

# Parish of St Wilfrid, Widnes

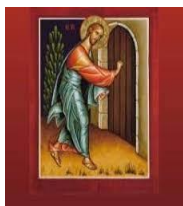
30<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Week 31

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“Listen!  
I am standing  
at the door  
knocking.”

Rev 3:20



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Next week there will be a collection SVP

Thank you for your generosity.

## We gain an hour!

This weekend the clocks go back an hour, and it is easy to focus on the dark mornings and evenings that signal winter and feel a bit down or we can think 'I've gained an hour' and thank God for the changing of the seasons! It is often up to us how we think about things, positively or negatively.

Our faith in Jesus, does not take away pain or difficult times or sorrow but it always gives us hope. Faith should never be seen as a 'lucky charm' to ward off 'bad luck', rather it is a sure and certain hope in the promises made by Jesus to those who follow Him.

We are blessed in our faith, because we are reminded time and time again, that we are not alone. That Jesus walks with us, in times of joy and happiness as well as in times of sadness and pain. Our God is not one who is apart, at a distance from us, He comes and dwells amongst us, in our mess and uncertainty, in our sadness and sorrow and in our joy and celebrations too. He is Emmanuel, He is God-With-Us!

Fr. Mark

## Saturday 5th November 2pm to 4pm

St Marie's Heritage Group would like to welcome you to St Marie's to view our new timeline celebrating the history of the church and the clergy and parishioners who served and worshipped there from 1861 to 2007. Whether you attended St Marie's church or not we are sure you will find something interesting, amusing and thought provoking in the display which will be set out around the church. Come along, meet old friends, and have a catch up and as usual there will be plenty of free hot drinks and biscuits.

If you would like to join us please email: [heritage@haltonsthelensvca.org.uk](mailto:heritage@haltonsthelensvca.org.uk) or call 01928 592405

## 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!

**The Knights Choir** would like to thank everyone who attended "An Evening with the Knights Choir" on 21st October in St. John Fisher Hall. As a result of your support and generosity we raised the sum of **£550** towards the refurbishment of our churches. Many thanks. **The Knights Choir**

## **SVP – St Wilfrid's Parish**

We would like to remind you all that we are still very much around even though COVID restrictions have prevented us from visiting homes. It looks like restrictions are beginning lifted, and so we hope soon to be back visiting. Our prayers are with you.

We would like to thank parishioner for their generous donations for the last financial year (April 2021 to March 2022). We received Church collections of £2600, and donations of £900.

Our expenditure was £2700, of which we spent £1200 on food vouchers, material assistance to families £550. And National Office SVP £509. These were some of our major costs during the year. We are expecting an increase in costs as conditioners are returning to levels of pre pandemic, with rising costs of living and heating bills.

We also give support to our schools and families when needed.

Once again, we thank you for your generosity in these austere times and we pray that the financial climate will soon get better.

**SVP**

## Christmas Meal at Chester Cathedral

### **Wednesday, 7th December**

Our final trip this year is to Chester Cathedral, where we will enjoy a two-course Christmas turkey dinner with all the trimmings, Black Forest Pavlova for pudding, and a tea or coffee, all served in the lovely Cathedral Refectory. After lunch you can view the Christmas Tree Festival of Lights (in the Cathedral), visit the Christmas Market (just outside the Cathedral) or shop in the city centre. We leave St. Basil and All Saints at 9.30.am and return about 6.pm. The cost to include the coach and Christmas meal is £35. To book a place simply put your money in an envelope marked with your name, address, and telephone number, and give it to any member of the Zambia Group.

You can also ring Monica on 424 8194 or Angela on 424 8668 to arrange collection or for any further details.

**All profits to Gift of Life for Zambia**

## Christmas Sing-along, Friday, 9th December

We are delighted to welcome back this annual Christmas event full of songs, carols, music, stories, and lots of fun for everyone. Tickets to include a fruit drink - £3.50 for adults, £2 for children. You can also pay at the door.

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## **Parish Choir**

The next gathering of our Parish Choir is on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November in **St. Basil's Church** at 7.00pm. Even if you have not sung before, or been part of this group previously, are only able to come along occasionally, or think you can't sing, you will be very welcome.

