

**ST WILFRID'S, GARSTON / ALLERTON / GRASSEDALE**

**1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR B)**

**3 DECEMBER 2023**

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**MASSES & SERVICES**

**Saturday 2 December (Vigil Mass of Sunday)**

5.15 pm Confessions

6.00 pm Mass with Blessing of Advent Wreath ()

**Sunday 3 December (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent B)**

8.45 Confessions

9.30 Mass with Blessing of Advent Wreath (Parishioners)

11.15 Mass with Blessing of Advent Wreath (Daniel Klepper)

12.30 Baptism

**Monday 4 December**

9.10 Morning Prayer

9.30 Mission Mass (Francis, Helen & Julia Hyland)

**7.30 Mission Evening : THE FATHER'S WILL FOR US**

**Tuesday 6 December (St John Almond, Priest & Martyr)**

9.10 Morning Prayer

9.30 Mission Mass (Lancashire Infirm Secular Clergy Fund)

**7.30 Mission Evening : RENEWED FREEDOM IN JESUS**

**Wednesday 6 December**

9.10 Morning Prayer

9.30 Mission Mass (John Green)

**7.30 Mission Evening : HEALING OUR WOUNDED HEART**

**Thursday 7 December (St Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church)**

9.10 Morning Prayer

9.30 Mission Mass (Gwen Williams)

**7.30 Mission Evening : SAINTS OF GOD**

**Friday 8 December (Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary)**

**7.10 Rosary**

**7.30 Closing Mass of the Mission** (Noel Boyd)

**Saturday 9 December**

9.10 Rosary

9.30 Mass (Relatives & Friends of the Oakley & Horan Families)

5.15 pm Confessions

6.00 pm Vigil Mass (Winifred Edgerton)

## **Next Sunday 10 December (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent B)**

8.45 Confessions

9.30 Mass (Mary Rice)

11.15 Mass (Parishioners)

12.30 Baptisms

### **SICK LIST**

Sean Armstrong, Joseph Ball, Linda Barry, Mary O'Neill, John Tallon, Nicholas Cavanagh, Eileen Fowler, Chris Doyle, Pat Toner, Keith Garcia, Tracy Hobson, Michael Peter Holmes, Christopher Brown, Philip Hendrick, Dorothy Lynch, Michael Holmes, Susie Bell, Barbara Brooks, Pam Foster, James Dutton, David Brookfield, Shannon McGrath, Fred Keegan, Eithne McCormack, Betty Needham, Kay Smith, Bob Cramsie, Ann & John Davies, Pauline Preston, Pat Threlfall, Stella O'Donnell, Julia Robertson, Pat Craig, Jenny McGann, Mary Davis, Jane Shanley

### **WELCOME**

We extend a warm welcome to **Archie Miller**, who will be baptized this morning.

### **PARISH MISSION**

A new liturgical year begins this weekend with the First Sunday of Advent, and we start this new year with a Parish Mission led by John Pridmore. This is a second Mission, building on the one he gave here some years ago. John will introduce the Mission at the end of each Mass this weekend.

### **ADVENT PROGRAMME**

Here are some details of the services, devotions and events in our church for the season of Advent.

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent 2/3 December BLESSING OF ADVENT WREATH AT ALL MASSES**

**4-8 December PARISH MISSION**

**Monday 11 December FIRST CONFESSIONS** (10.00 am, 2.00 pm and 6.00 pm)

**12, 13 & 18 December SCHOOL MASSES** (10.00 am)

**Friday 15 December HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL ADVENT CAROL SERVICE** (1.30 pm)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent 16/17 December BLESSING OF BABY JESUS CRIB FIGURES AT ALL MASSES**

**Tuesday 19 December ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE** (7.30 pm)

### **ON SALE IN ADVENT**

"Walk With Me" booklets for Advent and Christmas are available at the piety stall for **£1** each. There are two new features as well : a range of Church Art calendars, likewise costing **£1** each; and devotional candles depicting various saints, for which the requested offering is **50p** each. Because of the size of these candles, they will be available at Our Lady's shrine and St Anthony's shrine. They are too large to fit in the spaces on the other votive candle stands.

### **CHRISTMAS MASSES**

Previously, the times of the three Christmas Masses were 12 midnight, 9.30 am and 11.15 am. Two of these times are changing this year, and the new timetable is :

**FIRST MASS OF CHRISTMAS 7.00 pm Christmas Eve**

**CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS 12.00 midnight (with Carols at 11.30 pm)**

**CHRISTMAS MORNING MASS 10.00 am Christmas Day**

### **MISSION PRAYER**

*Heavenly Father, we pray that our Parish Mission may be a time of grace and renewal for all. We ask you to bless all the families in our parish, especially those who are experiencing difficulties. Bless the old, the young, the poor, the sick, the unemployed and those in sorrow or despair. Help us, dear Lord, to grow in faith and love of you and of each other. Amen.*





