



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

Parish News

Twenty Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time Year C
11th September 2022

THIS WEEK IN CHORLEY

The relics of St Bernadette of Lourdes 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.

The program of Masses, opportunities for the sacraments of anointing and reconciliation, and other times of prayer is displayed at the back of Church. It is hoped that many pilgrims will come to pray at St Mary's while the relics of St Bernadette are present. Volunteers are requested to assist on **Friday 16th September**,



help is needed in the Parish Centre to serve refreshments, meet and greet, traffic control, general enquires etc. They are looking for donations of sandwiches and cakes as Pilgrims will be invited to go to the parish centre for light refreshments. If you can help in any way, there are lists at the back of the church at St Mary's for you to sign up or alternatively **please contact Kinga Grzeczynska at St Mary's on 01257 262537**



A date for your diary.

A parish social evening at St Chad's Parish Centre.

Saturday 1st October 7.30-10.30pm.

Hot Pot or Butter Pie supper and dessert.

Tea, coffee and soft drinks provided.

Bring your own drinks if you like. Glasses provided.

Fun Quiz and raffle.

Tickets, priced £10, will be on sale from beginning of September after the Sunday Mass. A chance to meet fellow parishioners and we hope to have an enjoyable evening together. There will be 75 places available open to people

aged 14 years and over. Any money raised will go towards the cost of St Chad's new church boiler. Call 07719718523 for more information.

Thank you to our volunteers at the festival at St. Gregory's last weekend – to those who baked the beautiful cakes, those who donated bottles and gave to the tombola stall. The day was a great success and we look forward to a great festival next year.

The Most Reverend Malcolm McMahon OP, Archbishop of Liverpool, has issued the following statement on the death of Queen Elizabeth.

'I am deeply saddened to hear the news about the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. I pray for the repose of her soul and for all the members of the Royal Family at this time of sorrow.

'On 21 April 1947, her 21st birthday, in a speech broadcast on the radio from Cape Town, the then Princess Elizabeth dedicated her life to the service of the Commonwealth saying, "I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great imperial family to which we all belong".

'Today we give thanks for that lifetime of service to our country and for her leadership of the Church of England during her 70 year reign. The celebrations we witnessed earlier this year for her Platinum Jubilee show how much respect and love people had for her.

'She will be remembered for her dedication, strength, warmth and her pride in our country.

'May this good and faithful servant rest in the peace of the Risen Lord.'

St Bede's Prayer Group

The prayer group is on every **Monday** at 1pm to 2.30pm in St. Bede's Church.

All are welcome.

St Chad's Craft Group

The craft group will meet every **Tuesday** from 1.30pm to 3.30pm in

St Chad's Parish Centre.

Everyone is welcome, no skills required.

St Chad's Reading Group

The reading group is on Friday, 7th October from 2pm to 4pm in the Parish Centre. Books are provided from the County Library service and are available to borrow at each meeting. New members are very welcome.

Next weekend is Evangelii Gaudium (Home Mission) Sunday.

The Third Sunday in September, formerly called Home Mission Sunday, is now Evangelii Gaudium Sunday. Named after Pope Francis' first (solo) Apostolic Exhortation on the Joy of the Gospel, the day offers the Catholic community in England and Wales the opportunity to

celebrate the beauty of our faith and our commitment to witness to the fullness of life in Christ. Fr Jan Nowotnik, Director of Mission at the Bishops' Conference, tells us more about the day (<https://youtu.be/ZORlvqhw3S0>) and how you can support this important work.

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 now goes to the Community Larder.

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.

"I write to thank the parishioners of St Bede's and St Chad's for the many donations we received for our pilgrimage to Lourdes. Your petitions were delivered safely to the Grotto and candles were lit for those who requested them. Your donations provided meals and spending money for the young people facing financial hardship and a significant amount of money from your donations will support any young people who want to join the 2023 pilgrimage by who may struggle to pay the cost. Thank you for your kindness and generosity to the young people of Coach 5 of the Liverpool Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Yours sincerely, Ben McMullen." Coach 5 Leader.

Some brief notes for readers are now available at the back of church. It's just a short reminder of the way the Word of God is proclaimed in our churches. If anything isn't clear, please talk to Fr Mark. Thank you to all our readers who do such a good job of helping us to reflect together on the Word of God at each Mass.

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 and services this week

Saturday 10th September	6pm	St. Bede's	For recovery from illness
Sunday 11th September	Twenty Fourth in Ordinary Time (PW4)		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Parishioners
	11am	St. Bede's	Dr Narsim & Margaret Iyengar
Monday 12th September	9.15am	St. Chad's	Service of the word with Holy Communion
Tuesday 13th September	9.15am	St. Bede's	Service of the word with Holy Communion
Wednesday 14th September	No Mass		
Thursday 15th September	9.15am	St. Chad's	Service of the word with Holy Communion
Friday 16th September	9.15am	St. Bede's	Service of the word with Holy Communion
Saturday 17th September	6pm	St. Bede's	Vivienne Howard & family
Sunday 18th September	Twenty Fifth in Ordinary Time (PW1)		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Ian Holden
	11am	St. Bede's	Ashcroft family

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

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.

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.