Parish of St Wilfrid, Widnes

4th JULY 2021

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

"Listen!

I am standing at the door knocking."

Rev 3:20



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PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO CONFESSION UNTIL 17TH JULY DUE TO FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS TAKING PLACE.

Reflection.

It was 4.30 on Tuesday. THE MATCH was due to begin at 5.00. I needed a haircut and reckoned that the barbers would be empty because of THE MATCH, and I could be home again and at most miss only a few minutes. It worked. I missed only the first three minutes of the game.

So, I did not know until much later in the evening that the English crowd had booed the German Anthem. I could not believe it. No matter what the game, respectful silence during the opponents' Anthem has always been taken for granted. I thought of the silences for special moments at Anfield and Goodison. And now the whole football world witnessed this terrible moment. The question I will have to live with is would I have watched the match if I had witnessed it. A really good evening was ruined.

It is about the spirit of the sport, but it is also about courtesy, respect and civility. Sport unites people and peoples. In Rugby Union internationals, the teams clap each other off the pitch, even though they have just been mauling each other. No opponent, no game. And young people will think that it is acceptable behaviour.

And then there was the incident with Professor Whitty. An obviously decent man who has become a nationally respected figure through his work with COVID. Because he is so tall and distinguished looking, he will always stand out. None of that makes him public property.

Courtesy and respect for other people, however much we disagree with them or find that their lifestyles clash with ours, or whatever the situation, are essential parts of the makeup of a decent and civilised society. I am ashamed of what happened at Wembley on Tuesday and hope that some sort of apology would be offered.

Bishop John

This week the Blessed Sacrament Candle burns:

St Basil's In memory of Monica Stevenson 100th Birthday Ann.

St Bede's (1) In memory of Michael O'Grady – 2nd Ann. St John Fisher In memory of Peter & Pauline Kavanagh

St Michael's (1) For Patricia & Peter Rouski

St Michael's (2) In memory of Joan & Arthur Wilcox

We pray for those who have died,

Catherine Nolan, Mary Hanrahan, Brian McCann

Jean Campbell, Sarah Bold

Those who's funerals take place this week.

David Brady, Elsie Wilcox, Shelia McGuire, Patricia Hughes, Anthony Ivan Thompson



Recruitment Opportunity

Following a recent review and re-structure of the administrative function, we are seeking to recruit to a newly created single post for a Parish Administrator (Admin) to be based in the Parish Office at St Bede's Presbytery. The hours of work are 20 per week, worked across five days, Monday to Friday, 10.00am-2.00pm. This is a permanent post, with an annual salary of £10,556.00 (equivalent to £10.15 per hour). The successful candidate will be working closely with the Office Manager and Clergy Team. A full information pack and application form are available from the jobs page of the archdiocesan website at: www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/jobs. You can also request a postal pack by ringing Human Resources on 0151 522 1102. The closing date for this post is Friday 16th July 2021.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those staff that have been part of the previous Parish Office structure for their years of dedicated service to St Wilfrid's Parish and to wish them well for the future.

A copy of the advert is available at the back of church.

Welcoming back our servers

Following a long break because of the pandemic, we now feel that we are able to welcome back our Altar servers. Because we are still following some restrictions, we thought it best that only two servers assist during Mass at any one time.

So, if you have served in the past, or indeed would like to serve in the future, please come along to Mass and speak to the priest who is celebrating the Mass.

Welcome back.

Fr Carl

THIS WEEK		FOURTEENTH SU	NDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
Saturday 3 rd July	5pm	St Michael's	Mass
	6pm	St Basil's	Mass
Sunday 4 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 2
Monday 5 th July	9:30am*	St Basil's	Mass
Tuesday 6 th July	12 noon*	St Bede's	Mass
Wednesday 7 th July	7pm*	St Michael's	Mass
Thursday 8th July	12noon*	St Bede's	Mass
Friday 9 th July	9.30am*	St John Fisher	Mass
*The Blessed Sacrame	nt will be exposed for 30	minutes before each Ma	ss