

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

Parish News

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
25th January 2026**



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.



Tea and coffee will be served in St. Chad's Parish Centre **after the 9.15am Mass** and in St. Bede's Parish Hall **after the 11am Mass on Sunday 1st February.**

Everyone is warmly invited to come along.

St. Chad's Social Group is looking for new volunteers to join their team. The next meeting is on **Monday 2nd February in St. Chad's Parish Centre, at 6.45pm.** Please come along and volunteer if you can.

St Bede's Prayer Group will meet on **Monday 26th January in St Bede's Presbytery** 1pm – 2.30pm. Everyone is very welcome to come along.

St Chad's Craft Group will meet on **Tuesday 27th January** 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 29th January** 11-12am, in **St. Bede's Parish Hall.** If you want any more information, contact Janet 07890165986

Clayton Thursday Group will meet on **Thursday 29th January** for the over 60's, in **Whittle Methodist Church on Preston Road** between 12.45pm and 3.15pm.

St Chad's Reading Group will meet on **Monday 2nd February,** 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.

SVP Chorley Buddies hold their monthly social on **Wednesday 11th February at St. Chad's Parish Centre from 12 until 2pm.** A hot lunch & an activity or entertainment are provided. Transport is available. The social is free but we accept donations towards the cost of lunch. Call 01257 542367 to book.

Children in Year 4 or older who would like to celebrate their First Confession and First Holy Communion this year are invited to come to the first preparation session. Classes will be held at St Bede's at 6.30pm in church beginning on Thursday 26th February and at St Chad's after the 9.30am Mass beginning Sunday 1st March. Children who attend our parish schools will have already received their letter of invitation. Children attending other schools should contact our parish office. Please keep all our candidates and their families in your prayers at this important time. Our catechists are welcome to pick up a list of dates of the classes and celebrations from the sacristy.

Young people in Year 8 and older are now invited to register to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2026. Go to liverpoolcalled.co.uk and complete the registration form. Enrolment closes on 13th February 2026. Once we know the names of those requesting confirmation after 13th February, we will contact you to let you know about preparation for the sacrament.

Please could you remove the flowers and Christmas decorations from the graves at **St. Bede's and St. Chad's cemeteries** by the **2nd February**, or thereabouts. The grounds keeper will be mowing the cemeteries shortly after that date. Thank you.

HELP NEEDED. Volunteers are needed to help with cleaning our churches. If you think you can help, please talk to Fr Mark.

We also need a few more members for our choir at the 9.15am Sunday Mass at St Chad's. Just make your way to the choir loft before Mass if you would like to be part of the choir.

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. 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.

Thank you to everyone who is able to make a donation. Things are particularly difficult for the homeless and those rough sleeping at this time of year and your help is much appreciated.



Altar Servers. New servers are always welcome. Children in Year 4 or older are very welcome to learn how to serve at Mass. It's a great way to learn more about the Mass and help us to pray together. Please let Fr Mark know if you would like to join our team.

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St Chad's Parish Hall 07719718523
St Bede's Parish Hall 01257 271818
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www.stchads-southhill.org
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E-mail our parish office: stbedesclaytongreen@rcaol.org.uk
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The parish office is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. 01772 335209

Masses and Services this Week

<i>Saturday 24th January</i>	<i>6pm</i>	<i>St. Bede's</i>	<i>Cliff Hughes (RIP)</i>
<i>Sunday 25th January</i>	<i>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW3)</i>		
	<i>9.15am</i>	<i>St. Chad's</i>	<i>Parishioners</i>
	<i>11am</i>	<i>St. Bede's</i>	<i>William & Ivy Smith (RIP)</i>
<i>Monday 26th January</i>	<i>9.15am</i>	<i>St. Chad's</i>	<i>Service of the word and Holy Communion</i>
<i>Tuesday 27th January</i>	<i>9.15am</i>	<i>St. Bede's</i>	<i>Service of the word and Holy Communion</i>
<i>Wednesday 28th January</i>	<i>No Mass</i>		
<i>Thursday 29th January</i>	<i>9.15am</i>	<i>St. Chad's</i>	<i>Service of the word and Holy Communion</i>
<i>Friday 30th January</i>	<i>9.15am</i>	<i>St. Bede's</i>	<i>Service of the word and Holy Communion</i>
<i>Saturday 31st January</i>	<i>6pm</i>	<i>St. Bede's</i>	<i>Kevin Birchall (RIP)</i>
<i>Sunday 1st February</i>	<i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW4)</i>		
	<i>9.15am</i>	<i>St. Chad's</i>	<i>Raymond Matthews (Anniversary)</i>
	<i>11am</i>	<i>St. Bede's</i>	<i>Shiela Kay (RIP)</i>

Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners: Kath Yates,
 Jim Holmes, Paola De Sanctis, Eileen Ainscough, Agnes Moss and the residents of Highcliffe,
 Greenways, Brookside, Willow Bank, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

Confessions are normally heard at St Bede's Church
 on Saturday 5.30pm to 5.50pm or at any time on request.

Confessions will resume on Saturday 7th February