



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

Parish News

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C
31st July 2022

The Alpha Course

'Heavenly Father, I pray for the UK. Lord let Your Kingdom come and Your will be done across the nation.

Holy Spirit, come fill me today, that I might share the love and good news of Jesus to these around me. Amen.'

The Alpha Programme will start on Thursday 1st September 7-9pm, at St. Joseph's Parish Centre, Harpers Lane, Chorley. Where you can explore the Christian faith in an open-minded and welcoming environment.

If you would like to attend this event, please let Paul know by email on cnocl@hotmail.com Thank you.

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

Share one or more of our family prayer resources for the summer holidays with the children, available from cafod.org.uk/families. These activities for sunny or rainy days will keep the children busy during the long break and also help families to come together in prayer.

Remind the children to share all that they heard and thought about with the people at home during the week. Encourage them to pray for people who are hungry or to share food with others, in any way that they can.

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.

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.

Gift Aid Donations: If any of the Missio Red Box Holders would like to Gift Aid their donations, could you fill in the 'Gift Aid Declaration' form, which will be left at the back of church.

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, visiting priests will celebrate our Masses at the weekends and be available for sick calls and funeral Masses. On weekdays our parish volunteers will lead services of the Word with Holy Communion.

At the end of July **Brownedge Christians Together Foodbank** will be closing after 9 years. On the **1st August 2022** we are opening a **Community Larder**. With a grant from South Ribble Council we have purchased a 40 foot shipping container and fitted it with shelves to create a **Larder**. On the 26th July it will be sited at the back of St. Aidan's Church Hall. From the **Larder** we will provide food support to individuals and families from Bamber Bridge, Clayton-le-Woods, Lostock Hall and Walton-le-Dale.

We will enhance our service by opening as a Community shop. By installing a fridge and a freezer and charging £2.50 per week we will increase the choice and nutritional value of the food we offer.

Come and join us for morning coffee / tea, toast and cakes. We provide an area for toddlers and there is always someone to talk to.

From the **1st August the Community Larder** will be open 9.30am to 11.30am **Monday and Friday** at **St. Aidan's**, 46 Station Road, Bamber Bridge. PR5 6QL.

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 the Community Larder.

Have you ever wanted to **Give Bowling A Try?**

If the answer is **'Yes'**, then come along to meet members and have a go.

The green can be found at the rear of St. Chad's Club, off Town lane.

St. Chad's Bowling Club have 3 teams which play each Monday night, Tuesday night and Thursday afternoon (alternating weekly, home & away).

They welcome new members both experienced and beginners (coaching can be given). If you want to give bowling a try but do not have a set of bowls, then ring

Gerald Matthews on 01257 273855 to arrange a session.

It's a great way to spend a few hours in the fresh air and make new friends.

St. Chad's and St. Bede's Parish Centres are available to hire for use by groups and for some private functions. St Chad's is taking bookings now for September onwards. For enquiries about our rates and conditions of use for St Bede's Parish Centre please call Aidan on 01257 271818 and for St Chad's Parish Centre please call 07719718523. If you get the answer phone, please leave your name and telephone number and we will call you back.

Dates for your diary.

On **Sunday 4th September in St Gregory's Gardens 12-4pm** you are invited to the **Catholic Community Festival 2022** opened by Sir Lindsay Hoyle MP. Lots of stalls, refreshments, the Sing it Big Choir, children's games and entertainment, BBQ – and it's free to join in. Our parishes will be running a cake stall and a tombola. Cake makers will be needed. We are also hoping to run a bottle tombola so any suitable bottles are now very welcome and can be left at the back of either church or handed into the sacristy. Thank you.

The relics of St Bernadette of Lourdes will shortly be starting a tour of England.

They will be in Chorley at St Mary's Church from 8.30pm on Thursday 15th September, all day Friday 16th and will leave for Liverpool Cathedral at 9am on Saturday 17th September. A program of Masses and other times of prayer will be available nearer the time. It is hoped that many pilgrims will come to pray at St Mary's while the relics of St Bernadette are present. Volunteers will be needed as stewards. An appeal has been made for people to bring sandwiches and cakes to help welcome the pilgrims in St Mary's parish centre. People are needed with First Aid certificates – doctors, nurses, paramedics or firefighters. If you think you may be able to help, please contact St Mary's parish office on 01257 262537.

Holy Communion at Home. 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.

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.

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

Deacon: Rev Simon Gilbertson

Masses this week

Saturday 30th July	6pm	St. Bede's	Thanksgiving
Sunday 31st July			18th Sunday of Ordinary Time (PW2)
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Parishioners
	11am	St. Bede's	Dennis Croasdale
Monday 1st August	9.15am	St. Chad's	Marie & Frank Davis
Tuesday 2nd August	9.15am	St. Bede's	Chris Mahon
Wednesday 3rd August			No Mass
Thursday 4th August	9.15am	St. Chad's	Agnes Paul
Friday 5th August	9.15am	St. Bede's	Dominic McCrudden
Saturday 6th August	6pm	St. Bede's	Derek Shirtcliffe (RIP)
Sunday 7th August			19th Sunday of Ordinary Time (PW3)
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Mary Hilton
	11am	St. Bede's	Special Intentions



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, Virginia Hayton-Weed, Lawrence Eccles, Mary Hiccox, Vivienne Howard, Patrick Phillips, Tony Mahon and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

Congratulations to Alexander Thomas who will be baptised at St. Bede's this weekend.

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.