



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

### Parish News

29<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time. 17<sup>th</sup> October 2021

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### Masses this week.

#### 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW1)

Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	6pm	St. Bede's	Marie Sanderson
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	9.15am	St. Chad's	Norbert Walmsley (RIP)
	11am	St. Bede's	Parishioners
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	9.15am	St. Chad's	Margaret Matthews (Anniversary)
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	9.15am	St Bede's	Dorothy Oates (RIP)
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October		No Mass	
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	9.15am	St. Chad's	Kathleen & Bernard Sweeney
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	9.15am	St. Bede's	Duggy Campbell (RIP)
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	6pm	St. Bede's	Safe delivery of Mum & Baby

#### 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW2)

Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	9.15am	St. Chad's	David Walmsley (Anniversary)
	11am	St. Bede's	Mother, Brother, 3 Sisters (Ashton-under-Lyne)

#### 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, Marie Coleman, Lawrence Phillips, Anna Howard, Jenny Campbell, Hazel Melling and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

**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.) **At the time of Holy Communion please wait to be called forward by a steward and give people lots of room to pass if you can. Thank you.**

#### Proclaiming the Word of God.

Thank you to the parishioners who have offered to volunteer to read at our weekend Masses. If you have already spoken to Fr Mark or if you would like to become a reader **please let us have your name and contact details** so we can put a new rota together. Thank you.

**Altar servers.** Any young people in Year 4 or older who would like to help at Mass as altar servers are very welcome. We will try and give proper training and help you learn as you go along. Please let Fr Mark know after Mass if you would like to get involved. There is a short consent form which we will ask parents to sign and return to us. Altar servers are asked to arrive in good time before Mass starts if they can. Thank you.



**Mass Intentions and our November Pious Lists:** Thank you to everyone who has requested Mass to be offered for their intentions at St. Chad's and St. Bede's and for this financial support of your parish. The dates available for Masses are quickly filled and there are no more available in October. November is the Month of Prayer for the Holy Souls so our Masses are offered for those who have died and are named on our Pious List. No dates are available for new Mass intentions until December. We will honour Mass intention requests that have already been handed in for November. December dates can now be booked in both parishes. Please talk to Fr Mark if you have any questions regarding Mass intentions.

**If you would like anyone who has died to be included in our Pious List** for Masses celebrated during the month of November, please write their names on a piece of paper and hand it in to the sacristy or through the door of either presbytery in an envelope marked Pious List. An offering can also be included. Pious List envelopes are available at the back of our churches if you need one. Thank you.

### **Do you know anyone who might be interested in becoming a Catholic?**

We are now starting our time of preparation for anyone who would like to become a Catholic, either to be baptised as an adult or if they were baptised in another Christian denomination to be received into full Communion in the Catholic Church. If you, or anyone in your family would like to take part in please get in touch. We are happy to give you more information about what is involved in joining the Catholic Church. Please let us know if we can help.

### **October – Month of the Holy Rosary.**

The Rosary will be prayed at St Bede's Church at 9am before the morning Mass on Tuesdays and Fridays and at 9am at St Chad's before the morning Mass on Mondays and Thursdays during the month of October. Everyone is very welcome to join us in prayer at these times.

### **UNIVERSAL SYNOD**

**For a Synodal Church:** On **Sunday 17 October**, the Archdiocese of Liverpool is going to mark the opening of the local phase of the universal Synod 2021-23 with a **choral evening prayer in the Metropolitan Cathedral (3pm-4pm)**. This will be also an opportunity to pray for the forthcoming pastoral plan, the fruit of our own archdiocesan Synod 2020. **All are welcome to attend.**

***"A synodal church is a listening church, aware that listening is more than hearing. It is a reciprocal listening in which each one has something to learn."***

*Pope Francis*

### **World Mission Sunday (24<sup>th</sup> October)**

World Mission Sunday is vital to the growth of the Church and the spread of the Gospel in predominantly impoverished and remote areas overseas. The funds raised build much-needed infrastructure, form chapels and schools to orphanages, clinics and dispensaries. Requested by the local community, the support from Missio transforms lives and creates a hub from which the young Church can flourish and grow. World Mission Sunday is one of only three Papal collections and has been especially chosen by the Holy Father to support the mission of the Church in the world via Missio. Please use the baskets at the back of church next weekend if you wish to make a donation. Gift Aid envelopes are available at the back of church. Thank you.



