



Parishes of St Bede, Clayton Green and St Chad, South Hill

Parish News

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time. 22nd August 2021

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Masses this week.

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 21 st August	6pm	St. Bede's	Paddy Magee
Sunday 22 nd August	9.15am	St. Chad's	Edward & Martha Grundy, Deceased of Kershaw family
	11am	St. Bede's	Thanksgiving
Monday 23 rd August	9.15am	St. Chad's	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Tuesday 24 th August	9.15am	St Bede's	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Wednesday 25 th August			No Mass
Thursday 26 th August	9.15am	St. Chad's	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Friday 27 th August	9.15am	St. Bede's	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Saturday 28 th August	6pm	St. Bede's	Anthony

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 29 th August	9.15am	St. Chad's	Parishioners
	11am	St. Bede's	Adam

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, Anna Howard and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

Mass Intentions: Mass intentions are very welcome in both St Bede's and St Chad's parishes. If you would like Mass to be offered please use one of the envelopes at the back of church and hand it in to Fr Mark or through the door of either presbytery with your donation. Masses may be offered for anyone, living or dead, or for a prayer close to your heart e.g., vocations, the sick, our schools etc. Over the years requests for Mass to be offered have been an important source of income for our parishes.

This week we welcome Fr Julius Madaki back to look after our parishes for three weeks while Fr Mark is on holiday. Fr Julius was with us last summer and he is very much looking forward to seeing everyone again. Last month he successfully defended his Doctoral Thesis in Rome and he will soon be returning to Nigeria to teach men training for the priesthood. **Our Parish administrator, Clare, will be working in the Parish office on Tuesdays 10-5pm and Thursdays and Fridays 10-3pm, telephone 01772 335209. She is happy to help with any enquiries, baptism requests, Mass intentions, to request confession, Holy Communion at home etc. for both our parishes.**

We all want everyone to feel safe in our churches and to prevent the spread of the Covid-19 virus. Please continue to be careful in church, maintaining a safe distance from other people when moving around the building and not 'leaning in' to talk quietly to someone. **Hand sanitising remains necessary as people arrive. Face coverings remain mandatory for all those coming to a church service.** (Exemptions for medical reasons excluded.)

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.

Ministry in Church.

It would be great to have a few more readers, Special Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, people to clean our churches, musicians and singers, flower arrangers, gardeners etc. If you would like to know more about how to get involved or to resume a service to your parish please get in touch. When Fr Mark gets back in September we will be holding some open meetings for existing and new volunteers in both our parishes and start some of our regular parish groups again.

You are invited!

Bring your family and celebrate with the whole Chorley Pastoral Area.

Big Sunday Festival. 12th September 1-5pm

**BBQ, live music, stalls, free workshops and workouts,
you are welcome to bring you own food and drink too.**

St Gregory's Gardens, Weldbank, Chorley. Free Entry. Save the date!

Our two parishes will be running a couple of stalls at this event. We hope to be selling home-made cakes. If you are a baker and are willing to bake something for our stall please get in touch. You can bring your cakes to church before or after weekend Masses on 11th and 12th September and they will be taken to the event. Any cakes are welcome. Small or large, scones, cup-cakes etc. Thank you.

HELP US TO PUT A SMILE ON PEOPLE'S FACES!

We need more volunteers! We have 7 lovely people. who want to get out of their house but just need some help and encouragement. Can you offer a few hours a week to give them the confidence to break free from their 4 walls?

And you'll meet some lovely people who are already putting smiles on peoples' faces! You won't regret it!
PLEASE contact Chorley Buddies NOW on 01257 542367 or email chorleybuddies@svp.org.uk

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

Lots of people found it too hard to believe that Jesus was really the Son of God and so they gave up, went away and didn't listen to him anymore. What do we do when things are difficult? You could look at cafod.org.uk/families for the family resources for this week.

Our 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 The Gateway, Friday Street. The Brownedge Food Bank are particularly looking for breakfast cereals, tinned vegetables and tinned meat. Chorley Help the Homeless have requested donations of tinned soup, Cup of Soup, Pot Noodles, Long life milk, tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding, baked beans, sugar, shampoo. 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.

CAFOD is responding to multiple emergencies across the world

CAFOD is responding to significant crises across the world this week. We are working with local Church organisations in Haiti to deliver emergency aid to people affected by the catastrophic earthquake and tropical storm. In the tragic situation in Afghanistan, we are working to ensure the safety of our local partners and their communities. We are supporting local aid workers to deliver urgent food and water supplies to hundreds of thousands of people facing extreme hunger in Tigray in Ethiopia, South Sudan and north-east Nigeria. You can read more about how we can all express solidarity with our sisters and brothers affected by these emergencies on the CAFOD website: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news>. Your compassion, generosity and prayers have helped us to stand together and enable us to continue to support communities in these difficult times. Thank you.

IN RESPONSE TO THIS APPEAL WE WILL BE COLLECTING FOR CAFOD AT ALL MASSES NEXT WEEKEND.