

Parish of St Wilfrid, Widnes

25th July 2021

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

“Listen!

I am standing at
the door
knocking.”

Rev 3:20



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THERE WILL BE A RETIRING COLLECTION THIS WEEK FOR THE SVP.

Reflection

One of the topics of conversation in our country is 'the weather'. The daytime temperature has risen to the dizzy heights of 32 centigrade in recent days and parts of the British Isles have had record temperatures for this month. Our families, neighbours, and the media offer advice on how to cope with this extreme heat, while some seem to take it in their stride. Meanwhile, some countries in Europe have had torrential rain which has resulted in the destruction of human life and homes, places of work and leisure, and left many bereft of family, friends, and neighbours.

The pandemic has taught many of us to appreciate the gift of human life and brought us closer to many we may have passed by when life was 'normal'. Those who have experienced great trauma in their life usually become more sensitive to the needs of others. Their priorities have changed, and they accept that life will never be quite the same.

In the 10 months I have been in Widnes I have heard people recalling events in their life that have been extremely challenging. Somehow, they have kept going and I believe that they are a wonderful witness to the grace of God working with the clay of our human life, transforming them into something wholesome and beautiful. If we are faced with a fresh challenge in our life, it could also be key to a new and more wholesome way of life.

Fr Tom

This week the Blessed Sacrament Candle burns:

***St Basil's
St Bede's***

***In memory of Agnes Turner – B'day remb
In memory of James Murray - Ann***



We pray for those who have died,

Michael O'Brien, Margaret (Peggy) Fairhurst, John Horabin

Those who's funerals take place this week.

Helen Donovan, Ellen Wilson



Congratulations to:

Darren Sinclair & Annabelle Wright who were married at St Michael's on Saturday 17th July.

Please keep them in your prayers.



Do you think it is important to welcome people who come to Church?

On Thursday 5th August at 7.30pm at St. Basil's Parish Centre, Fr. Matthew Nunes will come to talk to us about the importance of the **Ministry of Welcome** within a parish community. Please come along and learn more about how you could serve your community in this ministry. **ALL are welcome!**

If you could let us know if you hope to attend either by e-mailing the parish with your name or just drop your name through the letterbox at the Parish Office.

Thank you!

CANON THOMAS NEYLON – ORDINATION AS BISHOP OF PLESTIA AND AUXILIARY BISHOP OF LIVERPOOL

There will be a coach leaving St. Bede's Church at 10am on the 3rd of September to the Cathedral. It will return to Widnes at 2pm after the ordination. If you would like a place on the coach the offering is £5 per person, to offset the cost; please pass your name and offering into the Parish Office. Places are limited. We shall reserve your place if you are coming on the coach with the Cathedral, so you do not have to do this.

There will also be unreserved seats in the Cathedral for people who wish to attend, and whilst tickets are not being issued, it would be helpful if anyone intending to celebrate this special occasion and will be attending the Mass should be advised to register their interest by emailing c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk



THIS WEEK		SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)	
Saturday 24 th July	11am – 12pm	St Bede's	Confession
	5pm	St Michael's	Mass
	6pm	St Basil's	Mass
Sunday 25 th July	9am	St Michael's	Mass
	9am	St Bede's	Mass
	10am	St John Fisher	Mass
	11am	St Bede's	Mass
	4pm	St Bede's	Mass
WEEKDAYS		DIVINE OFFICE WEEK 1	
Monday 26 th July	9:30am*	St Basil's	Mass
	12 noon	St Michael's	Lourdes Mass
Tuesday 27 th July	12 noon*	St Bede's	Mass
Wednesday 28 th July	12 noon	St Michael's	Mass of Anointing
	7pm	St John Fisher	Rosary & Candlelit Procession
Thursday 29 th July	12noon*	St Bede's	Mass
Friday 30 th July	9.30am*	St John Fisher	Mass