**Mill Hill Missionaries 'Red Box' Holders at St. Bede's** are kindly asked to empty your red collection box, put the money in an envelope and place it in the box at the back of church. Please write your name and contact details on the envelope. They should be placed in the boxes in the next two weeks at the back of church. Thank you.

**Gluten free hosts for Holy Communion are available at all Masses.** Please let Fr Mark know if for medical reasons you need a gluten free host. Let us know before Mass and we can make sure we have enough for everyone who needs one. Thank you.

**Liturgy of the word for children: Resources for this week.**

Invite the children to colour in the accompanying illustration and to write in some of the bricks how they will help others during the coming week. Remind the children to share all that they heard and thought about with the people at home during the week and to do at least one helpful thing every day for the next week.

<https://cafod.org.uk//content/download/26819/255490/version/6/Twenty-ninth%20Sunday%20in%20Ordinary%20Time.pdf>

**St Chad's Parish Centre.**

We are going to need a little committee to take care of the Parish Centre which will look after maintenance, bookings, keys etc. If you would like to take part in keeping our parish centre open please let Fr Mark know and when we get a few volunteers we can call a meeting. Thank you.

**A new step forward for our Parishes?**

CAFOD run a programme called "The *livesimply* award". It is an opportunity for Catholic communities to respond to Pope Francis' invitation in *Laudato Si'* to "work with generosity and tenderness in protecting this world which God has entrusted to us".

What is the *livesimply* award?

It is awarded to communities who can show how they have been living:

- simply
- in solidarity with people in poverty
- sustainably with creation.

Some *livesimply* award communities have encouraged people to walk or cycle to church or school, install solar panels, join a climate change campaign, support Fairtrade stalls or donate to a local food bank. The award celebrates what you have already done and inspires you to do more. It helps your community to live, not just more simply, but also more fully. Some of our parishioners are very keen for us to take part in this programme and to do what we can to be good stewards of the earth and help the most disadvantaged of our brothers and sisters at home and across the world. **If you would like to get involved please pass on your name and contact details to Fr Mark. If we get a few volunteers we can meet and look at the next steps for our parishes to take. Thank you.**



**Chorley Buddies social events take place on 2nd Wednesday of the month,** now moving indoors to St. Chads parish centre. It is for people who have been struggling to get out of the house since the pandemic & could benefit from some company & support. The event begins at 12 noon until 2pm. Lunch is provided & there is entertainment. The event is free or people can make a £3 donation if they are able. Book through [chorleybuddiesreferrals@svp.org.uk](mailto:chorleybuddiesreferrals@svp.org.uk) or phone 01257 542367. If you require transport we have an arrangement with Dial-a-Ride. A return journey will cost you under £5. Weekly activity sessions are also available, for information use the contact details above or find out at the social event.

### Tea and Coffee after Mass?



Following the very positive response to the idea at Masses last week we hope to serve tea and coffee after Masses on Sunday morning next week. **If you would be able to volunteer to help please let us know.** We need things setting up before Mass and people to serve and clear away after Mass. A few people have said that they are willing to help. We understand that not everyone will feel comfortable mixing indoors at the moment and if the gatherings go ahead we are all asked to keep social distancing in place as much as we can. Thank you.

### UN Climate Change Conference (COP26)

The UK will host the 26th UN 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 invite 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 here: <https://e-activist.com/page/73304/petition/1>

### 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.