



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

Parish News

Pentecost Sunday

28th May 2023

*Come Holy Spirit,
and fill my heart with wisdom, love and courage.
Make me more like Christ in my words and my actions.
Bless the work of your Church and renew us all in the desire
to make Christ known and loved in the world today.
Bless the work of our parish and guide all that we do
so that we can be a place that reveals the loving mercy of Jesus:
a place of welcome for all who are seeking you.
Move the hearts of all people to seek peace and justice
so that all your children may live in freedom and peace.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

It would be great to have some new volunteers for reading at Mass. If you would like to volunteer to read at Mass, please let us know. A few new voices would be very welcome. We are also always happy to welcome new helpers for cleaning our Churches and arranging flowers. Our church cleaners meet on Wednesday mornings at St Chad's and on Thursday mornings at St Bede's. Please let us know if you would like to get involved. Thank you.

Tea and coffee will be served after the 9.15am Mass on
28th May and 18th June in St. Chad's Parish Centre.



We hope to serve tea and coffee after Mass on Sunday
morning on **11th June at St. Bede's Parish Centre.**

*We do need a few more volunteers to help set up, serve and tidy away
at our Sunday morning refreshments. Please speak to Fr. Mark if you
would like to get involved in helping with tea and coffee after our
Sunday morning Masses. Cakes to serve or to sell are always very
welcome too!*

We are currently preparing rotas for readers and Special Minister of Holy Communion for the coming months. If you will be away on holiday any weekend between now and September, please let us know by email. If you take Holy Communion to someone in their home or place of care, please let us know if you will be away and we can arrange for someone else to visit until you get back. Thank you.

It would be great to be able to organise a few social events for our parishioners in the coming months. We need a few volunteers to take on this task. If you would like to offer your help please let us know. If there are a few willing hands we can meet and start to make plans.

Our St Vincent de Paul group offers support to local people in difficulty. We would like to “relaunch” our group at St Bede’s. We have three willing volunteers already but a few more would be very welcome. Please let Fr Mark know if you are interested in getting involved. Membership of the group may involve visiting people in their homes so is subject to a DBS check.



Little Church at St Chad’s will start in September. We need to make sure we have enough volunteers with a current parish DBS. If you would like to get involved in supporting our younger parishioners during our Sunday morning Mass at St Chad’s please speak to Fr Mark. If your DBS application hasn’t come through yet let us know and we can chase it up with the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. Thank you.

St Bede’s Prayer Group. The prayer group takes place every **Monday** at 1pm to 2.30pm **in the Presbytery. The next meeting will take place on 5th June.** Everyone is very welcome to come along.

St Chad’s Craft Group. The craft group will meet again on Tuesday 6th June from 1.30pm to 3.30pm in **St. Chad’s Parish Centre.** Everyone is welcome, no skills or previous experience required.

St Chad’s Reading Group. The next meeting of the reading group is on **Friday 23rd June** 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. If you would like more information please get in touch and we can put you in contact with the organisers.

We are very happy to announce that we will be offering **the ALPHA course at St Bede's from September** this year. Please keep this project in your prayers. It is for people who would like to know more about the Christian faith and need a safe place to learn and ask questions. Please mention it to anyone you know who might be interested in coming along. Thank you.

St. Chad's and St. Bede's Parish Centres are available to hire for use by groups and for some private functions. For enquiries about our rates and conditions of use for St Bede's Parish Centre please call Aidan on 01257 271818 and for St Chad's Parish Centre please call 07719718523. Please leave your name and telephone number and we will call you back.

Call in for a coffee and cake.

The Community Larder will be open 9.30am to 11.30am **Monday and Friday** at **St. Aidan's**, 46 Station Road, Bamber Bridge. PR5 6QL.

Email: christiancommunitylarder@gmail.com Tel: 07762905978

Food left at the back of St Chad's goes to support Chorley Help the Homeless.
Food left at the back of St Bede's goes to the Community Larder.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Sick are always available in our parishes. Please let Fr Mark know you would like to make your confession or to be anointed and he can arrange to meet you at St Chad's or at St Bede's or visit you in your home.

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

Deacon: Rev Simon Gilbertson

Parish Office 01772 335209 The office is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 10am until 3pm for any enquiries.

St Bede's Church. 598, Preston Road, Clayton-le-Woods. PR6 7EB

St Chad's Church. 237, Town Lane, Whittle-le-Woods. PR6 8AJ.

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

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Masses and Services this week

Saturday 27th May 6pm St. Bede's John Mountford

Sunday 28th May **Pentecost Sunday (PW4)**

9.15am St. Chad's Parishioners

11am St. Bede's G. Myerscough

Monday 29th May **10am** St. Chad's Peter Turner (RIP)

Tuesday 30th May 9.15am St Bede's Annie Gilfenan

Wednesday 31st May No Mass

Thursday 1st June 9.15am St. Chad's Jack & Kitty Coupe

Friday 2nd June 9.15am St. Bede's Special Intention

Saturday 3rd June 6pm St. Bede's Thanksgiving & prayers answered

Sunday 4th June **Holy Trinity (PW1)**

9.15am St. Chad's Parishioners

11am St. Bede's Agnes Paul



Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners

Syd Newton, George Morris, Peter Deacon, Amy Greenhalgh, Thomas Hesse, Ray Briant, Eileen Farnworth, Robert Rainford, Brenda Wrightson, Maria Reynolds, Eileen Ainscough, Tony Miller, Tony Morris, Gabrielle Myerscough, Connie Foy, Katherine Yates, Marie Coleman, Virginia Hayton-Weed, Lawrence Eccles, Vivienne Howard, Patrick Phillips, Joyce Campbell, Agnes Moss and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

New Altar Servers Welcome

It would be great to have a few more girls and boys to help with our team of altar servers at our weekend Masses. It is a great way to learn more about our faith and help our parish. Any children in Year 4 or older who would like to get involved are asked to speak to Fr Mark. Children who have recently made their First Holy Communion are very welcome to join our team.

