



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

# **Parish News**

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
16<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

**Preparation for First Holy Communion** will begin in February in both our parishes. If you have a child in year 4 or above who would like to make their First Holy Communion next year who does **not** attend St Chad's or St Bede's primary schools, please get in touch and we will let you know when the preparation is starting.

**The website for registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation is now open** and will close on the 17<sup>th</sup> March. Any young person in **year 8** can register for Confirmation preparation at [www.liverpoolcalled.co.uk](http://www.liverpoolcalled.co.uk). Young people in Catholic schools will be given preparation through school. Additional preparation will be offered to young people attending a non-Catholic school. Once we have a date for the celebration of Confirmation, we will be in touch with the candidates who have registered from our parishes to invite them to a preparation evening.

***If there are any adults who for whatever reason have not been confirmed please talk to Fr Mark. We can arrange for you to receive this sacrament in the parish if you wish.***

**Tea and coffee will be served in St. Chad's Parish Centre this weekend after the 9.15am Mass on Sunday** Everyone is warmly invited to come along.

**A soup and sandwich lunch will be served on the 18<sup>th</sup> February in St Chad's Parish Centre at midday.** Everyone is very welcome to come along. It's a free event but donations towards the cost are welcome. Good food and good company. Please join us if you can.

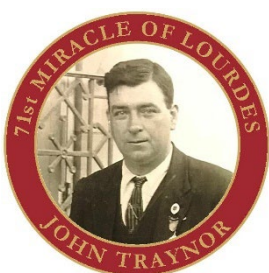
**St Bede's St Vincent de Paul Group.** This weekend a collection for the SVP will be taken after Masses at St Bede's. Thank you for your support.

**St Chad's Craft Group** will meet every Tuesday from 1.30pm to 3.30pm in St. Chad's Parish Centre. Everyone is welcome, no skills or previous experience required.

**St Bede's Prayer Group.** **There will not be a prayer group on 17<sup>th</sup> February due to school half term.**

**Clayton Thursday Group** will meet every Thursday, for the over 60's, in St Bede's Parish Centre between 12.45pm and 3.15pm. Please come along.

**Chair based exercise** to improve strength, balance and flexibility. Every Thursdays 11-12am, in St. Bede's Parish Centre. If you want any more information contact Janet 07890165986



**Mass of Celebration for the Miraculous Cure of Jack Traynor.** On 8<sup>th</sup> December 2024, the miraculous cure of Jack Traynor of our Archdiocese was officially recognised and the 71st official miracle of Lourdes. Archbishop Malcolm McMahon invites you to a historic occasion as we celebrate this historic moment with Mass on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm** at the Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral.

An SVP party will be held at Holy Cross Catholic High School on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March 1.30 to 4pm. Afternoon tea will be served with some light entertainment and a few games of Bingo. Holy Cross will be able to

provide transport to our housebound parishioners. Contact Clare on the office 01772 335209 if you would like to attend the party and we will book you a place.

**Lourdes 2025. Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July.** Bookings are now being taken for our annual pilgrimage. We are able to offer support for many people living with a disability or illness in the St Frai hub with our medical team of doctors, nurses and helpers. Some support from the parish is available if needed. Chat to Fr Mark if you would like to know more or call Debbie in our Lourdes office on 07484911623. To book as a regular pilgrim call Joe Walsh Tours on Freephone 08081890468.



**Altar servers** – If you are in year 4 or older and would like to help with our altar servers team at weekend Masses, please let Fr Mark know. It's a great way to learn about your faith and serve God and our parish family.

**Congratulations to Declan Lynn** of St Chad's Parish who has completed 'the world's toughest row' of 3000 miles in a team of 4 in 44 days. A fantastic achievement. He is raising money for the Army Benevolent Fund. If you would like to make a donation, please go to the Just Giving website and search for Oarsome Army Educators.

**Non-perishable food and toiletries needed. Food left at the back of St Chad's goes to support Chorley Help the Homeless.**

**Warm winter clothes are also needed, particularly for men.**

**Please leave donations at the back of St Bede's Church for the Christian Community Larder.**

Non-perishable food, tea and coffee and toiletries are always needed. If you need help or would like to offer help they can be reached on 07762905978. Email: [christiancommunitylarder@gmail.com](mailto:christiancommunitylarder@gmail.com)  
Warm clothes, blankets, sleeping bags etc. left at the back of St Bede's Church go to the Metanoia Project in Preston.

### **A Year of Hope: Introduction to the Jubilee Year**

How can we respond to Pope Francis' call to be "tangible signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year? Find out by watching this inspirational event (find it and other Jubilee resources at [cafod.org.uk/jubilee](http://cafod.org.uk/jubilee)). Discover how we can act in faith and in love as pilgrims of hope this Holy Year.

### **Winckley Square Convent School Reunion**

The annual reunion will take place on Saturday March 1st 2025 from 1.00pm - 4pm at Our Lady and St Edward's Parish Centre, Marlborough Drive. Fulwood. PR2 9UE. All past pupils (and Staff) are most welcome to attend and bring along memorabilia and photographs to share.

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Deacon: Rev Simon Gilbertson

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**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"

**E-mail our parish office:** [stbedesclaytongreen@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:stbedesclaytongreen@rcaol.org.uk) or [stchad.chorley@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:stchad.chorley@rcaol.org.uk)  
**or to Fr Mark privately** [m.beattie@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:m.beattie@rcaol.org.uk)

**The parish office is open on Tuesday, Thursday & Friday. 01772 335209**

**Masses this week**

Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	6pm	St. Bede's	<i>Special Intention (SN)</i>
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW2)</b>		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	<i>Richard Shorrocks (Anniversary)</i>
	11am	St. Bede's	<i>Golden Wedding Anniversary of Sue &amp; Ray Robson</i>
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	9.15am	St. Chad's	<i>Parishioners</i>
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	9.15am	St. Bede's	<i>Thanksgiving</i>
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>No Mass</b>		
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	9.15am	St. Chad's	<i>Special Intention (JL)</i>
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	9.15am	St. Bede's	<i>Catherine Whiteley</i>
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	6pm	St. Bede's	<i>Margaret Summerville</i>
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	<b>Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW3)</b>		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	<i>Pat Baldwin (RIP)</i>
	11am	St. Bede's	<i>Pat &amp; Agnus</i>

Please pray for Alina Maleski of St Bede's parish who died recently and for her family.  
May she rest in peace.

**Confessions are heard in the confessional** in St Bede's church on Saturday evenings before the 6pm Mass from 5.30pm until 5.50pm. Or at any time on request.



**Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners**

George Morris, Amy Greenhalgh, Thomas Hesse, Ray Briant, Robert Rainford, Brenda Wrightson, Maria Reynolds, Eileen Ainscough, Tony Miller, Katherine Yates, Marie Coleman, Virginia Hayton-Weed, Lawrence Eccles, Patrick Phillips, Joyce Campbell, Agnes Moss, Sandra Farrel, Diane Gunn, Shelagh Young, Liam Fogg, Dorothy Whittle, Gary Crook, Robert Hackeson, Marie Gamble and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Willow Bank, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.