

# 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

**'In your great love, answer me, O God'**

## Care for Clergy

Last Tuesday, Widnes and Warrington Deanery priests met with Knowsley Deanery and St. Helen's Deanery priests to continue the Synodal conversation regarding the care for clergy within the Archdiocese. It was very fruitful time together.

The conversation focused on ongoing formation for the clergy and developing the skills that we need to serve the communities that we have care for. We also looked at our need for spiritual development, for if we hope to feed others, we need to be fed too. There was a great generosity of spirit in the room and a great humility in acknowledging that we sometimes do not have the skills that we need to serve the changing face of our church community.

There was also a plea made to us individually to share the gifts that we do have as individuals and as a parish community with the wider church, sharing resources and best practice. Again, great generosity from all who were there.

The face of the Church changes, as it should, and we need to be ready, as best we can, to adapt and change to meet the challenges that our community faces. To stand with our community as one who serves them.

Please pray for your priests; we are not perfect, but we are trying!

**Fr. Mark**

### Confessions In Our Churches

As we constantly review and reflect upon how we serve the whole parish, we have decided to offer confessions in each of our churches. On the first Saturday of the month, the Mass and Confession will be in different churches.

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July at 10am – St. Basil's Church**

**The Clergy Team**

### Private Prayer

St Bede's Church is open for private prayer Monday to Friday from 10.00am until 13.00pm, except for funerals.

You are encouraged to come in and spend some time in prayer for your own needs, the needs of the Church and the world.

### Lourdes 2023 – Moment of Remembrance Centenary Year

As part of the pilgrimage week there will be an opportunity for us to commemorate those who have travelled to Lourdes over the years and have since died. As a simple act of remembrance, we will present the box of names to Our Lady at the Grotto.

If you would like a past pilgrim to Lourdes to be remembered, please email the Parish Office with the name or pop it through the letter box marked 'LOURDES REMEMBRANCE' and we will forward it to the Archdiocesan Lourdes Group.

### Lourdes Mass

For those Parishioners that have booked a place on the coach going to The Lourdes Centenary Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June.

The coach will leave St Bede's at **3:45pm**.

**PLEASE DO NOT BE LATE !**

### Thank You from The Missionary Fathers

The Missionary Appeal Collection raised a massive £2043.16.

We have received a lovely letter of thanks from them, and as a token of their gratitude, the Missionary Fathers will be offering Mass for all our parishioners in thanksgiving of their generosity.

### Meetings

Last week the members of the *Deanery Synodal Council* met to continue our discussions and planning in the synodal journey. Much time is given by a lot of people to keep the momentum of the Synod going, reflecting on who we are called to be as Church in this time and in this place.

*St. Wilfrid's Parish Synodal Council* reps are Fr. Mark, Susan Warburton, Pauline Rolt, Peter Mc Cann, and Denise Roberts.

This week the members of the *Parish Synodal Council* will meet again to plan and reflect on our own parish situation, to look to the future with hope and be a place of evangelisation and growth in our community. Thank you to the parish reps who give so much of their time with such generosity of spirit!

The *Buildings Group* are meeting twice in the next two weeks, once with Kirk Williams, the Senior Surveyor from the Archdiocese of Liverpool, to move forward the needed work at St. Bede's Church, also the properties that we have in our charge.

*St. Wilfrid's Buildings Group* is Fr. Mark, Fr. Thomas, Sylvia Cawley, Peter Mc Cann, Wayne Murray, and Susan Warburton

So much happens behind the scenes in ensuring our parish is safeguarded for the future and we could not do without the volunteers from the parish who give hours of their time and expertise for the good of us all. May God bless them!

### Requiescant in pace

Ann (Sheila) Rose  
Andrew Barrow  
John Michael Naughton

May the Angels lead them into paradise!

### Sanctuary Lamp

*The sanctuary lamp burns for 7 days for your intentions.*

<b>St Bede</b>	Brenda McLean
<b>St Michael</b>	Private Intention
<b>St John Fisher</b>	Ian Cawley
<b>St Basil</b>	Private Intention

### St. Wilfrid's Parish Lourdes Mass and Healing Service

Whether you are going to Lourdes or not, you are invited to come and ask for the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Bernadette, that they may point you ever more into the Heart of Jesus.

**Lourdes Mass – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm**  
**St. John Fisher Church, WA8 3JA**

After Mass we shall process with candles to the grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes to pray a rosary together and sing, 'Ave Maria!'.

**Service of Healing – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30pm**  
**St. John Fisher Church, WA8 3JA**

We shall gather to pray for the gift of healing and all who wish shall be anointed and receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

**All are welcome!**

### LGBTQ+ Mass

The next Mass for the LGBTQ+ community and their families will take place on,

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm**  
**All Saints Church, Anfield, L4 2QG**

All are welcome to attend this Mass and to stay for refreshments afterwards.

### Parish Offertory Envelopes 2023/2024

There are still several boxes of offertory envelopes at the back of St Bede's church.

If the boxes have not been collected by 1<sup>st</sup> July they will be disposed of.

### Lourdes Meeting

There will be a meeting for all those who are going to Lourdes with the Archdiocesan Pilgrimage on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm** (straight after the 7pm Mass) in St. Bede's Church.

All the information that we have will be shared at this meeting and any questions that you have we will try to answer!

**Fr. Mark, Denise Roberts, and Ged Glover**



## Parish Liturgy

**On the Feast of SS Peter & Paul there will be a collection for Peter's Pence.  
Thank you in advance for your generosity.**

### **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June**

9.00am	Holy Mass	St Bede	Thomas Edward Walsh, Anniversary
9.30am	Holy Mass	St Michael	Gerard McCann & Deceased Family
10.30am	Holy Mass	St John Fisher	Ray Ellis , Sick
11.15am	Holy Mass	St Bede	Hugh Brennan Snr, Birthday Remembrance
4.00pm	Holy Mass	St Bede	Mary Florence Reid, Anniversary

### **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

9.00am	Exposition	St Basil	
9.30am	Holy Mass	St Basil	Matty Wheeler, Lately Dead

### **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

11:30am	Exposition	St Bede	
12 Noon	Holy Mass	St Bede	Pat Jenkins, Lately Dead

### **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Funeral Service</b>	<b>St Basil</b>	<b>Catherine Jones</b>
18:30pm	Exposition	St Bede	<b>Vigil Mass for SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>
7.00pm	Holy Mass	St Bede	Tom Stanley, Lately Dead

### **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

		<b>Feast of SS Peter &amp; Paul Holy Day of Obligation</b>	
7.00am	Holy Mass	St John Fisher	Teresa Topping, Lately Dead
09:30am	Holy Mass	St Basil	Mary & Joseph Davies, Wed Anniversary
12 Noon	Holy Mass	St Michael	John Joseph Mulroy, Anniversary

### **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June**

9:00am	Exposition	St John Fisher	
09:30am	Holy Mass	St John Fisher	Bill Pye

### **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July**

10:00am	Holy Mass	St Basil	Margaret Parr
10:30am	Confessions	St Basil	
5.00pm	Vigil Mass	St Bede	Emily Josephine McClean, Birthday Rem
5.00pm	Vigil Mass	St Basil	Brian McCann, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

### **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

9.00am	Holy Mass	St Bede	Mary Timperley, Birthday Remembrance
9.30am	Holy Mass	St Michael	Parishioners
10.30am	Holy Mass	St John Fisher	Annette Naughton
11.15am	Holy Mass	St Bede	Margaret Riley, Birthday Remembrance
4.00pm	Holy Mass	St Bede	Anthony Edwards