

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

**25<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time. 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

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**Masses this week.**

**25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	6pm	St. Bede's	Mary Mullarkey (RIP)
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.15am	St. Chad's	Private Intention
	11am	St. Bede's	Parishioners
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.15am	St. Chad's	Gannon & Green families
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> Sept	9.15am	St Bede's	Theresa Roe (RIP)
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept		No Mass	
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	9.15am	St. Chad's	Elizabeth Walmsley & Coupe family
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.15am	St. Bede's	Jackie Farrell (RIP)
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	6pm	St. Bede's	Shelia Feeney (RIP)

**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.15am	St. Chad's	Parishioners
	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 keep in your prayers those who have died recently and their families. Marie Barnish, Martin Baines and Kevin Cullen. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.**

**Fr Julius has now returned to Rome to prepare to travel to his new ministry at a seminary in Nigeria. Our thanks to him for serving in our parishes with cheerfulness and generosity over the past three weeks. Thanks to the parishioners who helped him with lifts between our churches and with shopping and meals. Fr Julius wants everyone to know that he is very grateful for your kindness.**

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.)**

**Today is Home Mission Sunday.** We are asked to pray for the work of the Church in trying to make the Good News of Christ heard in our noisy world. We might also ask God to help each of us play our part in making Jesus known and loved through our words and our example. The retiring collection after Masses this weekend will support to the work of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to promote the proclamation of the gospel especially through the many modern means of communication. Please use the baskets at the back of church if you wish to make a donation. Thank you.

Thank you to our volunteers at the celebration at St Gregory's last week – to those who baked the beautiful cakes and everyone who looked after our tombola and cake stalls. The day was a great success and it's hoped to run it again next year.

#### **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.

#### **Annual Mass Count**

Please could stewards make a note of the total number of adults and children attending all weekend Masses on the following four weekends: 18/19 September; 25-26 September; 2/3 October and 9/10 October. Please leave the numbers counted each week in the sacristy after Mass. Thank you.

#### **Children's Liturgy – "Little Church"**

We are delighted to announce that "Little Church" starts again this Sunday, the 19th of September, during 11am Mass at St. Bede's. Extra precautions have been taken to ensure everyone will be safe and happy. We hope that Little Church will be starting again very soon at St. Chad's.

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

Invite the children to colour in the accompanying illustration of children around the world. On the back they could write or draw what they will do in the coming week to help others and to show that all children are important and loved by God. Encourage the children to write a prayer for all children around the world, especially those who are living in poverty.

[http://cafod.org.uk/content/download/6103/51368/version/9/prayer\\_childrens-liturgy\\_25th-Sunday-Ordinary-Time-B-pic.pdf](http://cafod.org.uk/content/download/6103/51368/version/9/prayer_childrens-liturgy_25th-Sunday-Ordinary-Time-B-pic.pdf)

#### **Lourdes Pilgrimage.**

The Liverpool Archdiocese Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes is back on this year. Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2022. Ages 15 (or in year 10) – 22 years old. It's a great opportunity for young people to connect with their faith in a fun and practical way. Youth volunteers work in groups to help sick and elderly pilgrims get around Lourdes and attend the services each day. Online applications only. Available on 4<sup>th</sup> October from [liverpool Lourdes youth.co.uk](http://liverpool Lourdes youth.co.uk). Please have a chat to Fr Mark if you would like any further information. We will let you have details of the full Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in 2022 when we have them.

#### **SEASON OF CREATION**

**World Day for Migrants and Refugees.** Next Sunday is the annual World Day of Migrants and Refugees – a day the Church has kept since 1914. It is appropriate that this day falls during the Season of Creation because, in addition to war and persecution, the climate emergency is a direct cause of migration.

**Towards an ever wider "we"** is the theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's World Day of Migrants and Refugees. It's an appeal to build a universal "we" rather than a national "we". Instead of repeating mantra's we've heard, such as "our country is full", or "they come over here and take our jobs", Pope Francis invites us to look at the reality of why people leave their homes and countries, often risking their lives. He asks us to enter into the experience of these vulnerable people who are running from situations we can barely imagine, and to pray for them as they face so many challenges, including hostility, rejection and closed doors. Pope Francis also asks us to become aware of the opportunities migration offers of countries and communities. The Vatican has an extensive website directed personally by Pope Francis which aims to help the Church, and others, to accompany those forced to flee and make sure they are not shut out or left behind: <https://migrants-refugees.va>