



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

Parish News

**22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time
1st September 2024**

Fr Mark goes annual leave this week. Fr Anthony, who was with us last year, will be with us again for two weeks from 6th September. He is going to need lifts between our two churches and help with shopping etc. He might like to be invited out too. If you can help, please talk to Clare in the parish office. People who receive a gluten-free host might like to introduce themselves to Fr Anthony in the sacristy before Mass. Thank you.

THE ALPHA COURSE

will begin at St Bede's parish hall on 11th September at 7pm and will run for 10 weeks. ALPHA is a series of weekly meetings where you can explore the Christian Faith in an open-minded and welcoming environment. There's no charge and no "pressure" – just lots of great conversation and a space to talk and ask whatever questions you might have. Contact Sr Dorothy on 07530238222 or Julie on 07943874257 or email dorothyhindle234@gmail.com or julie-st-bedes@hotmail.com



St Bede's Prayer Group will meet on Monday 9th September in St Bede's Presbytery at 1pm – 2.30pm. Everyone is very welcome to come along.

St Chad's Craft Group. The craft group will meet on Tuesday 3rd September 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 2nd September 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.

Mill Hill Missionaries 'Red Box' Holders at St. Bede's and St. Chad's are kindly asked to empty your red collection box, put the money in an envelope and place it in the box at the back of church. Please write your name and contact details on the envelope. They should be placed in the boxes at the back of church between the 8th, 15th & 22nd September 2024. Thank you.

Readers Training

The Liturgy Commission are offering parish readers (existing or new) an opportunity to come together for some practical training and reflection on their important ministry this autumn.

Saturday, 2nd November: St Mary's Community Centre, Leyland, PR25 1PD

All 10am to 1pm (followed by lunch - bring a packed lunch)

Please contact pa.stmaryleyland@rcaol.org.uk to reserve your places.

Let us know if you will need a lift to attend the Leyland training.

Welcome back to the staff and pupils of our primary schools who return to work and to learning this week.

We hope you have all had a good summer break.

Adoremus - Saturday 21 September

A day of Eucharistic Pilgrimage for the Archdiocese to the Metropolitan Cathedral in Liverpool will be taking place on Saturday 21st September at 9am until 6pm. In advance of the Jubilee Year 2025, and in celebration of this Year of Prayer, we will be celebrating Mass, offering confessions, a time of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, a variety of workshops and a Eucharistic Procession with plenty of time for prayer and reflection.

See poster at back of church for more information.

Sunday 8th September at St Gregory's Gardens 1-5pm Chorley Catholic Community Festival.

BBQ, stalls galore, tombola, cake stalls, lots of things for children to do, lots of live music and information from lots of local organisations.

It's free to come along.

Our parishes will once again be running a cake stall.

We are going to need lots of bakers who are willing to fill our cake stall. Please let Clare in St Bede's parish office know if you are able to bake or lend a hand on a stall. We need volunteers to help setting up and clearing away at the end of the day. 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. If there is no answer, please leave your name and telephone number and we will call you back.

Dates for your Diary at St Chad's

12th October -Social evening and Quiz

17th November - Red Admiral Brass Band Christmas Concert

7th December - Christmas Party with music from "the Symbolics"

Christian Community Larder – We have received a list of items most needed for the larder. Breakfast cereals, porridge, tinned meat, rice/pasta, sauce, cooking oil, instant rice, noodles, biscuits, baby food (not formula), **washing up liquid, washing pods and liquid (not powder) and toilet rolls.**

Tel: 07762905978 Email: christiancommunitylarder@gmail.com

Please leave the food at the back of St Bede's Church.

Food left at the back of St Chad's goes to support Chorley Help the Homeless. Similar items are very welcome.

The SVP are collecting the following items on behalf of the local '**Tippy Toes Baby Bank**'. Newborn **boy** clothes & Prem clothes. Additionally, if there are any parishioners who would like to knit any of the items listed then please let the SVP know and they will supply some wool. Boxes will be available at the back of Church for any donations. Thank you for your support.

Clayton Thursday Group will meet beginning on 5th September for over 60's to be held in St Bede's Parish Hall between 12.45 and 3.15 each Thursday. It costs £3 per week and we play games and have tea, coffee and biscuits. We also arrange trips out for afternoon tea, visits to garden centres and theatres and in December we arrange a trip out for a meal which includes entertainment. The club contributes to some of the cost of these trips. Please come along.

Chair based exercise to improve strength, balance and flexibility. Starts on 5th September 2024 every Thursdays 11-12am, in St. Bede's Parish Hall. If you want any more information contact Janet 07890165986

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

Deacon: Rev Simon Gilbertson

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

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

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

Masses and Services this week.

Saturday 31 st August	6pm	St. Bede's	Joe Comerford Snr (RIP)
Sunday 1 st September	22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time (PW2)		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Parishioners
	11am	St Bede's	John Griffin
Monday 2 nd September	9.15am	St Chad's	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Tuesday 3 rd September	9.15am	St Bede's	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Wednesday 4 th September	11.30am	St. Bede's	Funeral Service for Constance Foy
Thursday 5 th September	9.15am	St. Chad's	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Friday 6 th September	9.15am	St. Bede's	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Saturday 7 th September	6pm	St. Bede's	Parishioners
Sunday 8 th September	23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (PW3)		
	9.15am	St. Chad's	Eileen & Fred Southworth
	11am	St. Bede's	Fr. Mark Beattie (Anniversary)

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.

Please keep in your prayers Constance Foy of St Bede's parish whose funeral will be celebrated on Wednesday.

We received the sad news last week of the death of Mgr. Michael McKenna of St Gregory's parish, Chorley. **Reception of the Body & Vigil Mass:** Sunday 8th September at 7.00 p.m. St Gregory's Church, Weldbank Lane, Chorley, PR7 3NW. Archbishop Malcolm will preside.
Requiem Mass: Monday 9th September at 12 noon. St Gregory's Church, Chorley. Cardinal Vincent Nichols will preside.

Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners

George Morris, Peter Deacon, 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, Vivienne Howard, Patrick Phillips, Joyce Campbell, Agnes Moss, Sandra Farrel, Diane Gunn, Shelagh Young, Liam Fogg, Dorothy Whittle, Gary Crook and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Willow Bank, Meadow Bank and Brookhaven Nursing Homes.