

Parish of St Wilfrid, Widnes

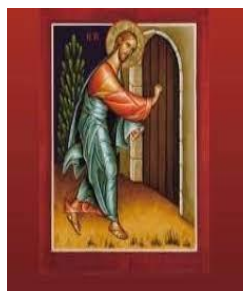
9th October 2022

Week 28

Year C

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

Rev 3:20



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CAFOD – Family Fast Day – Thank you for your generosity.
Envelopes are at the back of Church for those who wish to gift aid.

Where's Fr Thomas!

You may not be aware that the Catholic Church has the oldest and perhaps most developed legal system in the world. We refer to this as Canon Law, and this system governs every aspect of the life of the Church. This is not a dusty set of rules and regulations imposed on us by Rome but a living ecclesiology by which the Church affects her mission of proclaiming the Good News to the nations.

This weekend, at the Archbishop's request, I fly out to Belgium for three weeks to begin studying for a Licence in Canon Law (JCL). I will be studying at the Catholic University of Leuven, originally founded in 1415, which offers a more flexible pattern of learning that better suits priests such as myself in full-time parish ministry. For much of the year I will be undertaking distance learning from the parish, but there will be several times in the year when I will have to attend Leuven in person for concentrated teaching weeks and examinations. At the end of this process, please God, I will be a fully qualified Canon Lawyer at the service of the local church in Liverpool.

I thank you all in advance for your prayers and patience as I undertake further study. There will be times when I will not be as available as I would wish to be, and this process is likely to take several years. May the good Lord vivify my mind and enliven my heart as I embrace this new challenge.

God bless you all
Fr Thomas

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you thinking about becoming a Roman Catholic?

Would you like to know more?

Would you like a space and time to ask questions?

Are you a Catholic who wishes to know more about your faith?

The R.C.I.A. is a process of accompanying people in their faith journey, there is no expectation or pressure, rather a 'walking with' model of deepening faith and exploring the vast treasures of the Roman Catholic Church.

If you, or you know someone who is interested in starting this time of discernment then please pass your name, address and telephone number into the parish office or email stwilfridswidnes@rcaol.org.uk and one of the R.C.I.A. Team will contact you, answer any questions you may have and let you know when the group will meet!

Make a leap of faith and start a wonderful journey!

Gift of Life for Zambia Trip to Port Sunlight and Cheshire Oaks, Wednesday, 12th October

Our next trip is to the beautiful 19th century garden village created for the Sunlight Soap factory workers. We will enjoy an on-board guided tour covering the history of the workers, their homes, monuments, memorials and garden landscaping. You will then have a couple of hours to visit the spectacular Lady Lever Art Gallery (free), have lunch or take a stroll. We then drive to Cheshire Oaks where you can "shop 'til you drop" or enjoy a late lunch.

We leave St. Basil and All Saints at 9.30am and return about 6pm.

The cost to include the coach and on-board guided tour is £15. To book a place simply put your money in an envelope marked with your name, address and phone 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 other details.

All profits to St. Francis Care Centre, Livingstone, Zambia

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

Church Restoration Fund

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

Tickets £3.00

Available from Choir Members

Brendon 0151 420 0611

Roy 0151 424 1924

Or the Parish Office

Parish Choir

The next gathering of our Parish Choir is on Monday 10th October in St. Bede's Church at 7.00pm.

As usual, everyone is very welcome, even if you have not sung before, or been part of this group previously, or are only able to come along occasionally.

CONGRATULATIONS DOREEN AND DANNY HART

Danny and Doreen celebrate 60 years of marriage this week and we wish them every blessing on this wonderful occasion!
May God continue to bless you both!

Used Stamps

Fr Bill would like to remind people that there is a box at back of church for all your used stamps.

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 will be anointed with the Oil of the Sick and be prayed over by the priests of the parish. All are welcome to attend.

Thursday 20th October at 12 noon

St. Michael's Church, WA8 8TF

Refreshments will be served after Mass!

Upcoming Meetings...

