



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

Parish News

25th Sunday of Year C

21st September 2025

This weekend is Evangelii Gaudium (Home Mission) Sunday

We are asked to pray for the work of the Church in trying to make the Good News of Christ heard in our noisy world. We might also ask God to help each of us play our part in making Jesus known and loved through our words and our example. The retiring collection after Masses next weekend will support the work of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to celebrate the beauty of our faith and our commitment to witness to the fullness of life in Christ. Please use the baskets at the back of church if you wish to make a donation. Thank you.

St Chad's Craft Group will meet on **Tuesday 23rd 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 25th 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 25th 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.

Tea and coffee will be served in St. Chad's Parish Centre **next weekend after the 9.15am Mass**. 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.

St Chad's Reading Group The next meeting is on **Monday 6th October** from 2pm to 4pm 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.

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 11th October**. Programmes of the Day are at the back of Church. Lunch will be provided, so please let us know **as soon as possible** if you are coming.

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. At **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!

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

This weekend and for the following three 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 four 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.

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: **5th October**, 2nd November, 23rd 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 admin@animateyouth.co.uk or telephone 01744 740463

50th Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026



We are moving the opening of applications earlier this year to allow for a 50th Anniversary of the youth pilgrimage 'early bird' special. **The website will go live on 15th September at 9am**. Those who apply before the 20th October are eligible for the early bird discount of '£50 reduction' in the total cost of the pilgrimage. Apply at www.liverpool Lourdes youth.co.uk 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 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

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 www.stbedesclaytongreen.co.uk and www.stchads-southhill.org

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

E-mail our parish office: stbedesclaytongreen@rcaol.org.uk

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

A message from Fr Seth

Your welcome was warm, your faith steadfast and your fellowship a living testimony of love. I leave now to continue my studies in Rome. I carry with me the memory of your kindness and the joy of your friendship. Be assured of my prayers and my heartfelt thanksgiving to you all,
Fr. Seth

Masses and Services this week

Saturday 20 th September	6pm	St. Bede's	Robert & Elizabeth Gardner
Sunday 21 st September	Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW1)		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Dorothy Breheny (RIP)
	11am	St. Bede's	Thomas (Tommy) Gielty
Monday 22 nd September	9.15am	St Chad's	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 23 rd September	9.15am	St. Bede's	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Wednesday 24 th September	No Mass		
Thursday 25 th September	9.15am	St. Chad's	Stephen (RIP)
Friday 26 th September	9.15am	St. Bede's	Joe Comerford Snr
Saturday 27 th September	6pm	St. Bede's	Jim Holmes
Sunday 28 th September	Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW2)		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Parishioners
	11am	St. Bede's	Bill and family

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 who has died this week.
Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord.**

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.

Welcome to Elodie Portela from St. Chad's and Edward Ramsay from St. Bede's who will be baptised this weekend. Please keep Elodie, Edward and their families in your prayers.

