

# Parishes of St Bede, Clayton Green and St Chad, South Hill Parish News 26th Sunday of Year C

28th September 2025

# Next week, Friday 3rd August, is CAFOD Family Fast Day

In our volatile world, CAFOD, the Catholic Fund for Overseas Development, remains committed to working alongside the most marginalised people and building a better world. Our hope is inspired by the firm and reassuring certainty of God's love, poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit. We would be deeply grateful for your support of our **Family Fast Day Appeal** this Harvest through a collection after Masses on the weekend of Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October. We are asked to go without something we would normally buy and the money saved goes to help the some of the poorest of our brothers and sisters. Please use the CAFOD envelope at the back of St Bede's and St Chad's churches and if you pay tax in the UK please consider using Gift Aid for your donation. This adds 25% to the value of any money you are able to donate. Thank you.

A date for your diary: Comedy Night in aid of St Chad's Parish organized by our parish volunteers hosted by our local celebrity Steve Royle and friends from Phoenix Nights. At St Joseph's Parish Centre Harpers Lane, Chorley. Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November. Doors open 7pm. Bar and light refreshments. Tickets £15 now on sale at St Chad's, St Bede's and St Joseph's, Chorley. Telephone 07904984322 for more information.

**Tea and coffee** will be served in St. Chad's Parish Centre **this weekend after the 9.15am Mass** and in St. Bede's Parish Hall **after the 11am Mass next Sunday**. Everyone is warmly invited to come along.



## October - Month of the Holy Rosary

The Rosary will be prayed in both churches before the weekday Masses during the month of October, starting at around 9am.

#### A Day of prayer and reflection on the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

We are inviting all who wish to join us on our Alpha Day on the Holy Spirit. The Day will be held in **St. Chad's Parish Centre on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October**. Programmes of the Day are at the back of Church. Lunch will be provided, so please let us know *as soon as you can* if you are coming via the parish office.

**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.

The St. Chad's Social Group is meeting on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October in St. Chad's Parish Centre, starting at 6.45pm. Please come along and volunteer if you can.

This weekend and for the following two weekends the **annual Mass Count** of those attending Mass will be taken. Those counting are asked to let Clare in the parish office have the weekly figures at the end of the three weeks. Thank you

During September, we ask all **Missio Red Box holders** to bring their boxes to St Bede's and St Chad's churches for collection. Thank you for supporting Missio.

**St Chad's Craft Group** will meet on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September** from 1.30pm to 3.30pm in **St Chad's Parish Centre**. Everyone is welcome, no skills or previous experience required.

Chair based exercise to improve strength, balance and flexibility. On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 11am – 12pm, in St Bede's Parish Centre. If you want any more information, contact Janet 07890165986

Clayton Thursday Group will be meeting on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, for the over 60's, in Whittle Methodist Church opposite the Whittle GP Surgery on Preston Road (A6) Chorley between 12.45pm till 3.15pm.

**St Chad's Reading Group** The next meeting of the reading group is on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October** from **1.30pm to 3.30pm** in **St. Chad's Parish Centre**. Books are provided from the County Library service and are available to borrow at each meeting. New members are very welcome.

#### Music Youth Ministry / Pilgrims of Hope

We are looking for anyone who is year 9 to age 25 to be a part of our NEW Youth Music Ministry. This is a chance for anyone, no matter what your musical background to come together and unite as a music group.

Dates: **5**<sup>th</sup> **October**, 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 23<sup>rd</sup> November (followed by Mass at 5.30pm). This is a chance for people who have the same passion/interest in music and in faith to be part of something new and exciting. Bring you, your instrument (if you have one) and a friend to **Animate Youth Ministries, Lowe House, 99 Crab Street, St Helens. WA10 2BE.** If you have any questions, get in touch with <a href="mailto:admin@animateyouth,co.uk">admin@animateyouth,co.uk</a> or telephone 01744 740463



#### 50<sup>th</sup> Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026

We are moving the opening of applications earlier this year to allow for a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the youth pilgrimage 'early bird' special. Those who apply before the 20<sup>th</sup> October are eligible for the early bird discount of '£50 reduction' in the total cost of the pilgrimage. Apply at <a href="www.liverpoollourdesyouth.co.uk">www.liverpoollourdesyouth.co.uk</a> or scan this QR code.

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

Please leave donations at the back of St Bede's Church for the Christian Community Larder. Non-perishable food, tea, coffee and toiletries are always needed. If you need help or would like to offer help they can be reached on 07762905978. Email:<a href="mailto:christiancommunitylarder@gmail.com">christiancommunitylarder@gmail.com</a>
Warm clothes, blankets, sleeping bags etc. left at the back of St Bede's Church go to the Metanoia Project in Preston.

**Knitting natters** from the Christian Community Larder are asking for yarn and wool. If anyone has any, please hand it in at St Chad's or at St Bede's and it will be delivered to the Larder. Thank you.

Parish Priest: Fr. Mark Beattie. **Telephone 01257 460154** Deacon: Rev Simon Gilbertson **St Bede's Church.** 598, Preston Road, Clayton-le-Woods. PR6 7EB **01772 335209 St Chad's Church.** 237, Town Lane, Whittle-le-Woods. PR6 8AJ. **St Chad's Parish Hall** 07719718523 **St Bede's Parish Hall** 01257 271818 **Parish Websites** <a href="www.stbedesclaytongreen.co.uk">www.stchads-southhill.org</a>

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E-mail our parish office: <a href="mailto:stbedesclaytongreen@rcaol.org.uk">stbedesclaytongreen@rcaol.org.uk</a> or <a href="mailto:stbedesclaytongreen@rcaol.org.uk">stchad.chorley@rcaol.org.uk</a>

<u>or to Fr Mark privately m.beattie@rcaol.org.uk</u>

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

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.

# **Masses and Services this week**

Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	6pm	St. Bede's	Jim Holmes
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> September <b>Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> (PW2)			
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Parishioners
	11am	St. Bede's	Bill and family
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	9.15am	St Chad's	Carney & Noblet families, Canon Lupton & Rob Snape
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	9.15am	St. Bede's	Geraldine Heys
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	No Mass		
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	9.15am	St. Chad's	Mary Yates
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	9.15am	St. Bede's	Claire Hilton
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	6pm	St. Bede's	Joe Comerford (Snr)
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> October <b>Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> (P32)			
	9.15am	St. Chad's	John Dixon (Birthday memories)
	11am	St. Bede's	Patsy Griffiths

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,
Agnes Moss, Sandra Farrel, Shelagh Young, Liam Fogg, Dorothy Whittle, Gary Crook, Anna Leonard,
Jim Holmes and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Willow Bank,
Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

Please keep in your prayers Fr Laurence Mayne of our deanery who has died recently.

His funeral will take place at St Mary's Chorley at 7pm on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September and at St Oswald's Coppull at midday on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October.

## Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord.

**Welcome** to Alexander Norton from St. Chad's and Jacob Winstanley from St. Bede's who will be baptised this weekend. Please keep Alexander, Jacob and their families in your prayers.