Parish of St Wilfrid, Widnes

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31st October 2021

THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

"Listen!

I am standing at the door knocking."

Rev 3:20



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Reflection

As you will notice from our glittering halos, Fr Thomas Skeats and I have just returned from a four-day retreat with brother priests of the archdiocese. The retreat giver offered some remarkable insights about priestly identity, fraternity and spiritual warfare; all part of the spiritual armoury that ensures our clergy thrive in their ministry.

Throughout the retreat, our focus repeatedly returned to the witness and example of Our Blessed Lady, and St Joseph, under the title: terror of demons. It is precisely because of their humility and their utter obedience to the will of God, that the powers of evil can do nothing but flee when we call upon their heavenly intercession.

We concluded our very affirming and encouraging time together with a powerful prayer of protection that I would like to share with you as we conclude this month dedicated to Our Blessed Mother.

O Jesus our Saviour, my Lord and my God, my God and my all, with your sacrifice of the cross you redeemed us and defeated the power of Satan. I beg you to deliver me from every evil presence and every evil influence.

I ask you in your Name, I ask you for the sake of your wounds, I ask you for the sake of your blood, I ask you for the sake of your cross, I ask you through the intercession of Mary, Immaculate and sorrowful:

May the blood and the water that flow from your side wash over me to purify me, deliver me, heal me.

Amen.

O most high Queen of Heaven and of the Angels, we humbly beseech you, who received from God the power and the mission to crush Satan's head: Command the heavenly host to pursue the demons in battle wherever they are, to rebuke their daring, and to thrust them into the abyss.

Amen.

Fr Thomas Clarke

We pray for those who have died,

Eileen Baldwin, Glyn Thomas Ward, Catherine Myler



This week the Blessed Sacrament Candle burns:

St Bede's For the parishioners of the Parish (HH)
St Basil's For the parishioners of the Parish (HH)
St John Fisher For the parishioners of the Parish (HH)
St Michael's For the parishioners of the Parish (HH)

St Michael's In memory of Anthony Austin



Baptism

Please welcome these children who we have baptised this month and pray for them

Patrick Pierre Cochereau
Jacob Hassall
Lewis Paul Kenwright
Jack Matthew Morrissey
Bella Louise Cody
Nylah Fox
River Mae Fox
Ivy Matilda Turner
Delilah Ann Summers
Kia Aaron Connor
Logan Patrick Fay

Evie Rose Bradley
Gracie Oliva Bradley
James Andrew Maguire
Zoe Jayne Maguire
Bobby Hughes
Ronnie Hughes
Ronnie James Dunning
Jessie Henry
Jack Gerard Curry
Caden James Clare
Darla Rose Tootle





St Wilfrid's
Nugent Tuesday Club
Re-opens on 2nd November 2021
In the Scout Hall at 12.30pm

Wednesday Word - http://wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm

Catholic Pictorial - http://www.catholicpic.co.uk/

MASS INTENTIONS.

The following Masses have been said by the priests this month:

SVP (Members, associates & family)

Mrs Hewitt – Ann. Margaret Gilbert LD Anthony Austin

Michael 'Mike' Dunning LD In thanksgiving (CH)

Sr Marie Tight SND -Diamond Jubilee

Benny Rudge LD

Residents of all our care homes X 4

Barbara Joan Pierce LD

George, Mary & Gerald Dunn - Ann

Margaret Wilson – 10th Ann. Parishioners of the Parish X 4 Tommy Douglas – 18th Ann. Margaret & Gerald Gornall

John, Nancy & Albert Barrow - Ann.

Christina Sumner Helen Donovan LD Patricia Allen LD Thomas Brodin Mary Hewitt Pat Allen

Fr Bill – Thank you from UCM Florence Reid – B'day remb

Mary & Tom Burke The Holy Souls

Mary O'Leary SVP – LD Kenneth Cassidy LD

Mary Murty-Ann. & dec's family members Joseph Gerald Sharahan – 9th Ann.

Anthony Austin Helen Phillips LD

Mary Darwin - B'day remb. & Brian Darwen - Anr

Mary Seddon LD Benny Rudge LD

Harry Taylor 4th Anniversary

John Richards LD

Bernard Kelly Anniversary

Liam Carter – Ann.

A Private Intention (JC)
Michael & Mary Shannon

90th Birthday Thanksgiving (Mary Douglas)

Sue Woods

Benny Lynch 10th Ann.

