

ST WILFRID'S, GARSTON / ALLERTON / GRASSENDALE

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (A)

11 JANUARY 2026

Parish Priest : Fr David Potter; Deacon : Revd Paul Whitehead *Tel. 0151 427 4015*

MASSES & SERVICES

Saturday 10 January (Vigil Mass)

5.15 pm Confessions
6.00 pm Mass of Thanksgiving for Baptism (In Thanksgiving)

Sunday 11 January (Feast of the Baptism of the Lord A)

8.45 Confessions
9.30 Mass (Anthony Crilly)
11.30 Mass (Parishioners)

Christmastide ends and Ordinary Time begins

Monday 12 January (St Aelred of Rievaulx, Abbot)

8.30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.10 Morning Prayer
9.30 Mass (John Hollingsworth)

Tuesday 13 January (St Hilary of Poitiers, Bishop & Doctor of the Church)

8.30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.10 Morning Prayer
9.30 Mass (Private Intention JE)

Wednesday 14 January (St Kentigern, Bishop & Secondary Patron of the Archdiocese)

8.30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.10 Morning Prayer
9.30 Mass (Alison Berry)

Thursday 15 January

8.30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.10 Morning Prayer
9.30 Mass (Christine Harrison)

Friday 16 January

8.30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.10 Morning Prayer
9.30 Mass (Mary Kirwan)

Saturday 17 January (St Antony of Egypt, Abbot)

9.10 Rosary
9.30 Mass (Angela Batey)
5.15 Confessions
6.00 Vigil Mass (Parishioners)

Next Sunday 18 January (2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time A) Start of Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity

8.45 Confessions
9.30 Mass (Peter Crompton)
11.30 Mass (Intentions of Heywood Family)
4.00 Rosary & Benediction

SICK LIST

Sean Armstrong, Linda Barry, Mary O'Neill, Nicholas Cavanagh, Eileen Fowler, Chris Doyle, Keith Garcia, Michael Peter Holmes, Philip Hendrick, Dorothy Lynch, Fred Keegan, Bob Cramsie, Pauline Preston, Pat Threlfall, Stella O'Donnell, Julia Robertson, Pat Craig, Jane Shanley, Peter Jeffrey, Grace Astbury, Gerard Doyle, David Linford

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS 28 December £478.21; 4 January £481.94

BAPTISM THANKSGIVING MASS

The Saturday evening Mass this weekend will be offered in thanksgiving for the **70** people (1 adult and 69 children) who were baptized here last year. Families who had a child baptized in 2025 have been invited to this celebration.

SVP COFFEE MORNING

The next SVP Coffee Morning is scheduled for **11.00 am on Thursday 15 January** in the Meeting Room. Anyone needing a lift can contact Steff on **07933734292**.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

Pope Leo's prayer intention for January 2026 is :

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

POPE LEO'S COMMENTS ON DEVELOPMENTS IN VENEZUELA

In his Angelus address last Sunday 4 January, the day after events in Venezuela made international headlines, the Holy Father offered these remarks on the unfolding situation :

It is with deep concern that I am following the developments in Venezuela. The good of the beloved Venezuelan people must prevail over every other consideration.

Pope Leo added that these developments *must lead to the overcoming of violence, and to the pursuit of paths of justice and peace, guaranteeing the sovereignty of the country*. He also called for *ensuring the rule of law enshrined in its Constitution, respecting the human and civil rights of each and every person, and working together to build a peaceful future of cooperation, stability and harmony*.

Finally, the Pope insisted that *Special attention [is due] to the poorest, who are suffering because of the difficult economic situation* in Venezuela.

