



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

Parish News

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
20th July 2025**

**This week there will be a retiring collection at
all Masses for Priests in retirement.**

Thank you for your support.

St Chad's Craft Group, St Chad's Reading Group and St Bede's Prayer Group will all now take a summer break and will recommence in September. Thank you.

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 on 07890165986.

There will be a pilgrimage to St. Chad's Cathedral in Lichfield on Monday 4th August open to parishioners from both our parishes. **We have just 5 places left to fill on the coach.** If anyone is interested in joining our pilgrims, please telephone the office and speak to Clare. The coach will leave **St. Chad's Parish Centre car park at 9.15am** and then will leave **St. Bede's School car park at 9.30am** on Monday 4th August. **Parishioners travelling to Hying Hall on Tuesday are asked to be ready to start our day of prayer in the meeting room at 10am. Thank you. We will be leaving by 3.30pm.**

Our next **Alpha Course** will begin at **7pm on Thursday 21st August in St. Bede's Parish Hall.** If you haven't already taken advantage of one of these courses, here is your opportunity and you won't regret it. It's a time to deepen our faith and ask our questions in a safe and welcoming environment. There are cards and leaflets at the back of the Church giving further details and names to contact for more information.

St. Bede's Primary School has a vacancy for a permanent part time site supervisor, 25 hour a week, split shifts. The role involves basic maintenance, cleaning and key holding duties. Please look at the job vacancy on the Primary School website.

<https://schooljobs.lancashire.gov.uk/ntvacancyDetails.asp?id=65999>

Lourdes Youth Pilgrimage

This year 36 young people from the Lancashire area will travel on Coach 5 as part of the annual Liverpool Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Whilst in Lourdes our young people serve our assisted pilgrims from the Archdiocese. Coach 5 covers the areas around Penwortham, Chorley, Leyland and Orrell. Thank you to the many parishes who have supported our young people with the cost of £710 plus spending money. If any parishioner would like a petition taken to the Grotto of Our Lady, or to have a candle lit, then we would be delighted to arrange this. Petitions and candle requests can be handed into either presbytery before Wednesday evening this week. Any donations can be made to Lourdes Coach 5, Nat West Account number 92703410, Sort 60-24-02. Fr Mark will be travelling to Lourdes on Thursday as chaplain to our assisted pilgrims. Fr Seth will be with us again while Fr Mark is away.

Our cake sales at St. Bede's and St. Chad's for SANDS, the pregnancy and baby loss charity, have raised a grand total of **£255.85**. Sands are extremely grateful for all the parishioners and school children who attended the events. Thank you for your support.

Light of truth: children's liturgy training, Saturday 6 September, 9.00 to 12.00. An online morning workshop for everyone involved in Children's Liturgy, looking at the principles and practical tools we can use to help children participate in the Liturgy of the Word at Mass.

<https://www.lightoftruth.uk/event-details/childrens-liturgy-training>



Visit to the Jubilee Holy Door at St. Mary's, Chorley.

PR7 2SR. On Tuesday 5th August we will have the opportunity to walk through the 'Jubilee Holy Door'.

There will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation between 11am and 11.25am in the church. The pilgrimage will begin at 11.30am at the

Grotto of Our Lady in the church grounds. Mass will be celebrated at 12 noon. We are asked to bring our own picnic lunches, which will be eaten in the parish hall. For more information, please call Stella on 01772 378353. Everyone is warmly invited to join in this moment to celebrate this Jubilee Year of Hope together.

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. If you would like to lend a hand to make visitors to our churches, feel welcome, please let us know. Thank you.

Tea and coffee will be served in St. Bede's Parish Centre **after the 11am Mass on Sunday 3rd August**. Everyone is warmly invited to come along.

St Gregory's Annual Beer Festival - 8th - 10th August. This year's festival will feature a selection of beers and ciders. Tickets for this event will be £5 each to include a souvenir programme & a free glass of beer. Wine and gin will also be available as well as food from our own Pit Stop café. If you would like to sponsor this event, the cost is £110 per keg. All sponsor's business/company names will be included in the festival programme which is issued to all attendees. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please let us know.

Concert in the Garden - SUNDAY 10th August. Our ever popular family event will take place in the Parish Grounds at St Gregory's. The event will begin at 2:00pm and entry to the concert is free (i.e. no ticket required). Entry to the beer tent is free for those attending the beer festival on Fri/Sat but otherwise entry is £5 on the door. Bring along your friends and family and your own chairs and picnic blankets! There will be live music to entertain you, donkey rides and games for the children. Bring along your own picnic or enjoy food from our BBQ and refreshment stand.

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



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.

Parish Priest: Fr Mark Beattie

Deacon: Rev Simon Gilbertson

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

St Chad's Parish Hall 07719718523

St Bede's Parish Hall 01257 271818

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

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

Masses and Services this week

Saturday 19th July 6pm St. Bede's *Anne Grace (RIP)*

Sunday 20th July **Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW4)**

9.15am St. Chad's *Dennis Gray*

11am St. Bede's *Mary Ruddy*

Monday 21st July **9.30am In St. Chad's School Hall** *Parishioners*

End of year Mass with the children and staff of St. Chad's School

Tuesday 22nd July No Mass

Parish Day of Prayer at Hyning Hall, Carnforth

Wednesday 23rd July **11am St. Bede's Funeral Mass for Iris Taylor**

Thursday 24th July 9.15am St. Chad's *Service of the word with Holy Communion*

Friday 25th July 9.15am St. Bede's *Service of the word with Holy Communion*

Saturday 26th July 6pm St. Bede's *Neil Watson (RIP)*

Sunday 27th July **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW1)**

9.15am St. Chad's *Winefride, John and Michael Eccles*

11am St. Bede's *John Clarke (RIP)*

Please pray for Iris Taylor and Mary Jones of St Bede's parish who have died recently and for their families.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.

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, Anna Leonard and the residents of Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Willow Bank, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.



If any of the children who have now made their First Holy Communion would like to join our team of altar servers at our weekend Masses, they would be very welcome. Please talk to Fr Mark if you would like to know more about becoming an altar server.