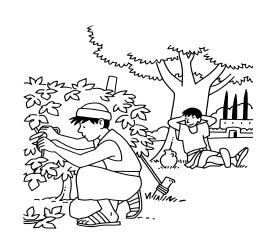
Parishes of St Bede, Clayton Green and St Chad, South Hill

Parish News

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time 1st October 2023





Family Fast Day - Friday 6th October:

This week we are asked to stand in solidarity with some of the poorest of our brothers and sisters across the world who need our help. We are invited to go without something we would normally eat or drink, or have a simpler meal, and the money we save we donate to

support the work of CAFOD. There will be a retiring collection next weekend after all Masses to support the work of CAFOD. We pray for all those who have experienced flooding or other natural disasters, those who have seen their homes and crops destroyed. May we stand alongside them when they need our help and as they rebuild their lives. Donation envelopes are available for you to use at the back of Church. If you are a UK tax-payer please Gift Aid your donation using a CAFOD envelope. This will increase the value of your gift by 25%. Thank you.

Tea and coffee will be served this weekend in St Chad's parish centre after the 9.15am Sunday Mass. Everyone is very welcome to come along.

Donations are welcome to support the parish. Thank you.

SVP Group at St Bede's.

The next meeting of the group will be held in St Bede's Presbytery at 7pm on Wednesday 11th October.

Lourdes Youth Pilgrimage open to young people aged 15 (or in Year 10) to 22. A chance travel to Lourdes to support our assisted pilgrims and live a truly memorable week. Application forms for July 2024 will go online on the 2nd October. Some financial support may be available through the parish if requested. We are asking that young people apply through www.liverpoollourdesyouth.co.uk or contact admin@animateyouth.co.uk for more information.



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 Bede's Prayer Group

The prayer group is on every **Monday** at 1pm to 2.30pm in **St. Bede's Presbytery.** All are welcome.

St Chad's Craft Group

The craft group will meet every **Tuesday** 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 **Monday**, **2**nd **October** from 2pm to 4pm in the **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.

St Bede's Bicentenary Celebrations - 2024

There will be another meeting to start planning for the celebrations of St Bede's Bicentenary next year on Monday 16th October at 7pm in the parish hall. Everyone is very welcome to come along and share your ideas and your willingness to help.



New Altar Servers Are Very 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 starting in Year 4 in September, or older, who would like to get involved are asked to speak to Fr Mark.

Thank you to everyone who made the parish meal at St Chad's last weekend such a great evening. The team worked very hard to prepare the room, cook and serve the food and tidy up afterwards. The event raised over £550 for much needed parish funds. Thank you to everyone who was able to support this event. Preparations are now underway for a celebration in December.

Talking Tables Group meets at Clayton Green Library on Monday 2nd October from 1.30pm to 3pm. Councillor Mark Clifford will be discussing local issues, for those attending the group from 12.30pm to 1.30pm. Refreshments are provided and it is free to attend. Everyone is welcome.

Events across the Archdiocese

Journey Into Prayer Course. There are many different ways of praying, but many of us stay with the few methods we learned years ago. It is good to try other ways, as they may lift us out of the dry place we sometimes find ourselves in. The Journey Into Prayer course aims to give a taste of a variety of ways of praying, not just by talking about them but by giving us space to experience them. The course, which will cost £160 per person, will begin at The Cenacle in Liverpool on 16th January 2024 and continue for 12 sessions through to July, with a break for Easter. The closing date for applications is 1st December. Some application forms are available at the back of church giving contact details of the organisers.

LGBT+ Catholics - Sunday 8 October. The next gathering for LGBT+ Catholics and their families and friends will be on Sunday 8th October at St Bede's Church in Appleton Village, Widnes. Mass will begin at 2.00pm, and all are welcome.

The Priests Live in Concert - Thursday 12 October

The popular trio return to Liverpool to celebrate the centenary year of the Liverpool Lourdes pilgrimage and the work of the friends of the Metropolitan Cathedral. With guest soloist Danielle Thomas, and musical director Stephen Mannings, this is an event not to be missed. To book call 07860 129589 or email thepriestsliverpool@hotmail.com

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 and toiletries 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 support the work of the Community Larder.

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 30th September 6pm St. Bede's Parishioners Sunday 1st October **Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time** (PW2)

> 9.15am St. Chad's Ian Holden 11am St. Bede's Fr. John Walsh

Monday 2nd October 9.15am St. Chad's Special Intention
Tuesday 3rd October 9.15am St. Bede's Donation request
Wednesday 4th October No Mass
Thursday 5th October 9.15am St. Chad's Special Intention
Friday 6th October 9.15am St. Bede's Service of the Word
with Holy Communion

Saturday 7th October 6pm St. Bede's Special Intention Sunday 8th October **Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time** (PW3)

> 9.15am St. Chad's Parishioners 11am St. Bede's Donation request

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, Sandra Farrel and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Willow Bank, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

We welcome Eva Parker who will be received into full Communion with the Catholic Church at the 9.15am Mass this Sunday

and Emie Livesey who will be baptised at St Chad's this weekend.

Please keep them and their family in your prayers.

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.

