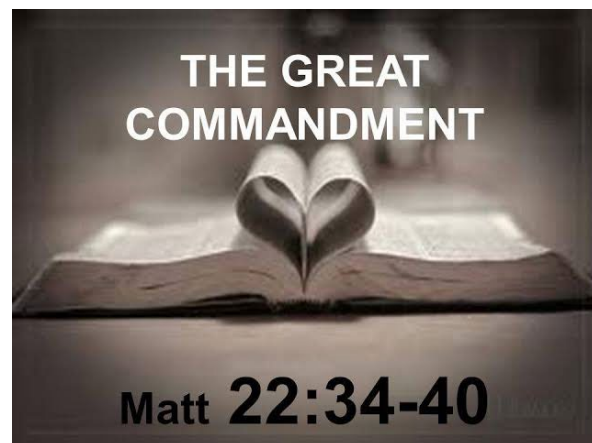


**Parishes of St Bede,
Clayton Green and Hoghton,
and St Chad, South Hill**

Parish News

**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
25th October 2026**



Sunday 18th October was World Mission Sunday

A collection will be taken for the Missions at the end of Masses this weekend 24th and 25th October. The Holy Father invites all Catholics to support Missio – his charity for world mission – through a special collection. This day of prayer, solidarity and giving unites Catholics worldwide to share the Good News of God's love which has the power to transform lives and heal our world. To donate, use the **Missio envelopes**, call **020 7821 9755** (office hours) or visit **missio.org.uk** to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift aid your donation if possible. Thank you.

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. There are leaflets at the back of church with the prayers of the Rosary for people to take if they wish or to use during our times of prayer in church.



The Red Admiral Music Academy Brass Band are holding a Christmas concert in **St Chad's Church** on **Sunday 22nd November at 2.30pm to 4.30pm.** It's an afternoon of great music, entertainment and laughter. Invite family and friends to come along.

Tickets cost £10 including refreshments. Children can attend for free. Please contact Angela on 07761983041 to reserve your tickets. Thank you.

World Youth Sunday join us on **Sunday 22nd November** at 6.30pm, for a Celebration of Mass for and with young people from across Chorley at **St. Gregory's Church, Weldbank Lane. Chorley. PR7 3NW**

St Bede's Prayer Group will meet on **Monday 26th October** in **St. Bede's Presbytery** at 1pm – 2.30pm. Everyone is welcome to join us in prayer.

St Chad's Craft Group. The craft group will meet on **Tuesday 27th October** from 1.30pm to 3.30pm in **St. Chad's Parish Centre**. Everyone is welcome, no skills or previous experience required.

The soup and sandwich lunch will now take place on **Tuesday 27th October at midday** 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.

Tea and coffee will be served in St. Bede's Parish Hall **after the 11am Mass on Sunday 1st November** and St. Chad's Parish Centre **after the 9.15am Mass on Sunday 15th November**. Everyone is warmly invited to come along.

The St. Chad's Social Group will meet on **Monday 2nd November** in St. Chad's Parish Centre, **starting at 6.45pm**. Please come along and volunteer if you can. New volunteers for looking after our parish hall and organizing parish events are always very welcome.

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

Winter Warmer Evening with music from **"The Symbolics"** in **St Chad's Parish Centre** on **Saturday 5th December at 7.30pm – 10.30pm**. There will be a hot pot supper, bring your own drinks and tickets are £10. The tickets are on sale **next weekend** after Mass at St Chad's or you can book a place through the parish office. Thank you.

Christmas Shoebox Appeal. This Christmas we are sending shoebox parcels of goodies so that people who have lost so much during the conflict in Ukraine can have something for Christmas that might be useful and enjoyable. The box and lid must be wrapped separately and closed with a rubber band or string around it. Please then label it to show if the contents are for a **Girl, Boy, Man, Women or Soldier (Male/Female)**. If it is for a child, please also add an approximate age group the parcel is appropriate for. Please donate gloves, scarves, hats, chocolate, sweets, toys, soap, socks, razors, plasters, compasses, matches, candles, heat pads, drink sachets, soup sachets, notepads, pens and perhaps even a letter or Christmas card. The donation can be left at the back of our churches in the Appeal boxes. **The final date for donations will be at St. Chad's after the Mass on Thursday 12th November and at St. Bede's after the Mass on Friday 13th November 2026.**

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.

If you, or someone you know, needs food support, the Christian Community Larder behind St Aidan's Church, 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 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.

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 if you would like to make your confession.

Clayton-le-Woods Parish Council invites Seniors that live within the Parish boundary to a **Community Christmas Lunch at The Halfway House**, on **Preston Road. Tuesday 8th December, Thursday 10th December & Monday 14th December at 12 noon.** For further details please contact the Clerk on 01257 264854 / 07715637345 or email clerk@claytonlewoods-pc.gov.uk from Monday 2nd November 2026. Thank you.

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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 & Friday** this coming week.

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Masses and Services this week

Saturday 24th October 6pm St. Bede's Donor's intention

Sunday 25th October **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (PW2)**

9.15am St. Chad's Parishioners

11am St. Bede's Sheila Margaret Cowsley (Anniversary)

Monday 26th October 9.15am St. Chad's Cissy & Frank Billington

Tuesday 27th October 9.15am St. Bede's Winifred Poulson (RIP)

Wednesday 28th October No Mass

Thursday 29th October 9.15am St. Chad's Special Intention

Friday 30th October 9.15am St. Bede's Birthday Blessing

Saturday 31st October 6pm St. Bede's for the Lord's mercy and forgiveness

Sunday 1st November **Solemnity of All Saints**

9.15am St. Chad's Pious List

11am St. Bede's Parishioners and Pious List

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.



November is kept as the month of prayer for those who have died.

Masses will be offered through November for all those named on our "Pious List". If you would like someone who has died to be remembered in these Masses, please write their names and put in one of the envelopes that you can find at the back of church. Hand them in to Fr Mark or to either presbytery. A donation may also be included with the names if you wish.

We will be holding our **Annual Masses of Remembrance** for the Month of the Holy Souls at St Chad's on **Thursday 12th November at 7pm** and at **St Bede's on Friday 13th November at 7pm**. Both Masses will be followed by a time to gather for refreshments in our parish halls. Families who have celebrated a funeral through one of our parishes in the past year will receive an invitation to attend one of these Masses to pray for their departed loved ones. Everyone is invited to attend and to light a candle for their family members and friends who have died and to entrust them to God's merciful love. Please join us if you can.