

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

Fourth Sunday of Lent Yr A
15th March 2026

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JOHN 9: 1-41

The Church Father's see in the healing of the blind man, the direct continuation of the creation of Adam. In the beginning, they say, God formed a body from the earth and breathed the breath of life into it. Now, in the fullness of time, the Son of God comes to heal the man whom Satan's darkness has made blind... Jesus takes a bit of the earth's slime, makes clay of it, and puts it on the eye of the blind man. The incarnate God moistens the earth with his spittle. Things of heaven and things of earth, earth's matter and God's life, just come together to make man and to make him anew.

Sr. Aemiliana Lohr OSB

FIRST SACRAMENTS ~ Our young adults began their preparation for Confirmation last week and this week our young children will be celebrating their First Reconciliation. Please keep them and their families in your prayers. Thank you to the Catechists who are generously giving their time to journey with them.

A LENTEN LUNCH ~ (Soup & bread) will take place after Saturday Midday Mass.
All proceeds to our Lenten charities. Thanks to all who are volunteering.

A HEALING MASS ~ Will be celebrated tomorrow (Monday) at St Bede's. 7.00pm.
Fr Frankie Mulgrew. will be the Celebrant. Praise and worship led by members of
"One Hope Project". All welcome.

SPONSORED WALK ~ As part of the Cafod Walk, you are invited to join us next Saturday (departing from St Wilfrid's at 9.15am) for a Sponsored Walk between our three churches (approx 10 miles). If this is too much for you, feel free to join us for just part of it. Young and old – All are welcome.
Please contact the Parish Office for further details." Fr Paul

DAY TRIP TO ELLESMERE & SHREWSBURY ~ Join us on Easter Tuesday (7th April) for a Day Trip to the Poor Clare's at Ellesmere, where Mass will be celebrated and then on to Shrewsbury for some shopping therapy. £15 (under 18's £5). Speak to Anne for further details: 07484879693

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

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Margaret & Thomas McHugh
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Erika Eber
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Terry Swales
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	John McDonald
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	UCM Intention
MONDAY		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Sean Stokes
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Healing Mass</i>
TUESDAY		
10.00am (<i>9.00am Exposition</i>)	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Catherine Flood / Elizabeth Harris
12.30pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Requiem</i> ~ Lynne Moorhead
7.00pm (<i>6.00pm Exposition</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Danny & Claire Bennett
WEDNESDAY		
12.00pm (<i>11.15am Stations</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Rose Maloney
THURSDAY		
9.30am (<i>8.30am Exposition</i>)	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Lou Allison
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Tony Jones
FRIDAY		
6.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Vincent's Int
9.30am (<i>8.30am Exposition</i>)	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Brzezicki & Heesom Families
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Joan Cosgrove
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>	Maureen Hensman
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Nancy & Tommy Dickson
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Frank Paige
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT		
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Mary Cosgrove
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Lynne Moorhead
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Chris & Harold Brierley

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ~ Patrick Cullen, Anne Plumb, Frank Grunfeld, Rosemary Kin, Lynne Moorhead and all who have died recently and for all who have gone before us, marked with the sign of faith.

WOMAN KIND ~ Is a Charity, helping women to overcome gender inequality, especially in the Third World, where domestic violence and male dominance is crippling women daily. For further information and to support this Charity go to: www.womankind.org.uk/iwd-2026

WE WILL BE SINGING ~ This week at Daneside Mews Nursing Home (Monday 11.00am); at Davenham Hall (Thursday 11.15am) and at Kitwood House (Friday 11.00am). Do come and join us.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE ~ Monday 23rd – Thursday 26th March. Could all Pilgrims, please email to receive (or pick up a letter) giving departure details.

FINANCE ~ £902.23. Thank you.

MOTHERING SUNDAY

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the gift of mothers, those who nurture, guide, and love with patience and wisdom. We celebrate the peace they bring into our homes, creating safe spaces for growth and love. Bless all who care for us, whether through motherhood or other acts of kindness. May they feel Your peace in their hearts and experience Your strength each day. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.