

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

Sixteenth Sunday Year A 19th July 2026

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TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES 19th - 26th July 2026

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Parishioners
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Joan Cosgrove
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Helena Ximenes
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Don Fitzsimmons
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Morrey Family
MONDAY		
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's School Mass</i>	Schofield Family
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Rose Maloney
TUESDAY	<i>St Lawrence of Brindisi</i>	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Lisa Murphy
7.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Sr Catherine
WEDNESDAY	<i>ST MARY MAGDALENE</i>	
11.00am	<i>Mass at Arley Hall</i>	Ashbrook Family Int
THURSDAY	<i>St BRIDGET</i>	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Lorenzo, Maria & Rita Falzon
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Terry & Wyn Gorman
FRIDAY	<i>St Sharbel Makhluf</i>	
9.30am (8.30am Exposition)	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Hugh McGill
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Jim Rafferty
SATURDAY	<i>ST JAMES</i>	
11.00 – 11.50am (Exposition)	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Inacia Soares
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Margaret Ollier
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Parishioners
SUNDAY	<i>17th Sunday Year A</i>	
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

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ~ Tony Purcell, Maureen Brady,
and all who have died recently.

Matthew 13

... But the real surprise comes at the master's reaction when the servants, overcome with anxiety, want to dash into the field and pull out the weeds on the spot. Rather than becoming obsessed like them with the presence of evil. The serene farmer...does not think that the power of the weeds to choke is superior to the power of the wheat to grow and thrive... Until the time of the harvest at the end of the age, it is the disciple's business to preach the Gospel of repentance. Jesus's explicit commands to them have nothing to do with judging and purging. Quite on the contrary, his last words to them would be: Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations.

Erasmo Leiva-Merikakis

ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND ~ On behalf of Deacon David and myself, a big 'Thank you' to all who participated in last week's Celebrations. To all who helped prepare, to those who worked hard on the day and to all who simply were present, marking David's 20th Anniversary as a Deacon and my 40th Anniversary as a Priest. It was truly a community celebration, and will remain as one of the most memorable events of our ministries. Thank you also for the many gifts, cards and Mass offerings, too many to acknowledge individually, but all, gratefully received. Please be assured of our prayers. ~ Fr Paul

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

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS ~ Break up over the coming days for a well deserved rest. It has been a very successful academic year with many achievements. A big 'Thank you' to all our Staff who give so much to our children & young people under their care. We wish students and staff a safe and relaxing holiday.

A PARISH DAY TRIP TO ARLEY HALL ~ Takes place this Wednesday. Mass will be celebrated in Arley Hall Chapel at 11.00am. Please meet at the Reception at 10.45am. All welcome.

WE WILL BE SINGING ~ At Daneside Mews Nursing Home this Tuesday 11.00am. Do come and support the singing.

MARRIAGE IN A RUT? ~ Or need help with deeper issues? Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find hope and healing in their marriage. www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info

ALUMNI CHOIR ~ Ruth Blake (O'Hare) is starting a new choir from former members of St. Nicholas's. For further information email:- ruthmarie3573@icloud.com 07771925715. All welcome.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE ~ Fr Paul will be traveling to Lourdes with the Diocese on the 30th July. If anyone would like a petition to be placed at the Grotto, or a candle lit, please have a word with him.

THANK YOU ~ For a very generous donation of £1,000, which I received this week, to help with the heating of our churches.

Hold the hand of the Lord, and talk to him any time you wish. There is not a time to pray and a time not to pray. To pray is to pray always. You hold the hand of God. Sometimes you talk to him, sometimes you don't, but you are with him all the time!... Prayer is simply the communication that constantly passes between you and the Lord. Prayer is conversation with him. You don't need to understand how you talk to God. You just do it. He loves to listen to you and especially delights in your silence when you listen to him. Most of us are not used to praying as life flows along. We're used to "taking time" for prayer.

In truth, we should be praying all the time. Prayer never stops.

Catherine De Hueck Doherty