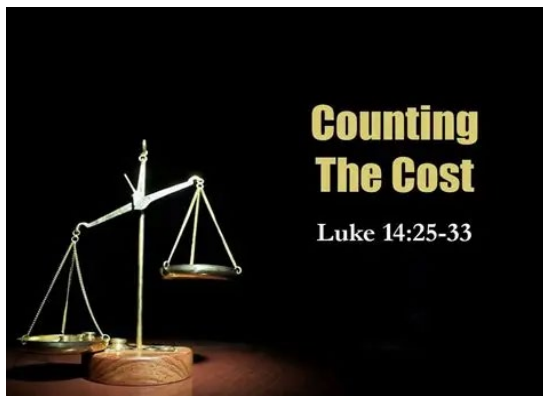




**Parishes of St Bede,
Clayton Green
and St Chad, South Hill**

Parish News

**23rd Sunday of Year C
7th September 2025**



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

Burgers, Hot Dogs, Cakes, Tea and Coffee will be served in St. Bede's Parish Hall **after the 11am Mass this Sunday**. It's a free event but donations are always welcome. Everyone is warmly invited to come along.

During September, we ask all **Missio Red Box holders** to bring their boxes to St Bede's and St Chad's churches for collection. Feel free to empty your box at home and place your donation in the Missio brown envelope provided after the previous collection in March. If you no longer have the brown envelope, any envelope or small bag can be used. **If possible, please write the amount on the front of the envelope/bag, along with your name.** The box/envelopes can be left at the back of St Bede's and St Chad's churches any time during the month of September. Thank you for supporting Missio.

Walk For A Cure. A parishioner of St Bede's, Rachel, is taking part in a 42 km hike through the Peak District to raise money for research to find a cure for Alzheimer's Disease. The walks starts on 13th September. If you would like to help her donations are very welcome. Please put your donation in an envelope marked "Alzheimer's collection" and we will pass them on to Rachel when she completes her walk in September. More details can be found on walk.alzheimersresearchuk.org/walk
Fundraising page: walk.alzheimersresearchuk.org/fundraisers/rachel.aiken

St Chad's Craft Group will meet on **Tuesday 9th September** from 1.30pm to 3.30pm in **St Chad's Parish Centre**. Everyone is welcome, no skills or previous experience required.

SVP Chorley Buddies will hold a hot lunch & activity of entertainment on **Wednesday 10th September** at **St Chad's Parish Centre** from 12pm until 2pm. Transport is available. The social is free but we accept donations towards the cost of lunch. Call 01257 542367 to book.

Chair based exercise to improve strength, balance and flexibility. On **Thursday 11th September**, 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 11th September**, 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.

The **Alpha Course** is being held on at **7pm on Thursdays in St. Bede's Parish Hall**. **There is still time to join in if you wish.** It's a time to deepen our faith and ask our questions in a safe and welcoming environment. There are cards and leaflets at the back of the Church giving further details and names to contact for more information or phone the parish office if you have any questions.



A soup and sandwich lunch will be served next Tuesday in **St Chad's Parish Centre**. Everyone is very welcome to come along. It's a free event but donations towards the cost are welcome. Good food and good company. **The next lunch will be held on Tuesday 16th September at midday**. Please join us if you can.

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.

St Joseph's Parish Centre Harpers Lane, Chorley. Thursday 13th November. Doors open 7.15pm. Bar and light refreshments. Tickets will be on sale soon. Save the date!

Ahead of the **Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill** having its second reading in the House of Lords on Friday 12 September, Archbishop John Sherrington is calling for Catholics to unite in prayer and compassionate action. Catholics can write to a Peer ahead of the reading to make their opposition known. More details about how to contact, how to address them and suggested points to include in your letter can be found in the news section of the Archdiocese of Liverpool website (<https://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/news/how-to-make-your-voice-heard-in-opposing-the-assisted-suicide-bill>)

The consultations discussing the future of St Joseph's parish, Brindle have now finished. All comments have now been typed up and forwarded to Archbishop John. We now wait for discussion between the trustees of Ampleforth Abbey and of the Archdiocese to be concluded. Please keep the parishioners of St Joseph's in your prayers in this uncertain time, and for Fr Raphael as he prepares to take up his new duties in November.

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 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

Warm clothes, blankets, sleeping bags etc. left at the back of St Bede's Church go to the Metanoia Project in Preston.

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

Deacon: Rev Simon Gilbertson

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St Chad's Parish Hall 07719718523

St Bede's Parish Hall 01257 271818

Parish Websites www.stbedesclaytongreen.co.uk and

www.stchads-southhill.org

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

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

Fr Mark will be away for two weekends, 7th and 14th of September. Fr Seth will be with us again from 2nd to 19th September. The parish phones will be answered by Clare and Sr Dorothy during this time.

Masses and Services this week

Saturday 6 th September	6pm	St. Bede's	Special Intentions
Sunday 7 th September	Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW3)		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Teresa Beattie (RIP)
	11am	St. Bede's	Parishioners
Monday 8 th September	9.15am	St Chad's	Nickson, Kerfoot, Southworth and Waring families
Tuesday 9 th September	9.15am	St. Bede's	Thanksgiving (BH)
Wednesday 10 th September	No Mass		
Thursday 11 th September	10.30am	St. Chad's	<u>Funeral Service</u> for Stafford Woods
Friday 12 th September	12noon	St. Bede's	<u>Funeral Mass</u> for Joyce Campbell
Saturday 13 th September	6pm	St. Bede's	John William and Florance Nickson
Sunday 14 th September	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (PW4)		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Stafford Woods (RIP)
	11am	St. Bede's	Matthew Curry

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 Stafford Woods from St Chad's parish,
and Joyce Campbell from St Bede's parish
who have died recently and their families.
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.

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

Welcome to Sadie and Etta Wherry from St. Chad's who will be baptised this weekend. Please keep Sadie, Etta and their family in your prayers.