Ellen Wilson LD

John Dowling-8th Ann.

Jean Hancock LD

John Horabin LD

Deceased members of Walsh, Osman &

Lynch families Anthony Austin Pat Allen

Bishop Rawsthorne-speedy recovery Edith & Charles Cank- Ann. & Charles

Cank Jnr-Ann.

Peter Stanley Thomas Shaw – 35th Ann.

James Quinn – 10th Ann. Joseph Higgins – 10th Ann.

John Richards LD Michael O'Brien LD Ann Brennan LD Edward Burns LD

Stephen O'Connor-1st Ann.

John Richards Susan Shaw LD

Pat Allen

Eileen & Jim Burns Gerald O'Connor-Remb.

Harry, Catherine & Joan Cosgrove – Ann.

William Scott LD Audrey Chatterton LD

Anne Lake LD

Margaret Fairhurst LD Frances Standen LD Pat Moran – 1st Ann. Tom Moran – 6th Ann.

Denis Kiely LD (Ireland)



Could you be a deacon?

As we prepare to receive our Synod Pastoral Plan, which will set out concrete actions to change our ways of working, so that our Church becomes more inclusive, more welcoming and more engaged with those on the margins, the ministry of deacons will continue to evolve alongside the presbyteral ministry in the service of the priesthood of all the baptised.

If you would like to hear how this is working out and you feel this may be your calling too, please join Archbishop Malcolm and the diaconate team in an evening meeting for men who may be wondering if they are called to serve as deacons and what the formation involves. Wives and supporting priests or deacons are also welcome.

Thursday 4 November 2021 7.30-9pm (refreshments from 7pm)

English Martyrs Parish Hall School Lane, Litherland, Liverpool L21 7LX

If you are interested in the diaconate but unable to attend this evening please email **diaconate@rcaol.org.uk** for more information.





Foodbank is continuing to operate in these difficult times and would like to thank everybody for their generous support.

Widnes Foodbank gratefully receives donations of any food items but would particularly welcome donations of the following food items:

Biscuits Instant Rice Tinned Custard Sponge Pudding Shampoo

Men's Toiletries Rice Pudding Packets of Pasta n Sauce.

Donations can be taken to the Foodbank Warehouse at the Cemetery Lodge (just inside the main gates of Widnes Cemetery in Birchfield Road) on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9am to 11am. Items can also be left at the Widnes Foodbank collection points in the main Widnes stores of ASDA, Morrison's and Tesco and at various drop off points in Widnes.

Any additional information can be found at: www.widnesfoodbank.org.uk

Thank you to anyone who can make a donation.



Dates For Your Diary

Parish Choir of St. Wilfrid - The next gathering of our Parish Choir is on Monday 1st November at 7.00pm in St. Bede's church. Everyone is very welcome, even if you have not sung before, or been part of this group previously, or are only able to come along occasionally.

Parish Advent Party

Friday 26th November 7.30pm St Basil's Club Tickets £5 – Available from Parish Office

Times of Prayer at Holy Family, Cronton

HOLY SOULS' PRAYER GROUP

Each Tuesday at 7pm in the presbytery. To pray for the Holy Souls and ask their intercession.

CENACLE OF OUR LADY

Each Thursday at 7pm in the presbytery. Praying and meditating using the Rosary.

If you require any further information, please contact Fr. Michael on 424 2129.

GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE

Next weekend at all Masses you will have the opportunity to buy some tickets for our 'Grand Autumn Raffle', the raffle will be drawn at the Advent Dance on the 26th November at St. Basil's Parish Centre. All proceeds will go to parish funds so please bring some extra cash to Mass with you next week and if you know people who would be kind enough to buy a ticket or two then please take some books of tickets and return them to the Parish Office asap. Thank you!



MASSES FOR THE DEAD IN NOVEMBER

During the Month of the Holy Souls, we are inviting every family who has lost a loved one in the past 20 months to remember and pray for them at Mass.

The Masses will take place every Sunday afternoon at 4pm at St. Michael's Church during November. Every family will receive a letter inviting them to one of the Masses and they will hear the name of their loved one read aloud in church and each family will be given a candle to take home to light in remembrance.

MASS FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS OF THE PARISH OF ST. WILFRID

On **Saturday 6th November** at **10am**, Mass celebrated for all those from our parish who have died. At the end of the Mass Holy Water will be blessed and distributed for you to bless the graves of your loved ones, your homes and yourselves. ALL are welcome to attend this Mass of remembrance.

