

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

Parish News

Fourth Sunday of Lent 27th March 2022

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed during Lent at St Bede's on Monday at 1pm,
St Chad's at 7pm this week on Thursday
St. Bede's Church on Friday at 7pm. Everyone welcome.





There will be a service of Reconciliation for our Deanery at St Gregory's Church, Weldbank Lane, Chorley PR7 3WN at 3pm on Sunday 3rd April. After a short time of prayer together several priests will be available around the church for you to make your confession and receive absolution. It's a great way for us to prepare for the celebration of Holy Week together.

CAFOD Family Fast Day - Lent Appeal

Every child should grow big and strong.

Because of our collections for support for the people of Ukraine over the past couple of weekends we missed the collection for Family Fast Day which was on Friday 11th March. We are invited this to support the work of CAFOD to support mums around the world to bring up their children. Your small act of love this Lent will make a big difference to many communities affected by extreme hunger and children suffering from malnutrition. Your donation may be Gift Aided by using a CAFOD envelope available at the back of church. You can also donate through the CAFOD website (cafod.org.uk/lent)

Holy Communion at Home. If any of our parishioners are not able to attend Mass, please let us know. It may be possible to arrange for you to receive Holy Communion at home each week. Please ring Fr Mark on 01257 460154 if you would like to request Holy Communion at home.

Nugent Appel

On Sunday 3rd April our retiring collection is to support Nugent, our Archdiocesan caring service. Inspired by Fr. James Nugent, Nugent offers services for children, families, communities, those with disabilities and older people. It is a lifelong caring service. We pray in hope that the most vulnerable members of our society will be supported and cared for, so that all needs are met. Thank you in advance for your support.



Tea and coffee will be served this weekend after the 9.15am Mass at St Chad's and after the 11am Mass at St Bede's. We hope to raise some money for the Ukraine Cafod appeal so if there are any bakers willing to bring home made cakes or biscuits to sell that would be great. Thank you.

St Chad's Craft Group

We meet **every Tuesday** from 1.30pm to 3.30pm in St Chad's Parish Centre. Everyone is welcome, no skills required. We are a self-help group from beginners to experienced crafters who pass on their skills.

We are hoping to start "Little Church" again at St Chad's. If you would like to help our children learn more about their faith, please get in touch. You will work as part of a team and will only have to help once a month. Volunteers need to have a parish DBS check. Please let Fr Mark know if you are able to help.

If any of our Special Ministers of Holy Communion are able to take Holy Communion to one of the Nursing homes in St Bede's parish, please let us know. Thank you.

St Chad's Choir are looking to recruit a few new members as our numbers have reduced over the past few years. If you would like to join, as a singer or musician, please make your way up the stairs at the back of church to the choir loft before the Sunday Mass where you will be made very welcome.

Easter Cards to Garth and Wymott Prisons

As in previous years we have been asked to send Easter cards to prisoners at our local prisons, Garth and Wymott. There are around 270 prisoners in these prisons who attend Church services. Many of these have been disowned by their friends and families and they look forward to these tokens of Christian fellowship. Please send a religious card, write your message and sign it with your Christian name(s) only. Please do not seal the envelope(s) and return the cards to Church by Sunday 3rd April so that the prison chaplains have time to distribute them by Easter. Many thanks.

How our **Celtic past** can help us today.

Refreshing our communities and renewing our ministries.

Following on from the success of our Pastoral Development Department's Advent Monday reflections, we are running Monday Reflections from 7-8pm on zoom using the Café resource "Belong and Believe" during Lent. There will be opportunity to reflect and discuss the material presented with other people. March 28 - Caring for God's Creation. April 4 - Evangelising with Love & Action. You can register for the Zoom reflections on the website: www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/pastoral-development

For ideas to support your child to pray at home this weekend please visit https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy
The pictures used on this website are usually available at the back of church.

First Reconciliation will be celebrated with children from our parish schools this week - on Wednesday evening at St Chad's and on Thursday evening at St Bede's. Thank you to their families and to our great team of volunteers who have prepared the children so well. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers this week.

Live Simply. Following our meeting with a speaker from Cafod last week we are now able to make plans for our parishes to take part in the Live Simply scheme. We are going to look at how our two parish communities can better support those struggling both in our community and abroad, how we can take good care of the world God has given us and how we can deepen our appreciation of God's gifts in our daily lives. Much of this will build on the many good things that are already being done in our parishes.

Our next meeting will be at St Bede's Parish Centre (which is between the church and the school) on Monday 4th April at 7pm. Everyone who is interested in volunteering or just learning more about the Live Simply scheme is very welcome to come along. Tea and coffee will be served from 6.45pm.

Times of Masses and Services for Holy Week and Easter
Holy Thursday 14th April Mass of the Lord's Supper **7.30pm** at **St Chad's**Good Friday 15th April Commemoration of the Passion of the Lord
3pm at both St Bede's and St Chad's

Holy Saturday 16th April Easter Vigil 8pm at St Bede's

Easter Sunday 17th April Mass of Easter Day **9.15am St Chad's 11am St Bede's**There are sign up sheets at the back of St Bede's church for Readers, Stewards and Special ministers of Holy Communion who are able to help at our Holy Week and Easter services. Volunteers at St Chad's are asked to speak to Fr Mark.

Thank you.

St Bede's Church. 598, Preston Road, Clayton-le-Woods. PR6 7EB **St Chad's Church.** 237, Town Lane, Whittle-le-Woods. PR6 8AJ. **Parish Websites** www.stbedesclaytongreen.co.uk and www.stchads-southhill.org

Facebook page Look for "Parishes of St Chad and St Bede" Masses are streamed several times each week on this page.

E-mail: stbedesclaytongreen@rcaol.org.uk or stchad.chorley@rcaol.org.uk

St Bede's Parish Office 01772 335209 The office is open this week on Tuesday

10-5pm, Thursday and Friday 10-3pm

Parish Priest: Fr. Mark Beattie. Telephone 01257 460154

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Saturday 26th March

6pm St. Bede's Eileen Torevell (RIP) & David Oates (RIP)

Sunday 27th March Fourth Sunday of Lent (PW4)

9.15am St. Chad's Parishioners

11am St. Bede's Fr. Michael O'Neill (RIP)

Monday 28th March

9.15am St. Chad's Patrick Matthews

Tuesday 29th March

9.15am St. Bede's Parishioners

Wednesday 30th March No Mass

Thursday 31st March

9.15am St. Chad's Shevington & Berry family

Friday 1st April

9.15am St. Bede's Eleanor & Peter Crompton

With the children of St Bede's School

Saturday 2nd April

6pm St. Bede's Roger & Eric Haylock

Sunday 3rd April Fifth Sunday of Lent (PW1)

9.15am St. Chad's Mary Raymond

11am St. Bede's Parishioners

Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners

Syd Newton, George Morris, Peter Deacon, Amy Greenhalgh, Margaret Gray, Thomas Hesse, Ray Briant, Eileen Farnworth, Robert Rainford, Brenda Wrightson, Maria Reynolds, Eileen Ainscough, Tony Miller, Tony Morris, Elizabeth Cook, Helen Witte, Gabrielle Myerscough, Connie Foy, Katherine Yates, Marie Coleman, Anna Howard, Jenny Campbell, Hazel Melling, Virginia Hayton-Weed and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

We offer a warm welcome to Daida Robles who will be baptised at St Bede's this weekend.

If you would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter, please let Fr Mark know on 01257 460154. We aren't able to use the confessionals yet but we can arrange to meet at a time convenient for you.