Parish of St Wilfrid, Widnes

Incorporating the churches of St Bede, St Michael, St John Fisher and St Basil





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Responsorial Psalm

R. The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage

Last week I had the privilege of travelling with a group from Gateacre to Medjugorje, a small village in the centre of Bosnia and Herzegovina where it is reported that Our Lady appeared to six young people on the 24 and 25 of June 1981.

Although the church has not yet officially recognised Medjugorje, it is hard to deny the fact that an estimated 30 million pilgrims have visited there since 1981. I personally have visited Medjugorje again and again over the years since my first visit there in 2003, which was not long after my return home from South America.

Our journey began at 4.30am with a flight on Jet2, a two-hour journey from Manchester to Split, in Croatia. From there a coach was waiting to take us across the border to Bosnia and Herzegovina, a journey of some three hours with a break for light refreshments. There was a sense of excitement as the coach approached the outskirts of Medjugorje, for those of us who have been before but more so for those who were making the journey for the first time.

Passing through the familiar streets, we passed the twin towers of St James the Apostle church on our way to our 4star Hotel Leone and the beginning of our seven-day pilgrimage.

To be continued....

Fr Bill

Quarant'ore - Feast of the Sacred Heart

Signing up sheets for Quarant'ore – There are sheets at the back of ALL our churches so that people can sign up to spend some time in adoration during Quarant'ore. Every time slot must be covered so that the Blessed Sacrament is never left alone. It does not matter where you usually attend Mass, this time of prayer is for our parish, and it is the responsibility of every parishioner to come and adore Him. Can you commit to spending time with Jesus?

40 Hours of Adoration - St Bede's

Wednesday 5th June

09.30	Holy Mass and Opening of Quarant'ore
10.00	Private Adoration
12 Noon	Holy Rosary and Litany of the Sacred Heart
12.30	Private Adoration
15.00	Divine Mercy Chaplet
18.00	Holy Rosary and Litany of the Sacred Heart
18.30	Private Adoration
21.00	Holy Mass and Closing of Exposition

Thursday 6th June

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Friday 7th June (Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus)

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18.30	Private Adoration
19.30	Feast Day Holy Mass and Closing of Quarant'ore

Requiescant in pace

Eileen Blood, Mary (Patricia) Stott,
David Tirrell, John Murphy,
Martin Clifford, Harry Davies,
Peter Farrell & Eileen Lee
May the Angels lead them into Paradise!

Sanctuary Lamp

The sanctuary lamp burns for 7 days for your intentions.

St Bede Special Intention
St Michael Sick & Housebound

St John Fisher Thanksgiving

St Basil Vocation to Priesthood

Gift of Life for Zambia Trip to Trentham Gardens and Shopping Village Wednesday 5th June

The Trentham Estate is a great place for all tastes with award winning Italian gardens, rose borders, and a mile long lake. If you prefer some retail therapy there are timber lodges housing a wide variety of individual shops and cafes, plus a massive Garden Centre. We leave St. Basil and All Saints Church at 9.30am and return at approximately 6pm. The cost is £26. To book a place, simply put your money in an envelope marked with your name, address, telephone number, and pass to either Angela (0151 424 8668) or Monica (0151 424 8194). Or call them for further details. All profits to Gift of Life for Zambia. Thank you for your continued support.

Gift Aid Boxes

The new Gift Aid boxes have now been out for collection at all our churches for almost 2 months. To ensure that we keep our records up to date, any boxes remaining will be removed this weekend and the Gift Aid cancelled. Please, if you are still donating and are not paying by Direct Debit, check to see if your box is at the back of the church. If you have any queries, please put your query in writing, with your name and contact details and pass it to the parish office and a member of the Gift Aid team will get in touch with you.

D-Day

A Commemoration Service to mark 80 Years of D-Day is to take place on Thursday 6th June 2024 at 10.00am in Victoria Park, Widnes at the actual N.V.A. Memorial (alongside the greenhouse). All Welcome

"Bless The Lord My Soul"

11th June at St Basil's Church 7pm

You are invited to our Taizé service. Come to experience the beauty of Meditative Prayer and Peace through Music, Song and Silence. *We look forward to welcoming you*.

Prayer to the Sacred Heart

Heart of Jesus, abode of justice and love! Heart of Jesus, patient and most mercifully Heart of Jesus, fountain of life and holiness Have mercy on us. Oh, Sacred Heart of Jesus, I adore you! Oh, Sacred Heart of Jesus, I praise you! Oh, Sacred Heart of Jesus, I thank you! Oh, Sacred Heart of Jesus, I love you!

St John Paul II

Amen

		Parish Liturgy	
Sunday	2 nd June Solemnity	of the Most Holy Body &	Blood of Christ
09.00	Holy Mass	St Bede	Frank & Doris Cox
10.15	Holy Mass	St Michael	Barney McGinley
11.30	Holy Mass	St Bede	George Edward Lythgoe
16.00	Holy Mass	Holy Family	HF Parishioners
	,	, ,	Joe Houghton
Monday	3 rd June	Memorial of St Charles	Lwanga and Companions
09.00	Exposition and Morning		
09.30	Holy Mass	St Basil	KM
12noon	Requiem Mass	St Michael	Denis O'Brien
Tuesday	4 th June	Ferial	
11.00	Funeral Service	Holy Family	David Hughes
11.30	Exposition and Rosary	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	J
12 noon	Holy Mass	St Bede	Monica Davidson
Wednesday	5 th Jun	Memorial of St Boniface	e, Bishop and Martyr
09.30	Holy Mass Opening of	f Quarant'ore St Bede	Joe Walsh
10.30	Funeral Service	St Basil	Frances Jean Ellis
21.00	Holy Mass Closing of	Quarant'ore St Bede	Thomas & Mary Burke
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Thursday	6 th June	Ferial	
09.30	Holy Mass Opening of		Madge Houghton
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21.00	Holy Mass Closing of	Quarant'ore St Bede	Fr Mark Moran
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