



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

Parish News

Second Sunday of Christmas

4th January 2026

Dear friends,

Thank you to everyone who sent in a card or gift over Christmas. I was very touched and encouraged by your kindness, assurance of prayers and messages.

Thanks also to everyone who helped our Masses over Christmas to be so prayerful and dignified. Our churches looked beautiful and much hard work went into the preparations. Let's ask God to help us to grow in our trust in Him in all that will come our way in this New Year. Christmas is our celebration of the God who has come so close to us. May we remember His gentle presence at our side.

We ask God to bless the work of our parishes in the coming year. May He deepen our gratitude for His blessings and use us to bring His love and peace to those who need it most. May God gently bless you and your family in 2026.

Fr Mark

Tea and coffee will be served in St. Bede's Parish Hall **after the 11am Mass on Sunday the 4th January 2026.** Everyone is warmly invited to come along.

St Chad's Reading Group will take a break for Christmas and will start again on Monday 5th January 2026.

St Chad's Craft Group has finished for Christmas and will start again on Tuesday 6th January 2026

St. Bede's Prayer Group has now finished for Christmas and will start again on Monday 12th January 2026.

Clayton Thursday Group and Chair based Yoga will finish for their Christmas break and will start again on Thursday 15th January 2026.

Confessions are normally heard at St Bede's Church
on Saturday 5.30pm to 5.50pm or at any time on request.
No confessions on Saturday 10th and 17th January.

Please keep in your prayers members of our parishes who have died recently and their families.
George Tierney and Lawrence Eccles.
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.

Masses and Services this week

Saturday 3 rd January	6pm	St. Bede's	Frank, Angela & Declan Collins
Sunday 4 th January	Second Sunday of Christmas (PW2)		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	John Dixon (RIP)
	11am	St. Bede's	George & Elizabeth Hills
Monday 5 th January	9.15am	St. Chad's	Parishioners
Feast of the Epiphany			
Monday 5 th January	7pm	St Bede's Vigil Mass	Parishioners
Tuesday 6 th January	9.15am	St. Bede's	Sr. Dorothy & Sr. Benedicte with grateful thanks for the Alpha course
	11am	St Chad's	Thanksgiving for prayers answered
Wednesday 7 th January	No Mass		
Thursday 8 th January	9.15am	St. Chad's	Kathleen Greenwood (RIP)
Friday 9 th January	9.15am	St. Bede's	Holy Souls (RIP)
Saturday 10 th January	6pm	St. Bede's	Priests and Religious
Sunday 11 th January	Feast of the Baptism of the Lord		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Lunn family
	11am	St. Bede's	Thanksgiving and forgiveness

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.

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