

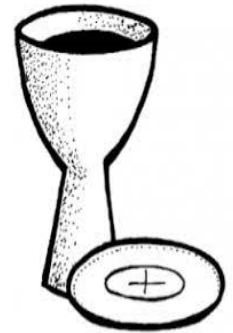


Parishes of St Bede, Clayton Green
and St Chad, South Hill

Parish News

14th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Year C 3rd July 2022

Congratulations to the children of St. Bede's Parish who celebrated their First Holy Communion this weekend. Thanks to the dedicated team of volunteers who helped them to prepare for this wonderful gift. If anyone in year 4 or older would like to make their First Holy Communion, please get in touch with Fr Mark. It's possible to make your First Holy Communion at any age and all through the year.



Sacrament of Confirmation: Bishop Tom Neylon will be in Chorley on 6th and 7th July to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation. There are 13 candidates for Confirmation from our two parishes. **Several of our candidates will attend Mass this weekend in preparation for their celebration of Confirmation.** Please keep them all in your prayers in the coming week. 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.

St Chad's Reading Group

We meet for the last time until September on **Friday 8th July** from 2pm to 4pm in the Parish Centre. Books are provided from the County Library service and are available to borrow.

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.

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. It's great that we now have young people serving at all our weekend Masses.



Thank you to the young people who have already joined our servers teams. If any of the boys and girls who have made their First Holy Communion would like to become altar servers, please let us know.

Volunteers are needed to be part of our Little Church teams.

Please let us know if you would like to help or if you would like more information. We hope that we will have enough volunteers so that you will only need to help once a month or so.

We need some people happy to lead the prayer time and others who will be present to make sure we have the correct number of adults to help our children if they need it. A standard DBS check is needed for all parishioners who work with young people. This will be arranged through the parish. 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.

Special ministers of Holy Communion are reminded that current Covid guidelines still recommend that a face covering should be worn when distributing Holy Communion in church. Thank you.

CATECHISTS' DAY: Saturday 9 July at 10:00am (for a 10:30 start) – 3pm at St Margaret Clitherow Centre (formerly LACE), Sefton Park L17 1AA. A day of training, conversation, sharing and support on what needs to be covered in communion and reconciliation preparation, how to choose/improve your materials, and where to get them from. In addition, there should be a chance to browse through some contemporary communion preparation books and attend a workshop or two. To book please register contact Jenny at pd@rcaol.org.uk (to allow for catering requirements).

In previous years our priests have been able to take a break during the summer months because priests studying in Rome or other European countries have generously offered to fill in for them. Changes to visa regulations over the past few years means that this support is no longer available. When our priest is on holiday or on retreat or has other work commitments local priests will celebrate our Masses at the weekends and be available for sick calls and funeral Masses. When the parish priest is away would our parishioners like to attend services of the word with Holy communion during the week in their parish church or would they prefer to attend Mass in another local parish? Please let Fr Mark know what you would prefer so arrangements can be made. Thank you.

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 64 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

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.

Congratulations to the family of Darcie Tillotson who will be baptised at St Chad's church this weekend.

St Chad's Church. 237, Town Lane, Whittle-le-Woods. PR6 8AJ.

St Bede's Church. 598, Preston Road, Clayton-le-Woods. PR6 7EB

Parish Websites www.stbedesclaytongreen.co.uk and www.stchads-southhill.org

Facebook page Look for "Parishes of St Chad and St Bede"

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

St Bede's Parish Office 01772 335209

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

St. Chad's Parish Centre

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

Deacon: Rev Simon Gilbertson

Masses this week

Saturday 2nd July	6pm	St. Bede's	Cecilia Livesay & Liz Blackburn (RIP)
Sunday 3rd July	14th Sunday of Ordinary Time (PW2)		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Parishioners
	11am	St. Bede's	John Dalton (RIP)
Monday 4th July	9.15am	St. Chad's	Michael Walsh (Anniversary)
Tuesday 5th July	11am	St. Bede's	Funeral Mass for Elizabeth Cook
Wednesday 6th July	No Mass		
Thursday 7th July	9.15am	St. Chad's	Agnes Paul
Friday 8th July	9.30am	St. Bede's	Margaret-Mary Donnelly
	<i>First Holy Communion Celebration Mass with the children from St Bede's school.</i>		
Saturday 9th July	6pm	St. Bede's	Fr. Michael O'Neill
Sunday 10th July	15th Sunday of Ordinary Time (PW3)		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	John & Anne Wilson
	11am	St. Bede's	Fr. Philip Inch



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.

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, 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, Patrick Phillips and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

Please also remember in your prayers Elizabeth Cook and Jim Ashcroft of St Bede's parish who have died recently.

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.