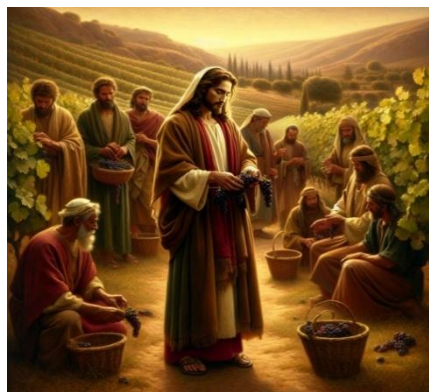




**Parishes of St Bede,
Clayton Green and Hoghton,
and St Chad, South Hill**

Parish News

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
20th September 2026**

Evangelii Gaudium (Home Mission) Sunday is on 20th September; we ask God to help each of us play our part in making Jesus known and loved through our words and our example. The retiring collection after Masses 19th – 20th September will support the work of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to celebrate the beauty of our faith and our commitment to witness to the fullness of life in Christ. Please use the baskets at the back of church if you wish to make a donation. Thank you.

This weekend and for the following three weekends the **annual Mass Count** of those attending Mass will be taken. Those counting are asked to let Clare in the parish office have the weekly figures at the end of the four weeks. Thank you

St Bede's Prayer Group will meet on **Monday 21st September** in **St. Bede's Presbytery** at 1pm – 2.30pm. Everyone is welcome to come along.

St Chad's Craft Group. The craft group will meet on **Tuesday 22nd September** from 1.30pm to 3.30pm in **St. Chad's Parish Centre**. Everyone is welcome, no skills or previous experience required.

Sausage sizzle will be served along with **Tea and coffee** in St. Chad's Parish Centre **after the 9.15am Mass on Sunday 27th September**. There will also be a raffle, everyone is warmly invited to come along.

Charity Comedy Night hosted by Steve Royle and Friends.

Local comedy legend, radio presenter, and *Britain's Got Talent* finalist Steve Royle is bringing an incredible line-up of funny friends to host a special, non-profit charity evening. Expect a fantastic night of top-tier stand-up and entertainment as Steve guarantee non-stop laughs—all while raising vital funds for St Chad's Church in Whittle-le-Woods. Being held at **St Mary's Parish Centre, Chorley** on **Friday 2nd October 2026**, doors open at 7pm. Tickets £15 Adults only, on sale at the back church after Masses during September. For further information contact 07904 984322.

Rossendale Male Voice Choir are doing an outstanding show at **St. Joseph's Catholic Club, Harper's Lane, Chorley. PR6 0HU on Saturday 3rd October at 7.30pm.** Tickets are £10, you can pay on the door or scan the code on the flyers at the back of St. Chad's and St. Bede's Churches.

Tea and coffee will be served in St. Bede's Parish Hall **after the 11am Mass on Sunday 4th October.** Everyone is warmly invited to come along.

St Chad's Reading Group will meet on **Monday 5th October,** 1pm to 3pm 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.

During September, we ask all **Missio Red Box holders** to bring their boxes to St. Bede's and St. Chad's churches for collection. Feel free to empty your box at home and place your donation in the Missio brown envelope provided with the previous collection in March. If you no longer have the envelope, any envelope or small bag can be used. **If possible, please write the amount on the front of the envelope/bag, along with your name.** The box/envelopes can be left at the back of St Bede's and St Chad's churches any time during the month of September. Thank you for supporting Missio.

SVP Chorley Buddies hold their monthly social on **Wednesday 14th October at St. Chad's Parish Centre from 12 until 2pm.** A hot lunch & an activity or entertainment are provided. Transport is available. The social is free but we accept donations towards the cost of lunch. Call 01257 542367 to book.

Tea and coffee will be served in St. Chad's Parish Centre **after the 9.15am Mass on Sunday 18th October.** Everyone is warmly invited to come along.

A soup and sandwich lunch will be served on **Tuesday 20th October** in **St Chad's Parish Centre.** Everyone is very welcome to come along. It's a free event but donations towards the cost are welcome. Good food and good company. Please join us if you can.

At the back of St Bede's church there are small brown envelopes for people **who wish their donation to go St Joseph's church in Brindle** supporting the Ampleforth Trust to maintain the buildings and meet ongoing costs. If you Gift Aid your donation please write your parish Gift Aid number on the envelope.

Liverpool Archdiocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2027: Applications are now open for young people in Year 10 and up to the age of 22 to travel to Lourdes to work with our assisted pilgrims. Coach 5 takes young people from the Lancashire areas of Orrell, Chorley, Leyland and Penwortham. There is a £50 reduction for anyone applying before 18th October. There is a further £100 reduction for any young person who achieved the Gold level of the Faith in Action Award at the end of the last school year. Apply at www.liverpoolLOURDESyouth.co.uk . **For more information, please email Ben McMullen, Coach Leader at coach5@rcao.org.uk**

Christian Community Larder — How to Get Help

If you, or someone you know, needs food support, the Christian Community Larder offers practical help and a warm welcome for local families.

- **Opening times:** Monday and Friday, 9.30am to 11.30am
- **Telephone:** 07762 905978
- **Email:** christiancommunitylarder@gmail.com

The Community Larder opened in July 2022 behind St Aidan's Church, supported by Five Churches Together and South Ribble Council. Please visit or share these details with anyone who may need support. Clothing and food donations left at the back of St Bede's church support our local food bank and the Metanoia Project supporting homeless people in Preston. Similar donations at St Chad's support Chorley Help the Homeless.

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Deacon: Rev Simon Gilbertson

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St Chad's Parish Hall 07719718523

St Bede's Parish Hall 01257 271818

Parish Websites www.stbedesclaytongreen.co.uk and

www.stchads-southhill.org

www.brindlestjosephs.org.uk

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

E-mail our parish office: stbedesclaytongreen@rcaol.org.uk

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or to Fr Mark privately m.beattie@rcaol.org.uk

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

Masses and Services this week

Saturday 19th September 6pm St. Bede's Fr. Laurence Mayne (RIP)

Sunday 20th September **Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW1)**

9.15am St. Chad's Shevington & Berry families

11am St. Bede's Thanksgiving (Paola De Sanctis)

Monday 21st September 9.15am St. Chad's Nickson, Kerfoot
Southworth & Waring families

Tuesday 22nd September 9.15am St. Bede's Parishioners

Wednesday 23rd September No Mass

Thursday 24th September 9.15am St. Chad's Geoff Lowe (RIP)

Friday 25th September 9.15am St. Bede's Thanksgiving & forgiveness

Saturday 26th September 6pm St. Bede's Donor's intention

Sunday 27th September **Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW2)**

9.15am St. Chad's Parishioners

11am St. Bede's Dorothy Maguire

Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners:

Jim Holmes, Paola De Sanctis, Eileen Ainscough, Agnes Moss, Agnes Martland, Ann Marie Green and the residents of Arrowsmith Lodge, Highcliffe, Greenways, Brookside, Willow Bank, Meadow Bank Nursing Homes and Brookhaven.

Confessions are heard in the confessional at St Bede's each Saturday at 5.30pm-5.50pm or at any time on request. You can call Fr Mark to arrange a convenient time.



Altar Servers. New servers are always welcome. Children in Year 4 or older are very welcome to learn how to serve at Mass. It's a great way to learn more about the Mass and help us to pray together. Please let Fr Mark know if you would like to join our team.



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.