.cheshire.sch.uk

~ LENTEN COURSES ~

Reflecting on the **Sunday Gospels of Lent** is available on line. Starts: This Tuesday at 7pm.

For further details and to register, go to: www.comeandsee.org/lent26

“We Dare To Ask” Go to: www.cbcew.org.uk/we-dare-to-ask/

FINANCE ~ £ 1016.05. Thank you.