Eucharistic Ministers

Wednesday 12th October at 7.30pm at St. Bede's Guild Hall.

Sacramental Programme Catechists

Thursday 13th October at 7.30pm at St. Bede's Guild Hall.

Deanery Synodal Council

Saturday 15th October at 10am at St. Bede's Guild Hall. *(Just for parish reps on the Synodal Council)*

Liturgy Group

Tuesday 18th October at 7.30pm at St. Bede's Presbytery.

No group in our parish is a 'closed shop', if you would like to know more about the work or commitment it would take to be part of any group, ask or just 'turn up' and find out more. You will be made most welcome!

Walsingham Pilgrimage

26/11/22 To 28/11/22

I hope you are all looking forward to our pilgrimage this year to Walsingham. It is now time to pay the outstanding balance, which must be handed in to the Parish Office with "Walsingham" and Your name and contact written clearly on the envelope. Your cheque should be made payable to "St Wilfrid Widnes".

Payments must be in by 17th October 2022.

If you have a standard room, balance owing is £150.00 and if you have an ensuite balance is £160. Anyone with special dietary requirements please ensure you put this on your envelope.

Further details will follow nearer the time.

Thank You

Widnes Foodbank – October Shopping List

Every food item generously donated to our foodbank will help to save a life. This month, they are asking if you could especially donate...

UHT Milk

Tinned Fish

Cuppa Soup

Sponge Puddings

Rice Pudding

Pasta Sauce

Biscuits/Treats

Custard

Rice

Please do not leave donations at the back of any of the Churches. All donations can be dropped off at any of the collection points in Widnes Town Centre.

Mass Times

Sunday 9th October

09.00am Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – Benny Lynch – 11th Anniversary
 10.00am Holy Mass (*St Michael*) – Margaret McCann & Deceased Family Members
 10.00am Holy Mass (*St John Fisher*) – Doreen & Danny Hart – Diamond Wedding
 11.00am Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – Parishioners
 16:00pm Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – Pat Kennedy – Lately Dead

Monday 10th October

09.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (*St. Basil*)
 09.10am Morning Prayer (*St. Basil*)
 09:30 am Holy Mass (*St Basil*) – Residents of Care Homes

Tuesday 11th October

11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (*St Bede*)
 11.40am Holy Rosary (*St Bede*)
 12 Noon Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – Pauline Harrison – Lately Dead

Wednesday 12th October

11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (*St Bede*)
 11.40am Holy Rosary (*St Bede*)
 12 Noon Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – Mary Florence Reid - Anniversary

Thursday 13th October

10.30am Funeral Service – Wayne Beaulieu (St Bede)
 11.30am Exposition the Blessed Sacrament (*St Michael*)
 11.40am Holy Rosary (*St. Michael*)
 12 Noon Holy Mass (*St. Michael*) – Barbara & George Pierce

Friday 14th October

09.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (*St. John Fisher*)
 09.10am Morning Prayer (*St. John Fisher*)
 09.30am Holy Mass (*St. John Fisher*) – Kim Clews & Family

Saturday 15th October

10.00am Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – Barlow & Waldron Families
 10.30am Confessions and Rosary (*St Bede*)
 17.00pm Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – Stuart O’Toole - Lately Dead
 18.00pm Holy Mass (*St Basil*) – Val MacPartlon - Lately Dead

Sunday 16th October

09.00am Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – George Sadler - Anniversary
 10.00am Holy Mass (*St Michael*) – James Quinn - 11th Anniversary
 10.00am Holy Mass (*St John Fisher*) – Joyce & Arthur Mears
 11.00am Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – John Richards - Anniversary
 16:00pm Holy Mass (*St Bede*) – Parishioners

Sanctuary Lamp

St Bede: Prayers for vocations
St Basil: For the lonely
St John Fisher: Monsignor Charles Glass
St Michael: Deceased Members of the Parish

St Bede’s
 Church
 is open
 for private
 prayer
 Mon – Fri
 10:00 – 13:00