

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

The Assumption of Our Blessed Lady

16th August 2026

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TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES

16th ~ 23rd August 2026

5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Canon John Int
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Jim Rafferty
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>	John McDonald
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Parishioners
MONDAY		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Enid Stanton Int.
TUESDAY		
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Schofield Family Int.
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Maureen & Hugh Brady
1.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Marriage</i> ~ Caroline Ward & Keiran Nevin
WEDNESDAY	<i>St John Eudes</i>	
12.00am (<i>Rosary 11.30am</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Lisa Murphy
THURSDAY	<i>St Bernard</i>	
9.30am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	David & Anne Harrison Int
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	<i>Service of Word & Communion</i>
FRIDAY	<i>St Pius X</i>	
9.30am (<i>8.30am Exposition</i>)	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	James Moores
12.00pm	<i>St Bede's</i>	Martin Blake / Rachel Waters Int
SATURDAY	<i>The Queenship of The Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	
11.00 – 11.50am (<i>Exposition</i>)	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
12.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Fr John Bielawski
5.30pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>Our Lady's</i>	Parishioners
6.00pm (<i>vigil</i>)	<i>St Bede's</i>	Avo Tome
SUNDAY	<i>21st Sunday Year A</i>	
9.15am	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	George Gaffney
11.00am	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	Priest's Int
11.15am	<i>St Bede's</i>	Angela Kennedy
4.00pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	<i>Holy Hour</i>
5.30pm	<i>St Wilfrid's</i>	Joanita Patrico

PLEASE PRAY FOR ~ Pieter Brand who has died recently and for all our departed brothers and sisters.

THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

'It is time for me' (says the Lord) 'to bring you, my mother home. As you have filled the earth with joy, so shall you now bring joy to heaven, bring gladness to the mansions of my Father... Come therefore with exceeding great joy! For you above all creatures are worthy of being hailed full of grace... Mother! You bore me as your only Son, is it not your wish to dwell with me? I shall proclaim the world your debtor. In heaven your name shall be held in yet greater glory. For I shall build you up as a wall to defend the world, a rampart against floods, a staff to those led by the hand, an advocate for sinners, and, at the end, a stairway to lead humanity safely to heaven. Come then joyfully! Open the gates of paradise closed by Eve... Enter into the joy of your Son.'

(St Germanus of Constantinople – In Praise of Mary, Mother of God)

WE WILL BE SINGING ~ In Davenham Hall Nursing Home this coming Thursday at 11.15pm.

Also, we will be at Daneside Mews on Thursday 27th August (11am) and at Iddenshall Care Home, Tarporley on Wednesday 2nd Sep (2.00pm). Do come and join us.

SHRINES OF FRANCE ~ Our pilgrimage is fast approaching. There will be a meeting at St Wilfrid's on Thursday 3rd September 6.30pm for all who have booked. Further details from Fr Paul.

YOUTH GATHERINGS ~ In September we are looking at starting a Parish Youth Group for young people of High School age. This will be in St Wilfrid's Hall on Friday evenings. Interested, either to attend, or to help out? Please speak to a member of the Parish Team or contact the Parish Office.

TERRY'S GARDEN MASS ~ Which was postponed earlier this year, will now take place on Tuesday 25th August 11am at The Court House, Weaverham CW8 3JQ. All Welcome. If possible, could you bring your own garden chair. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

LEARNING ABOUT THE FAITH ~ Over the past several months various adults have approach 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 15th 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.

CAFOD SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! ~ Could you visit local Catholic schools to talk about the work of CAFOD? We are looking for volunteers to deliver school assemblies and workshops and inspire children and young people to make a difference and take action. For further information please contact Anna Letizia on 07710 094449 or email alletizia@cafod.org.uk

FATHER BERNARD FORSHAW ~ Who like myself, is celebrating his Ruby Anniversary of Priesthood this year, will be joining with me, at Our Lady's, on Wednesday 26th August to mark this momentous occasion. We will celebrate Midday Mass and refreshments will follow. Do come and join us ~ Fr Paul.

OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE ~

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

<https://www.righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote>

DIOCESE VACANCIES ~ The Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team are recruiting for a Programme Coordinator and Team Member; both roles are full time based in Stockport. The Curial office is also looking to recruit an Accounts Assistant, full time, based in Birkenhead. Closing date: Friday 18 September. Go to: <https://dioceseofshrewsbury.org/careers>

MARY'S MEALS ~ 'A donation of £19.15 allows us to provide a hungry child with a whole years' worth of school meals, and right now that £19.15 will go THREE times as far. This is thanks to a donor who is tripling new regular gifts for the first three payments, up to a value of £250,000.'

www.marysmeals.org.uk

SUNDAY OFFERINGS ~ £1018. Thank you for this, and also for a donation of £100.