



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

Parish News

Sixth Sunday of Easter

25th May 2025

Following the success of St Bede's Bicentenary celebrations last year, we will hold another **parish garden party** following the 11am Mass at St Bede's on **Sunday 22nd June** this year.

We will be holding a meeting at 7pm in St Bede's parish hall on Thursday 29th May to plan the event. We will need volunteers to run stalls, flip burgers, set up and clear away, bakers, stewards and to help in many other roles. Please let us know if you would like to get involved and help us make this event a fun and successful parish event. We are going to need some strong people to put up the gazebos and move tables and chairs. If there is someone in your family who you think would be happy to help for half an hour or so, please let them know that their help would be very much appreciated. Helpers from both are parishes are very welcome. Thank you.

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. Any money raised goes to support people who are experiencing difficulty in our community.

Tea and coffee will be served in St. Chad's Parish Centre on Sunday 1st June after the 9.15am Mass and St. Bede's Parish Centre after the 11am Mass. Everyone is warmly invited to come along.

The appointment of our new Archbishop, John Sherrington, was announced recently. He will be installed at the Cathedral in Liverpool on Tuesday 27th May at Midday. Please keep him and the Archdiocese in your prayers as he takes up his new service of God's people.



World Communication Day 2025 will be celebrated next weekend. The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this day is “Share with gentleness the hope that is in your hearts”. It is a day of reflection on communication as a tool for unity. There will be a collection after next weekend Masses.

Red Admiral Music Academy Brass Band Concert at St. Chad's

Thank you to everyone who was able to support the beautiful concert at St. Chad's last Sunday. The event raised £425.00 for parish funds. The Brass Band would also like to thank everyone who gave them donations as the academy is in the final's.

Invitation to Holy Cross Catholic High School. You are invited to attend Holy Cross Catholic High School to meet with Mr Lindley and members of the Ethos group on Thursday 19 June at 11am. A light cream tea will be provided. Please contact Clare in the office 01772 335209 if you would like to attend.

St Chad's Craft Group. The craft group will meet on **Tuesday** from 1.30pm to 3.30pm in St. Chad's Parish centre. Everyone is welcome

St Bede's Prayer Group. The prayer group will take a break and will start again on **Monday 23rd June**.

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

Clayton Thursday Group will meet every Thursday, for the over 60's, in St Bede's Parish Centre between 12.45pm and 3.15pm. Please come along.

Chair based exercise to improve strength, balance and flexibility. Every Thursdays 11-12am, in St. Bede's Parish Centre. If you want any more information contact Janet 07890165986

Are you an existing catechist looking to refresh your knowledge? The Archdiocese will hold a training module in Leyland called 'Missionary Catechesis' in June. The module will help participants identify key principles to develop a culture of ongoing catechesis, formation and discipleship. Topics including family focused catechesis, catechesis for those with special & additional needs, leading a team of catechists, and ongoing formation. The module will be held on **4 June, 11 June, 18 June** and **25 June, 19.00 – 20.30** at **St Mary's church, Broadfield Walk, Leyland PR25 1PD**. If you're interested, please contact Moses at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk

Thank you to the volunteers who have started acting as welcomers. It is a big help to people visiting our churches who might not know that they need a Mass sheet, how children can get involved in Little Church or where the toilets are etc. We haven't got enough welcomers yet to start a monthly rota. If you would like to lend a hand to make visitors to our churches feel welcome, please let us know or talk to one of the welcomers who have already joined the team. Thank you.

Knitting natters from the Christian Community Larder are asking for yarn and wool. If anyone has any, could you please hand it in at St Chad's or at St Bede's and it will be delivered to the Larder. Thank you.

Altar servers – If you are in year 4 or older and would like to help with our altar servers team at weekend Masses, please let Fr Mark know. It's a great way to learn about your faith and serve God and our parish family.

Non-perishable food and toiletries 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. Non-perishable food, tea and coffee and toiletries are always needed. 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.

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Deacon: Rev Simon Gilbertson

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

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

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Masses and Services this week

Saturday 24th May 6pm St. Bede's *Cassie Comerford*

Sunday 25th May **Sixth Sunday of Easter (PW2)**

9.15am St. Chad's *John Hilton (Anniversary)*

11am St. Bede's *Rebecca Sheridan*

Monday 26th May 9.15am St. Chad's *Parishioners*

Tuesday 27th May 9.15am St. Bede's *Damian Fay*

Feast of the Ascension of the Lord

Holyday of Obligation

Wednesday 28th May Vigil Mass 7pm St Bede's *Mary Ruddy*

Thursday 29th May 9.15am St. Chad's *Samuel & Agnes Shorrock
& Norah Wallbank*

11am St Bede's *Parishioners*

Friday 30th May 9.15am St. Bede's *Good Intentions*

Saturday 31st May 6pm St. Bede's *Patrick Viles*

Sunday 1st June **Seventh Sunday of Easter (PW1)**

9.15am St. Chad's *Robert & Elizabeth Gardner*

11am St. Bede's *Alan Thompson*

Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners

George Morris, 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, Patrick Phillips, Joyce Campbell, Agnes Moss, Sandra Farrel, Shelagh Young, Liam Fogg, Dorothy Whittle, Gary Crook, Marie Gamble, Anna Leonard and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Willow Bank, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

Please keep in your prayers Joe Hardacre of St Bede's parish who died recently and his family. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord.

Welcome to Brodie Kerrigan from St Chad's who will be baptised this weekend. Please keep Brodie and his 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.