

Parish of St Wilfrid, Widnes

3rd July 2022

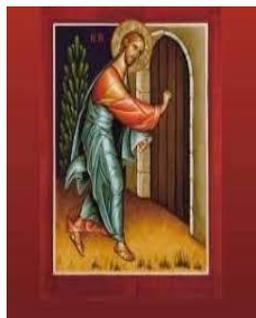
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“Listen!

***I am standing
at the door
knocking.”***

Rev 3:20



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FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS!

Growing up before mobile phones or sat-nav most people learnt to map read especially if you were a driver or co-pilot. Preparing the route beforehand was important and even a bit exciting. But with the dawn of mobiles, we have handed ourselves over to the sat-nav and thus began our handing ourselves over to machines. Let something else do the job for us! How many times have you done that and ended up in a field or dead end? or should we begin the process of taking back control of our lives (or not ??)

I had been invited to a 70th birthday party last Saturday at the Cheshire Sailing Club in New Brighton.

As I sat in my car, I punched in the postal code but quickly realized the satnav wouldn't work as my new phone had not been programmed. As time was getting on, I decided I would be OK in finding my own way there

Everything was going really well until I drove out of the Kingsway tunnel. Instead of turning right I turned left and found myself driving in the direction of Liscard and everything went from 'bad to worse'. Instead of stopping and asking for directions I carried on and on..... Now utterly confused I stopped and asked for directions to New Brighton. Relieved that I was at last on the right road I got overconfident and missed a turn and found myself on the promenade. I suddenly realized I was driving alone a pedestrian way, not a car in sight. Gordon Bennet! I thought what else is going to happen before I find this Sailing Club! The thought had hardly registered when I saw in the corner of my eye a police car that had appeared as if from nowhere and flashed his lights., I froze .As we drew side by side, the police woman jumped out of the car and went behind mine, Oh heck, she is taking down my number, boy that's done it , how much of a fine is this going to cost me !! Before the policeman had time to say anything I said I had lost my way. He was very sympathetic, lead me off the promenade with directions to the coast road and to my destination.

I arrived late but relieved to have got there safe and sound. The party was in full swing, and it turned to be a great 70th celebration. 'Happy Birthday Christine!!'

Fr Bill

FR. THOMAS OP, MASS OF FAREWELL

EVEN THOUGH FR. THOMAS OP, WILL BE WITH US TILL THE END OF JULY WE WANTED TO MARK HIS TIME WITH US AND TO PRAY FOR HIM WHEN ALL THE CLERGY TEAM ARE PRESENT.

TO THIS END WE SHALL HAVE A MASS OF FAREWELL ON **WEDNESDAY 20TH JULY AT 12 NOON AT ST. BEDE'S.** PLEASE COME, TO PRAY WITH FR. THOMAS AS HE TAKES UP HIS NEW POSITION AS CHAPLAIN TO BRISTOL UNIVERSITY IN AUGUST, AND TO THANK GOD FOR THE TIME HE HAS BEEN WITH US HERE AT ST. WILFRID'S.

St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022



Metropolitan Cathedral of
Christ The King.

Arrives: 15:30pm on Saturday 17th September
until: 7:00am on Tuesday 20th September.

There will be a coach leaving St Bede's Church
on Monday 19th September at 10:30am and
leaving the Cathedral at 15:00pm.

We will advertise this again nearer the time and
take names for the coach. Please make a note in
your diary for this wonderful event which is
happening in our own Archdiocese.

Sick Calls

If you are requesting a visit from the Priest outside
of the parish normal
office hours. Please, contact the Priest via the
telephone numbers printed on the front of the
newsletter.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND, WHETHER YOU ARE
GOING ON PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES OR NOT.



**ST. WILFRID'S LOURDES DEPARTURE MASS
WEDNESDAY 20TH JULY AT 7PM
ST. BEDE'S CHURCH**

**PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION AND
CONSECRATION:
TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**

SATURDAY 16TH JULY 2022



Vincentian Divine Retreat Centre, Pantasaph,
Holywell, North Wales.

Details giving more information can be
found on the poster at the back of the
church.

St. Michael's Church - under attack once more

St. Michael's Church and the grounds are still under attack from local youths, they are drinking and smoking drugs in the grounds. On Wednesday afternoon they broke 10 windows to the right of the crucifix in church, also banging and hammering on the door of the church whilst one lady volunteer was in Church, terrified.

Fr. Mark phoned the police and went straight down to St. Michael's to meet the police, but the vandals had gone. The police said we **MUST** report **EVERY** time we see these youths trespassing on the church property, **THEY DO NOT** have permission to be there, no matter what lies they tell. **YOU MUST** ring 101 and wait, report the incident and get a reference number, only when these logs add up will action be taken from the police force.

