

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

## Seventeenth Sunday Year A

26<sup>th</sup> July 2026

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| <b>Our Lady of Fatima</b><br>Churchfields,<br><b>Barnton</b><br>CW8 4UR | <b>St Bede's</b><br>Church Lane,<br><b>Weaverham</b><br>CW8 3NP | <b>St Thomas Becket</b><br>3 Nantwich Road<br><b>Tarporley</b><br>CW6 9UN | <b>St Wilfrid's</b><br>142 Witton Street,<br><b>Northwich</b><br>CW9 5NP |
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### TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES

26 July ~ 2 August 2026

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| 5.30pm ( <i>vigil</i> )               | <i>Our Lady's</i>                                           | Margaret Ollier                      |
| 6.00pm ( <i>vigil</i> )               | <i>St Bede's</i>                                            | Parishioners                         |
| 9.15am                                | <i>St Wilfrid's</i>                                         | Evelyne Simpson                      |
| 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>Holy Hour</i>                     |
| 5.30pm                                | <i>St Wilfrid's</i>                                         | Denis Roberts                        |
| <b>MONDAY</b>                         |                                                             |                                      |
| 9.30am                                | <i>St Wilfrid's</i>                                         | Michael Hartigan                     |
| 1.00pm                                | <i>St Wilfrid's</i>                                         | <i>Marriage</i> ~ John & Jodie Marie |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>                        |                                                             |                                      |
| 9.30am                                | <i>St Wilfrid's</i>                                         | Thomas Abraham                       |
| 7.00pm                                | <i>St Bede's</i>                                            | Harry Glynn                          |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b>                      |                                                             |                                      |
| 12.00am ( <i>Rosary 11.30am</i> )     | <i>Ss Mary, Martha &amp; Lazarus</i><br><i>Our Lady's</i>   | Bob Potts                            |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>                       |                                                             |                                      |
| 9.30am                                | <i>St Peter Chrysologus</i><br><i>St Wilfrid's</i>          | Tome Da Costa                        |
| 10.00am                               | <i>St Bede's</i>                                            | Jim Rafferty                         |
| 11.30pm                               | <i>St Bede's</i>                                            | <i>Funeral</i> ~ Maureen Brady       |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>                         |                                                             |                                      |
| 9.30am ( <i>8.30am Exposition</i> )   | <i>St Ignatius of Loyola</i><br><i>St Wilfrid's</i>         | John Sherlock                        |
| 12.00pm                               | <i>St Bede's</i>                                            | Don Fitzsimmons                      |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>                       |                                                             |                                      |
| 11.00 – 11.50am ( <i>Exposition</i> ) | <i>St Alphonsus Mary Liguori</i><br><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 & Sheila Ridd                   |
| 6.00pm ( <i>vigil</i> )               | <i>St Bede's</i>                                            | Shaw Family                          |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>                         |                                                             |                                      |
| 9.15am                                | <i>18<sup>th</sup> Sunday Year A</i><br><i>St Wilfrid's</i> | Fr John Felgueiras                   |
| 11.00am                               | <i>St Thomas Becket</i>                                     | Priest's Int                         |
| 11.15am                               | <i>St Bede's</i>                                            | Maureen Brady                        |
| 4.00pm                                | <i>St Wilfrid's</i>                                         | <i>Holy Hour</i>                     |
| 5.30pm                                | <i>St Wilfrid's</i>                                         | Parishioners                         |

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Barbara Graves & Maureen Brady who have died recently.

### Matthew 13: 44-52

The seven parables that the liturgy has chosen for us (over the past three Sundays) have for their unique subject the mystery of the kingdom of heaven: its revelation, its unfolding, the role reserved for us, the demands we must submit to in order to be admitted into it, its fulfilment at the end of time... We can only understand these parables & put their teaching into practice in the light of the Spirit, in prayer & meditation... Only by being familiar with the one who pronounced the parables can we probe their meaning &, having become his disciples, be “like the head of the household who brings from his storeroom both the new & the old.”  
Days of the Lord. Year A.

**BAPTISM** ~ Congratulations to Eden Tyler who was recently baptised. Please keep him and all our young families in your prayers over the summer holidays.

**LEARNING ABOUT THE FAITH** ~ Over the past several months various adults have approached us seeking either to be baptized, or simply to learn more about the Catholic faith. In response to this, we are starting a series of evenings, beginning on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September, reflecting on the Christian faith. These will be held at St Bede's, 7.00 – 9.00pm. If you would like to participate in these sessions, or, if you are able to assist. Please contact the Parish Office.

**OUR LADY'S SVP** ~ Will be meeting this Tuesday at 9.30am in the Church Hall. All welcome.

**THE DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE** ~ Sets out this Thursday. Thanks to the wonder of technology, you can participate by going to: <https://www.lourdes-france.com> So, you can join us next Sunday (8.30am) for the *International Mass* and on Monday for the *Mass at the Grotto* (9.00am). Also, each evening, there is the *Torchlight procession* (8.00pm).

During the Pilgrimage we will be praying for the following Intentions: For Pope Leo / For our departed Brothers & Sisters / For all Christians, that we may respond to the message of prayer and conversion, walking together in Eucharistic faith and love / For vocations in our Diocese, to the great callings of Marriage, the Priesthood and the Consecrated Life / For peace in our world / For the dignity of life, from the moment of conception to natural death / That through the intercession of Our Lady and St Bernadette, we will always live in the joy of the Gospel.

**OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE** ~ The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill is back in the House of Commons and seeks to legalise assisted suicide. It will have its Second Reading and vote on Friday 11 September 2026. Please write to your MP to make your voice heard and oppose the Bill. For further details, go to:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide>  
<https://www.righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote>

**ST LUKE'S HOSPICE** ~ We have received a letter from St Luke's, thanking everyone who supported Therese Kielty's 100 km sponsored walk to Santiago de Compostella. £1,724.70 was raised, which will provide 55 hours of nursing care. Thank you.

**MANY THANKS** ~ For two donations to Cafod recently received: £800 (Simon) & £40.  
**SUNDAY OFFERING** ~ £959.20. Thank you for your generosity.

*Man, why do you have so low opinion of yourself, when you are so precious to God?  
Why do you so dishonour yourself when you are so honoured by God? Why do you enquire about where you were made and not ask why you were made?*

*St Peter Chrysologus*