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

Parish News

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
15th November 2026



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 or Ann on 07708992621 to reserve your tickets. Thank you.

Carols by Candlelight on Tuesday 1st December at 6pm – 7pm. Led by Holy Cross Choir followed by refreshments at St. Mary's Church. Chorley. PR7 2SR. Everyone is very welcome to what promises to be a lovely occasion.

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, you can bring your own drinks and tickets are £10. The tickets are on sale **this weekend** after Mass at St Chad's or you can book a place through the parish office. Thank you.

We will shortly begin a group for people who wish to learn more about the Catholic Faith and may choose to become members of the Catholic Church - either to be baptised or to be received into the Church and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. If this is something you might be interested in joining, please talk to Fr Mark or to Sr Dorothy. **The meetings will start in St Bede's Presbytery on Thursday evenings at 7pm beginning on 19th November.**

We normally collect Christmas present for children from our local area during advent. We are not making this collection this year as we have not been approached by a charity who can arrange their distribution.

Tea and coffee will be served in St. Chad's Parish Centre **after the 9.15am Mass on Sunday 15th November.** Please come along if you can.

On **Monday 16th November** you are invited to deepen your Christian Faith at a **new weekly Bible Study group**. This will be held in **St Bede's Parish Hall on Mondays at 7pm**. Please bring a bible with you if you have one – more are available at the meeting. We will be starting over the coming months by prayerfully reading the Gospel of St Matthew from the birth of Christ to His death and resurrection and reflecting on its message.
Everyone is very welcome to come along.

St Bede's Prayer Group will meet on **Monday 16th November** 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 17th November** 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 17th November 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.

The advertised Clayton-le-Wooda Parish Council Community Christmas Lunch at **The Halfway House is now fully booked. No more places are available.**

Donations made at St Bede's Church with one of the small brown envelopes at the back of church are passed on to the Ampleforth Abbey Trust to help towards the maintenance of St Joseph's Church

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.

Christmas Cards to the Holy Land.

For many years our parishes have supported the Archdiocese campaign to send Christmas cards to the Holy Land. The parishes have been chosen in Jerusalem, West Bank and Gaza. There are two cards per Holy Land parishes and they will be available for parishioners in St. Chad's and St. Bede's to sign after masses on 14th/15th, 21st/22nd and 28th/29th November. If you would like to make a small donation towards the costs it would be gratefully received. Many thanks for your continued support.

Next weekend we celebrate Youth Sunday - a day for the world to recognise and celebrate young people in our local church communities, whether that be through school, at home, or of course in church. For us to continue to work with young people the additional collection next week, goes to support the on-going work of Youth Ministry here in the diocese. Even in these difficult times any contribution you are able to give would be very welcomed. Thank you.

In the build up to Youth Sunday a series of videos and prayers have been produced by young people from the Archdiocese and by those who support our young people in their faith. They will be posted each day on the Archdiocesan Facebook and Instagram pages. We will try to share them our own Facebook page too.

SVP Advent Social – Tuesday 15th December 1.30pm – 2.45pm

The students of Holy Cross High School are inviting any 'senior' parishioners to join them for mince pies, Christmas cake and a glass or two of sherry. The school choir will be performing a selection of Christmas Carols and Music as well as a few games of Bingo and a Raffle. If any parishioners would like to go, give Clare a ring on the office number 01772 335209 and book your place. We need to pass on the number attending to the school staff by Tuesday 8th December. Thank you.

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www.stchads-southhill.org www.brindlestjosephs.org.uk

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The parish office is open on **Tuesday, Thursday & Friday** this coming week.

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Masses and Services this week

Saturday14th November 6pm St. Bede's Pious List
Sunday 15th November ***Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*** *(PW 1)*
9.15am St. Chad's Pious List
11am St. Bede's Pious List

Monday 16th November 9.15am St. Chad's Pious List
1.30pm St Bede's Funeral Service for Betty Bailey
Tuesday 17th November 9.15am St. Bede's ***Service of the Word with Holy Communion***
2.30pm St Chad's Funeral Service for Claire Hilton
Wednesday 18th November No Mass
Thursday 19th November 9.15am St Chad's Pious List
Friday 20th November 9.15am St. Bede's Pious List

Saturday 21st November 6pm St. Bede's Pious List
Sunday 22nd November ***Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*** *(A) Youth Sunday*
9.15am St. Chad's Pious List
11am St. Bede's 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.
Please keep in your prayers Clare Hilton of St Chad's Parish and Betty Bailey of St Bede's Parish who have died recently and their families.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

Confessions are heard in the confessional at St Bede's each **Saturday evenings before the 6pm Mass from 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.

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our Masses of Remembrance last week. They were very much appreciated by those who attended. Thanks also to those who helped with the Masses and the refreshments afterwards.