There is no point ringing the Parish Office or Fr. Mark when you see them in St. Michael's, this wastes time, you have a responsibility to keep our church safe too. **RING 101** if they are in the church or presbytery grounds or **RING 999** if they are causing damage.

We are now looking at CCTV to cover the site at St. Michael's, also in discussion with Cheshire Police.

Incident Record

Moran, Mark

Wed 29/06/2022 16:08

Crime Number: IML1305008

In relation to the above, please find below your officer in the case contact details.

Officer: 30604 Martyn Huyton-Berry

Email: Martyn.Huyton-Berry@cheshire.police.uk

Contact number: 07890024041

Cheshire Police

When you have a Crime Number, please e mail it to the Parish Office.

Stations of the Cross at St Michael's Church

Last month we said that we hoped to have the paintings of 'The Stations of the Cross' at St Michael's Church restored professionally to their former glory.

Restorers have been out to look at the paintings and as you can imagine there is quite a lot of work needed to clean, repair and re-stretch the canvases and to frame them in new frames. The cost will be £1000 each to have them fully restored and framed.

The question is how as a parish can we fund this?

It is difficult times for many households at present and some parishioners may question whether we should carry out this work. However, whilst we still have our churches open, we do need to invest in them to keep them in a state fit for the worship of our Lord and something that we can be proud of.

The plan therefore is to go ahead with the restoration of the paintings. Fr Mark is planning to use any money received at his Jubilee Mass to help towards the restoration of one of the paintings. Invitations are extended to any family who would like to pay for one to be restored in memory of their family or a deceased loved one. A small plaque will be fitted to rear of the station acknowledging this.

Anyone can make donations to restoration fund, however small will be received with grateful thanks. Any donation over £500 will be recorded in the parish archive book being set up for the Restoration Project. The first three paintings will be taken away to be restored at the end of July and it is expected that the whole restoration project will take 12 months, only if we are able to raise the funds. If you feel that you would like to sponsor one of the paintings, you should let Fr. Thomas or Fr. Mark know. We would also encourage any individuals or parish groups who have any ideas for raising funds for the restoration to drop a line to the parish office.

The Restoration Group/Building Group



The Parish of St Wilfrid's Liturgy



SUNDAY 3rd July

09.00 am Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – **Emily McLean**
 10.00 am Holy Mass (*St Michael*) – **The Burke Family**
 10.00 am Holy Mass (*St John Fisher*) – **Joan & William Davies – Anniversary**
 11.00 am Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – **Michael Naughton – 40th Anniversary**
 16.00 pm Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – **Monika Stevenson - Birthday Remembrance**

MONDAY 4th July

09.00 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (*St Basil*)
 09.10 am Morning Prayer (*St Basil*)
 09.30 am Holy Mass (*St Basil*) – **Joan Horabin**
 10:00 am Requiem (*St Bede*) – **Stuart O'Toole**

TUESDAY 5th July

11: 00 am Requiem (*St Michael*) **Dennis Martin**
 11.30 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (*St Bede*)
 11.40 am Holy Rosary (*St Bede*)
 12 Noon Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – **Joan Mary Mc Callum (4th Ann)**

WEDNESDAY 6th July

11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (*St Bede*)
 11.40am Holy Rosary (*St Bede*)
 12 Noon Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – **Mary and Joseph Hyland**

THURSDAY 7th July

11.30 am Exposition the Blessed Sacrament (*St Michael*)
 11.40 am Holy Rosary (*St. Michael*)
 12 Noon Holy Mass (*St. Michael*) – **Parishioners**
 12 Noon Service (*St Bede*) – **Sean Geddes**

FRIDAY 8th July

09.00 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (*St John Fisher*)
 09.10 am Morning Prayer (*St John Fisher*)
 09.30 am Holy Mass (*St John Fisher*) – **Residents of Care Homes**
 12:00 Noon Service (*St John Fisher*) – **Francis Westhead**

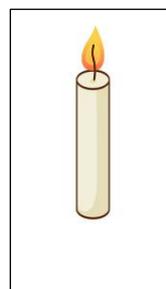
SATURDAY 9th July

10.00 am Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – **Patrick Mc Cormick (Birthday Remembrance)**
 10.30 am Confessions and Rosary (*St Bede*)
 17.00 pm Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – **Michael O Grady (3rd Ann)**
 18.00 pm Holy Mass (*St Basil*) – **Hazel Stephenson (Birthday Remembrance)**

Sanctuary Lamp

St Basil:
St Bede:
St Michael:
St John Fisher:

Fr. Mark Moran (25th Ann)
Joan and Arthur Wilcox
Mary and Joseph Davies
Michael O Grady



St Bede
is opened
For private Prayer
Mon – Fri
10:00am – 13:00 pm