## **USED STAMPS**

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

## November – Month of the HOLY SOULS

November is when we as a Church remember and pray in a special way the dead, those we have known and loved and those, who, in charity, who have no one to pray for them. At every Mass the faithful departed are remembered but during this special month certain opportunities are offered to draw us together as a community to pray, remember and support one another in faith.

### Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Feast of All Saints

Holy Day of Obligation

### Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Mass for all the Faithful Departed, St. Bede, 10am.

At this Mass we pray for all who have died, and everyone will be offered a bottle of holy water to take to graves or places of remembrance to bless and pray.

### Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November – Mass for all who have died from our parish in the past 12 months, St. Michael's, 4pm.

At these two Masses the names of all who have died in our parish community in the past 12 months will be read aloud, to call them to mind, to pray and to thank God for them.

*"In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die...they are in peace."*

*Book of Wisdom*

Pious List envelopes at the back of church for you to place the names of your loved ones so that they can be added to the November Pious List. Return them to the Parish Office asap.

## TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE NEXT WEEKEND!

**Parish Advent social**  
**St Basil's Parish Centre**  
**Friday 2nd December**  
Fun begins at 7:30 pm  
Tickets £5 Including Supper

by POPULAR Demand  
Superb Panto  
'Cinderella'

Irish Bingo £1 in the Bucket  
All Proceeds to Parish Funds

Entertainment  
Singer  
Phil's Disco  
Raffle



Please bring some money next week to Mass so that you can buy a ticket for the Parish Dance! Last year we had a wonderful evening together, so please think about coming together as a parish family and having fun!

# Mass Times

***St Bede's Church is open for private prayer Mon-Fri 10am-13:00pm***

## Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October

09.00am Holy Mass (St Bede) – Harry Taylor - Anniversary  
 10.00am Holy Mass (St Michael) – Joan Meade - Anniversary  
 10.00am Holy Mass (St John Fisher) – Harry Doyle – 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
 11.00am Holy Mass (St Bede) – Catherine Rogers – Special Intention  
 16:00pm Holy Mass (St Bede) – Ted Riley – Birthday Remembrance

## Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October

9.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Morning Prayer (St. Basil)  
**10:00 am** Holy Mass (St Basil) – Mick Woolrich  
**12 Noon Requiem Mass (St Bede) – John Russell**

## Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November Solemnity of All Saints – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

**07:00am** Holy Mass (St. John Fisher) – Thanksgiving for the suffering of Jesus  
**10:00am** Holy Mass (St Basil) – Joan Mulroy Anniversary  
**12 Noon** Holy Mass (St Bede) – Robert Milliard  
**19:00pm** Holy Mass – (St Michael) Tristen Burke

## Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary (St Michael)  
**12 Noon** Holy Mass (St. Michael) - James & Ann Bernie  
 18:30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Evening Prayer (St Bede)  
**19:00pm** Holy Mass (St Bede) – Carol Garland lately Dead

## Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary (St. Michael)  
**12 Noon** Holy Mass (St. Michael) – A sick person (MT)

## Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo

9.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Morning Prayer (St. John Fisher)  
**10:00 am** Holy Mass – (St John Fisher)- Mary Rath Anniversary  
 11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary (St. Basil)  
**12 Noon Requiem Mass - (St Basil) – Carmel Carolan**

## Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November

10.00am Holy Mass (St Bede) – **Mass for all the Deceased in the Parish Community**  
 10.30am Confessions and Rosary (St Bede)  
 17.00pm Holy Mass (St Bede) – Patrick Hyland Anniversary  
 18.00pm Holy Mass (St Basil) – Parishioners

## Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November

09.00am Holy Mass (St Bede) – Albert Timperley Birthday Remembrance & Jean Handley Anniversary  
 10.00am Holy Mass (St Michael) – Eileen Mary Glascott  
 10.00am Holy Mass (St John Fisher) – James Fay  
 11.00am Holy Mass (St Bede) – Margaret Rimmer Anniversary  
 16:00pm Holy Mass (St Bede) – Frank Conway 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Remembrance

### Sanctuary Lamp

**St Bede:** Harry Taylor  
**St Basil:** Bernard Kelly  
**St John Fisher:** Holy Souls  
**St Michael:** Anthony Austin

### Please pray for those who have recently died...

Neil Shaw, William Jones, Megan Woods  
 Elizabeth Lightfoot, Jessie Burke, James Riley,  
 Philomena Monaghan, Gerard Droogan,  
 and Mary Myler.