Parish of St Wilfrid, Widnes

16th October 2022

"Listen!

Week 29

Cloray Toom

I am standing	Clergy Leam Fr Mark Moran (PP, Moderator) 0151 513 0024	
at the door		
knocking."	Bishop John Rawsthorne	0151 424 2738
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'In the morning | will sing, | will sing to you O Lord, | will sing my

loving song to you ... '

Last week I was lucky enough to spend a few days in the Lake District with another priest who celebrated his Silver Jubilee (Lord, he is milking this anniversary!) whilst also catching up with other friends from our seminary days! It was a wonderful time to remember, laugh, pray and simply be together.

Some of the number who started at the seminary on the 6thOctober 1991 and then ordained in 1997, have gone to heaven, we pray, and some have left the active ministry for one reason or another. Yet, what I received last week was a real sense of joyful generosity and gratitude in talking to those who are 'still going' in serving as a ministerial priest in parishes and cathedrals across the country. Yes, there are times of hurt and frustration, times of sorrow and loneliness, but what came across to me and it is certainly how I feel every morning, is a desire to show gratitude to say, 'THANK YOU'. Yes, to the Lord, but also to you, who are reading this, for you are the people who walk with me every day – I am filled with gratitude!

Lucy (my fearless pooch!) and I are early risers and being away from home is no different, so as the dawn rose, we walked through the Lake District marvelling at the beauty of the hills and mountains and streams, and I sang as I walked and thanked God for wonder of life and the beauty of His creation.

Let us make sure that we remember to say 'THANKYOU' to Him and to each other, it is more than having good manners, it is reminding ourselves of the wonder of who we are called to be, and that all we have is from His hand.

Fr. Mark

From the Social Group - dates for your diary

Advent Dance - on Friday 2nd December we shall gather as a parish community to celebrate the beginning of Advent. Music, bingo, dancing and fun! Tickets on sale soon!

'A Christmas Carol' – on Wednesday 14th December

we shall go to the new **Shakespeare North Theatre** in Prescott to this this wonderful Dickins story of transformation from '*Bah humbug*' to Christmas joy. We shall organise a coach and cost of ticket and coach will be $\pounds 25$. Tickets on sale soon!

Meeting for the Social Group – Tuesday 18th October at 12.30pm at St. Bede, sorry for the short notice!

November – Month of the Holy Souls	"Lord, Hold My Hand"
November is the month that we traditionally pray in a special way for those we have loved, and we pray have gone before us to heaven. This is a beautiful tradition of remembrance.	Lord, hold my hand, I so need your loving kindness Lord, hold my hand, All through life, in joy or grief
At the back of all of our churches you will find envelopes for you to place the names of those you would like to be remembered	Lord, hold my hand, When I am sick with fear and anxious
during this month.	Lord, hold my hand, In the wonder of relief
You may place an offering in the envelope if you wish. The names will be placed in a place of honour in our churches for the entire month of November. Please pass your envelopes into the Parish Office.	Lord, hold my hand, When it is dark, and storms are raging
'May the choirs of angels, come to greet you. May they speed	Lord, hold my hand, And help me live it through
you to Paradise, may the Lord enfold you in His mercy. May you find eternal life'	Lord, hold my hand, When I'm lifted, joyful, loving
	Lord, hold my hand, When I'm trying something new
Mass of Anointing This week letters have gone out to all the sick and housebound members of our community inviting them to a Mass of Anointing. At this Mass they	Lord, hold my hand, When I fall or faint or waver
will be anointed with the Oil of the Sick and be prayed over by the priests of the parish. All are welcome to attend.	Lord, hold my hand, For I know your love is true

Thursday 20th October at 12 noon St. Michael's Church, WA8 8TF

Refreshments will be served after Mass!

Amen

Lord, hold my hand,

When I'm lonely, weary, aging

Lord, hold my hand, When there is only me and you.

Thank you

Ann and Paul Kershaw would like to thank all those who showed such kindness when Ann was taken ill at Mass a couple of weeks ago.

Ann is fully recovered now. May God bless you all.

BOOK SALE

Sunday, 23 October 2022 After 10.00 am Mass in ST. JOHN FISHER CHURCH HALL, MOORFIELD ROAD All welcome. Proceeds to UCM Charity Fund.

WARM AND COSY CENTRES

St. Basil's Parish Centre, Hough Green Road, WA8 4PE will be open every Tuesday afternoon from 1pm - 3.30pm to offer a warm place to enjoy a hot drink, biscuits, TV and

WI - FI as well as meeting new friends. This will start on Tuesday 1st November.

Please come along and enjoy time in your parish centre, you will be made most welcome!

There will be a collection next week for **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY** 23rd October 2022.

Thank you in advance for your generosity

USED STAMPS

Fr Bill has asked that we put all our used stamps in the boxes provided at back of church. Thank You

Church Restoration Fund

Tickets £3.00 St John Fisher Hall Friday 21st October 2022 8pm Knights Choir Iona Sound (Out of Retirement Once Again) Plus, Guest Groups Bring your own food/drink Available from Choir Members Brendon 0151 420 0611 Roy 0151 424 1924 Or the Parish Office Mass Times Weekday Pilot for One Month - Commencing 23rd October 2022

> **Monday** 10:00am – St Basil

Tuesday

7am - St John Fisher 12 Noon – St Bede

Wednesday 12 Noon – St Michael 7pm – St Bede

Thursday 12 Noon – St Michael

Friday 10am – St John Fisher 12 Noon – St Basil

Saturday 10am – St Bede 10:30am – 11:30am Confessions

Walsingham Pilgrimage 26/11/22 To 28/11/22

This year we have been asked to choose from the Christmas Menu, which we have booked for the Saturday evening. Please pass your menu choice to the Parish Office, with your name clearly on envelope and marked - WALSINGHAM.

Starters:

Tomato & Coriander Soup, Prawn Cocktail or Chicken liver parfait.

Main:

Roast turkey, roast potatoes, root vegetables, Brussel sprouts, stuffing, pigs in blankets & cranberry sauce. Steamed Salmon with parsley sauce, roast potatoes, root vegetables and Brussel sprouts.

Mushroom Brie and cranberry wellington, roast potatoes, root vegetables and Brussel sprouts.

Desserts:

Sticky Toffee Pudding, Cheesecake with whipped cream or Fresh Fruit and ice cream.

If you do not want all three courses or have any dietary needs, please let us know.

Payments for Walsingham must be in by 17^{th} October 2022.

Mass Times

	for private		
	St Bede's Church is open		
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11.00am Holy Mass (St Bede) – Carol Ann Randall - Anniversary			
10.00am Holy Mass (St John Fisher) – Joan, Eileen & Joe Skilky			
09.00am Holy Mass (<i>St Bede) – Tracey McNamara</i> 10.00am Holy Mass (<i>St Michael) – Joan Kelly – Deceased</i>			
10.00am Holy Mass (St Bede) – John, Mary & Catherine Cosgrove - Anniversary 10.30am Confessions and Rosary (St Bede)			
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