



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

# Parish News

Pentecost Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022

**First Holy Communion Preparation.** All parents of children preparing for their First Holy Communion are asked to bring their child to Mass at the weekend as often as you can. If any children in year 4 have not yet joined our preparation sessions, it's not too late. Please get in touch with Fr Mark and we will help you in any way we can.



First Holy Communion Classes will begin again at St Bede's on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 6.30pm in church.

***We hope that our parishes will be able to support an all-Chorley parishes Alpha and linked RCIA course initiative, starting in September this year. The Alpha Course is an introduction to Christianity designed for people who do not go to church but perhaps are searching for answers to life's big questions. It is also suitable for those who have stopped practising their faith but might want to give it another try. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for those who wish to take their interest further and, perhaps, become Catholics. Each Parish is asked to nominate one or two parishioners to join the Alpha team. The plan would be that they would accompany any current or prospective members of their Parish through both the Alpha and RCIA process. Training and support will be provided, and to be successful you don't need to have any qualifications, just a love of your own faith and an ability to make guests feel welcomed and respected, and a willingness to work in a team. Follow this link for an explanation of how Alpha works, <https://player.vimeo.com/video/214170130> There will be an evening to introduce Alpha to anyone who is interested in offering to help at St Gregory's on 30th June 7-9pm. Please let Fr Mark know if you are interested or need more information or email Paul on [cnocl@hotmail.com](mailto:cnocl@hotmail.com). Thank you.***

**Sacrament of Confirmation:** Bishop Tom Neylon will be in Chorley on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> July to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation for young people in Year 8 and above. Any young people who have not yet signed up to be confirmed are asked to contact Fr Mark as there is still time for you to complete the preparation needed.

**Brownedge Christians Together Foodbank:** The volunteers and recipients thank you for all your support, for your food donations and monetary contributions. Your efforts help us to support 51 households every week. Due to an increase in demand, we are now looking to recruit more volunteers. If you have an hour to spare and would like to join our team, we are in need of bag packers, drivers and some secretarial support. Thank you.



Tel: 07762905978 or Email: [foodbankbct@gmail.com](mailto:foodbankbct@gmail.com)

**Food left at the back of St Chad's goes to support Chorley Help the Homeless. Food left at the back of St Bede's goes to Brownedge Foodbank.**

**If anyone would like to volunteer to be part of our Little Church team at St Bede's** please get in touch. We currently only have three people who help so quite often we can't offer this service to our children. A few more people to help would be very welcome. Thank you.

**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 so please talk to Hilary at the back of church after the 9.15am Mass to begin your application. Thank you.

We are hoping to put a rota together for Special Ministers of Holy Communion at St Bede's for the weekend Masses. If you have been commissioned as a Special Minister and would like to go on the rota, please let Fr Mark know.  
Thank you.

**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.  
We need a few more people to volunteer. Thank you.

**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.

**Gluten Free Hosts** are available at any Mass. Please let the priest know before Mass if you require a gluten free host so we can make sure enough are available.



**The Sacrament of Reconciliation** is always available in our parishes. We aren't able to use the confessionals in church yet but please let Fr Mark know and we can arrange to meet at either church for you to make your confession if you wish.

Congratulations to Peter and Lindzi Fielding who will be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church and confirmed this weekend at St Chad's.

It would be great to have a few more altar servers at our weekend Masses. It is a great way to learn more about our faith and help our parish. Any children in Year 4 or older who would like to get involved are asked to speak to Fr Mark.



Thank you to the young people who have already joined our servers teams. Your help is much appreciated.

Copies of the June edition of the Catholic Pic are available to take for free at the back of church.

### **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.

### **Holy Communion whilst in hospital.**

Please contact St. Joseph's Presbytery if any of your family is admitted to Chorley Hospital 01257 262713.

In Preston Hospital, please inform the chaplain on 01772 522435.

In Wigan Infirmary, please inform the chaplain on 01942 822324.



### **A Prayer for Pentecost**

*Come Holy Spirit, fill our hearts  
with wisdom, love and courage.*

*Make us more like Christ  
in our words and actions.*

*Bless the work of your Church.*

*Renew us all in the desire to make Christ  
known and loved in the world today.*

*Bless the work of our parish.*

*Guide all that we do so that our church is a place  
of mercy and service for all who are seeking you.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

## Masses this week

<b>Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	6pm	St. Bede's	Neil & Norman Yarwood
<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Pentecost Sunday (PW4)</b>		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Parishioners
	11am	St. Bede's	Peter (RIP) & Eleanor Crompton
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	9.15am	St. Chad's	Cicely Billington
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	9.15am	St. Bede's	Special Intention
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	No Mass		
<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June</b>	9.15am	St. Chad's	Kathleen West
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	9.15am	St. Bede's	Baby R
<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	6pm	St. Bede's	Phillips family
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>The Most Holy Trinity (PW3)</b>		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Alice Hughes
	11am	St. Bede's	Parishioners

**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](http://www.stbedesclaytongreen.co.uk) and  
[www.stchads-southhill.org](http://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](mailto:stbedesclaytongreen@rcaol.org.uk) or [stchad.chorley@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:stchad.chorley@rcaol.org.uk)

**St Bede's Parish Office 01772 335209**

**The office is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday for all enquiries.**

Parish Priest: Fr. Mark Beattie. **Telephone 01257 460154**

Deacon: Rev Simon Gilbertson

### **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, Lawrence Eccles, Mary Hiccox, Vivienne Howard and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.