The Knights Choir

With Covid restrictions now easing, The Knights Choir is attempting to get back into its stride, and be available for engagements in the community.

Unfortunately, for various reasons, choir numbers have become depleted over the last 18 months, and new singers are needed if the choir is to continue with its work.

If you would like to enjoy the satisfaction that comes from singing, making new friends and also help the local community, please consider joining us.

No audition required, uniform is provided and all engagements are within the Widnes area.

For details phone Brendon on 0151 420 0611 or Roy on 0151 424 1924.

Prayer for the COP26 climate summit

Loving God,

We praise your name with all you have created.
You are present in the whole universe,
and in the smallest of creatures.
We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed
upon us

as stewards of your creation. May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 as they

seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society.

Instil in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the poorest and most vulnerable,

and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home.

We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son.

Amen



Pastoral Development Bulletin

For All Saints Sunday



COP26

SUN 31 OCT 2021 – FRI 12 NOV 2021 Resources at www.cbcew.org.uk/cop26/ www.cafod.org.uk/Campaign/COP26-climate-summit/What-is-COP26

NOVENA FOR CREATION for any who wish to pray it during COP26

https://www.cbcew.org.uk/environment-novena/

CAFOD WEBINAR – COP26 Join CAFOD to hear Neil Thorns Head of Advocacy, Communication and Education and a Vatican representative from the Vatican delegation live from Glasgow on the progress made at the COP26. An opportunity to ask questions and listen to the latest discussions at the global United Nations summit about climate change and how countries are planning to tackle it. Information at https://www.bigmarker.com/cafod/COP26-update PRAYER FOR COP26

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Amen www.cbew.org.uk)

The <u>Laudato sí Movement</u> have launched a **Catholic petition** regarding COP15 and COP26. Details at <u>www.thecatholicpetition.org.</u>

PD CALENDAR

Download our departmental monthly calendar marking feast days, solemnities, UN days of international observance, UK national days and some Archdiocesan events.

INCLUSIVITY SECTION

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Could we ask any **Dementia Friends** and **Sight Loss Friendly** church members in the archdiocese to get in touch with us on pd@rcaol.org.uk, please? We would like to see how we can work with you to foster greater awareness in the archdiocese. Thank you!

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CATECHETICAL CORNER

The Redemptorist Publications offer a marriage preparation



resource by the
Southwark Diocese
'Preparing for
Marriage in the
Catholic Church.' It
is written in the light
of Pope Francis'
thoughts and it also

aims to support new evangelization.

The couple's resource contains a lot of questionnaires, tips and activities for the couples, while the catechist book also contains a DVD.

ADVENT MONDAYS

Advent Reflections: On 29 November, the department invite you to a Zoom time of reflection and discussion for an hour each Advent Monday from 7pm. Please register for your Zoom link on https://forms.gle/ygGnFTySdvNZZ277

St. Wilfrid's Parish Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lisbon

We are currently looking at a parish pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine in Fatima and also to visit the shrine of St. Anthony of Padua in Lisbon next September. At the moment we are NOT taking bookings, we are simply looking to see if there is any interest in the parish.

If you *might* be interested, then please just jot your name and telephone number on a piece of paper and pop it through the Parish Office door for the attention of SUSANWARBURTON.

Once we gauge the interest we shall move forward.

Fr. Mark

THIS WEEKEND 31st	October	30 th SU	NDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
Saturday 30 th	11.00am Till	St Bede's	Confession
October	12.00 pm		
	5pm	St Michael's	Mass
	6pm	St Basil's	Mass
Sunday 31 st October	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 3
Mon 1 st November	9:30am*	St Basil's	Mass – Brian Holding 1 st Ann
	12pm	St Bede's	Funeral Service – Eileen Baldwii
Tues 2 nd November	12 noon*	St Bede's	Mass - Billy Feury
	2pm	St Bede's	Funeral Service - Glyn Ward
Wed 3 rd November	7pm*	St Bede's	Mass - Residents of Care Home
Thur 4 th November	12 noon*	St Michael's	Mass – Ann & Hugh Brenan
Fri 5 th November	9.30am	St John Fisher	Mass – Robert Milliard – 1st A
	12pm	St Bede's	Requiem Mass - Catherine Myle

St Bede's Church Will be Open from 10.00am – 1.30pm For Private Prayer