

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

Parish News

24th Sunday of Ordinary Time. 12th September 2021

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Masses this week

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 11 th Sept	6pm	St. Bede's	Special Intention
Sunday 12 th Sept	9.15am	St. Chad's	Parishioners
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Monday 13 th Sept	9.15am	St. Chad's	Ian Holden (Anniversary)
Tuesday 14 th Sept	9.15am	St Bede's	John Hardman
Wednesday 15 th Sept		No Mass	
Thursday 16 th Sept	9.15am	St. Chad's	Moulding & Whittle families
Friday 17 th Sept	9.15am	St. Bede's	Agnes Paul (Speedy recovery)
Saturday 18 th Sept	6pm	St. Bede's	Mary Mullarkey (RIP)

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 19 th Sept	9.15am	St. Chad's	Special Intention
	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, Elizabeth Cook, Helen Witte, Gabrielle Myerscough, Connie Foy, Katherine Yates, Marie Rose Sanderson, Mark Smith, Clare Yarwood, Marie Coleman, Lawrence Phillips, Anna Howard, Jenny Campbell and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Martin Baines whose funeral mass will take place at St Bede's on Tuesday and **Kevin Cullen** whose funeral service will take place at St Bede's on Thursday.

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.

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.)

We now distribute Holy Communion at the usual time in Mass, rather than as people leave church. We are all going to need to be patient with each other, stepping back to allow someone to pass at a safe distance, when necessary, until we get used to a new system. Thank you for your patience.

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.

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 financial 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.

Season of Creation

The UK will host the 26th United Nation Climate Change Conference (COP26) in Glasgow from 31 October to 12 November 2021. 'COP' means 'conference of parties'. Leaders from 197 countries, including Pope Francis, who have signed up to the UN's climate change treaty, will travel to Glasgow to take part in the conference. This will be the largest gathering of world leaders ever to take place on British soil.

The focus of the conference will be how to keep temperature rises below 1.5C. If the world warms more than this threshold, millions more people in the most vulnerable communities around the globe will suffer from devastating droughts, storms, floods and other impacts of climate change. Governments will be obliged to set out more ambitious goals for ending their contribution to climate change under the Paris Agreement (2015).

CAFOD inviting us to sign a petition urging the Prime Minister to make sure the communities hardest hit by the climate emergency are listened to at COP26. You can sign the petition online : <https://e-activist.com/page/73304/petition/1>

St. Bede's Children's Liturgy – "Little Church"

Now schools are mixing bubbles and are having assemblies, it is going to be safe to hold Little Church back in the old school. We can socially distance and sanitise. So Little Church can start again on Sunday the 19th of September during 11am Mass at St. Bede's.

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

Invite the children to colour in the accompanying illustration and to write in the banner how they will follow Jesus this week. Encourage the children to tell the people at home all that they have heard and thought about today. Remind them to try and show how they are following Jesus in all their actions this week.

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