



**Parishes of St Bede, Clayton Green  
and St Chad, South Hill  
Parish News**

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

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**Our First Holy Communion celebrations** are now well underway. There will be seven celebrations in all. Our congratulations to all the children who will be receiving this wonderful sacrament for the first time. Thank you to the staff in our schools and our parish catechists who have prepared them so well for this important moment in their lives. *All our parishioners are asked to keep our First Holy Communion children and their families in your prayers in the coming weeks.*

**Confirmation 2021.** Archbishop Malcolm will be coming to Chorley in November to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation for our Deanery. **Any young people in Year 8 and above** are asked to get in touch with their parish or their High School Chaplain if they want to be confirmed this year.

**Any adults who missed getting confirmed when they were younger** are invited to get in touch with Fr Mark if they would like to know more about celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. It would be great to hear from you.

**Summer Festival**

**The Chorley Network of Catholic Laity had planned to run a summer festival** to be held in the garden of St. Gregory's church on Sunday 11th July. Due to the extension of Covid-19 restrictions this has now been postponed until Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Thank you to the parishioners who kindly offered to help with our parish stalls at the event. We will need all your help in September if you are still able to attend. Thank you.

**Special Ministers of Holy Communion:** If you are able to start visiting our housebound parishioners in their homes again, please let Fr Mark know and he can let you know what the current Covid secure guidelines are for visiting people in their homes. If you aren't able to start your ministry again at the moment, please let us know so we can ask someone else to help out. If any Special Ministers of Holy Communion are interested in taking the Blessed Sacrament to people in their homes, please talk to Fr Mark. Thank you.

**Baptisms** are being celebrated in our churches at midday on Sundays. We are trying to keep celebrations to one family each week to reduce the numbers of people attending each service. If you wish to bring your child for baptism, please ring the office at St Bede's or Fr Mark at St Chad's and we can book a day for your celebration. You can also send us an e-mail with your telephone number and we will call you back. Thank you.

**Your help is needed.** Donations of non-perishable food and toiletries are needed to support local charities. Please leave any donations you are able to make at the back of church. Anything received at St Bede's will go to the Brownedge Food Bank and anything received at St Chad's will go to Chorley Help the Homeless at Dorothy House. Chorley. Help the Homeless are also looking for donations of household goods – anything that someone might need to set up a new home. Please ring their office on 01257 273320 and they will tell you how you can make your donation.

**Chorley Buddies**, run by the St Vincent de Paul Society, have done a great service supporting people in our area during the pandemic. They have just received their annual phone bill of nearly £900 because their volunteers spent so much time chatting to people who found themselves alone during the lock downs. Any amount large or small is very welcome to help them meet this bill. You can make a donation on-line at <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/paul-mcbeth-3> or any money handed in to church or to either presbytery in an envelope marked "Chorley Buddies" will be handed on to them. Thank you.

### Masses this week.

#### 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	6pm	St. Bede's	Derek Shirtcliffe
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15am	St. Chad's	Parishioners
	11am	St. Bede's	Loftus family
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15am	St. Chad's	Jim Carrol (RIP)
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15am	St Bede's	Marie Rose Sanderson
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July		No Mass	
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15am	St. Chad's	Special Intention
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15am	St. Bede's	Agnes Paul
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	6pm	St. Bede's	Lawrence Phillips

#### 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15am	St. Chad's	Dennis Gray (RIP)
	11am	St. Bede's	Parishioners

#### Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners:

Syd Newton, George Morris, Peter Deacon, Amy Greenhalgh, Vincent Cahill, Margaret Gray, Thomas Hesse, Ray Briant, Eileen Farnworth, Pat Johnson, Robert Rainford, Brenda Wrightson, Maria Reynolds, Eileen Ainscough, Tony Miller, Tony Morris, Marie Barnish, Helen Witte, Gabrielle Myerscough, Connie Foy, Katherine Yates, Marie Rose Sanderson, Mark Smith, Clare Yarwood, Marie Coleman, Lawrence Phillips and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

**The funeral of Patricia Starkey** will take place at St Chad's on Thursday of this week. Please keep Pat and her family in your prayers.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

At present due to Covid-19 restrictions we are not permitted to celebrate this sacrament in the confessional. If anyone would like to make their confession, please telephone Fr Mark on 01257 460154 and we can arrange to meet outside one of our churches.

**Little Church Volunteers Wanted at St Bede's.** Would you like to be part of the Little Church team and help to deliver children's liturgy to our children at Sunday morning mass? We will need more volunteers if we are able to begin Little Church again in September. Could you help? To find out more please contact Jo on 07946601573 for St Bede's or Fr Mark on 01257 460154.

#### Liturgy of the Word for Children: Resources for this week.

Invite the children to colour in the accompanying illustration (available at the back of church or on-line) and remind them that every child in the picture is different and special. On the back encourage them to write or draw what is special about someone they know well, or what special things this person does for them, or for others. Encourage them to treat all people with kindness, fairness and respect this week and not to judge anyone for where they come from because we are all God's children.

[http://cafod.org.uk/content/download/25312/181897/version/5/file/Prayer childrens-liturgy 14th-Sunday-Ordinary-Time-B-illustration.pdf](http://cafod.org.uk/content/download/25312/181897/version/5/file/Prayer%20childrens-liturgy%2014th-Sunday-Ordinary-Time-B-illustration.pdf)

If you would like to sing along to "I the Lord of sea and sky" follow this link,  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0p1ak22jNLI>

**Live streaming of our Masses:** Mass from our parishes is still being streamed on our Facebook page. Go to Facebook and look for "Parishes of St Chad and St Bede" and request to join the group. You can use this site <https://www.churchservices.tv/county/lancashire> to find **lots of other Masses being streamed** with better sound quality than we can provide in our churches, including from St Joseph's, Chorley, St Gregory's, Leyland St Mary's, and Brownedge St Mary's.

## Readings for Mass. 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Year B. 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021

### A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

The word of the Lord.

### Responsorial Psalm

***Our eyes are on the Lord till he shows us his mercy.***

To you have I lifted up my eyes,  
you who dwell in the heavens;  
my eyes, like the eyes of slaves  
on the hand of their lords.

***Our eyes are on the Lord till he shows us his mercy.***

Like the eyes of a servant  
on the hand of her mistress,  
so our eyes are on the Lord our God  
till he show us his mercy.

***Our eyes are on the Lord till he shows us his mercy.***

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

We are filled with contempt.

Indeed all too full is our soul  
with the scorn of the rich,  
with the proud man's disdain.

***Our eyes are on the Lord till he shows us his mercy.***

### A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its

best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

The word of the Lord

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us:**

**to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!**



### Gospel: Mark 6:1-6

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.