



Rochdale Parish Churches
of St Chad and St Mary in the Baum



Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

NEWS

(Please take one and pass it on)

Sunday
19 February
2023



PLEASE PRAY
FOR THOSE TO BE BAPTISED

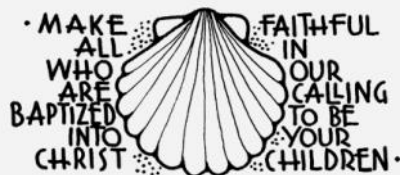
St Chad's

Sunday 5 March

Vienna Italia Hill

Sunday 12 March

Greyson Sean Dodson



• MAKE ALL WHO ARE BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST FAITHFUL IN OUR CALLING TO BE YOUR CHILDREN •

*Thank you for joining us
for worship today.
You are welcome to stay
for refreshments after the service.*



If you would like us to pray for someone who is ill or who has died, please add their name to the list located on the desk or speak to one of the clergy.



PLEASE ENSURE
YOUR PHONE IS
OFF
DURING THE SERVICE

Thank You

place of welcome
coffee. cake. community.

Thursdays 10.30 am - 12 noon
at
St Chad's Church Rochdale

for further info contact:
fr.darrenquinlan@gmail.com





◆ 22 February ◆

St Mary in the Baum at 10.30 am

Service led by Fr Darren Quinlan

St Chad's at 7.00 pm

Service led by The Revd Canon Karen Smeeton

**A reminder that there is a mid-week service at St Chad's
on Thursdays at 10.00 am**

Weeks 1, 4 and 5* Morning Prayer
Week 2 and 3 Holy Communion**

** months with a 5th Thursday*

*** for those who wish to receive the sacrament in the week*





**You are invited to join us
for our 2023 Lent Course
based on the NOOMA series**

Thursdays 7.30 pm at the Vicarage

2 March • 9 March • 16 March • 23 March • 30 March





Rochdale Parish Churches

LENT CHALLENGE

Pray



Make time to pray
each day

Learn



Follow a Lenten
Study guide

Join



Join a Lent Group

Donate



Donate 40 items
to the Foodbank

Charity



Give to the DEC
for Turkey/Syria

Be Eco



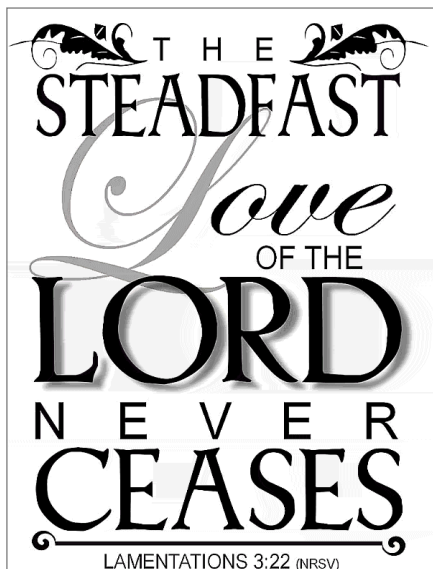
Try to be more
sustainable

This Lent we invite you to join us in
one or more of these challenges



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND
Diocese of Manchester

CHURCH
FOR A
DIFFERENT
WORLD



**MORE DATES
FOR YOUR DIARY**

Tuesday 14 March
Celebrating NOWRUZ
Iranian New Year
7 pm at the Vicarage

Sunday 16 April
St Chad's APCM
12.30 - 1.30 pm
in church
after the service

Friday 21 April
6.30 - 11.30 pm
Sportsman's Dinner
at Rochdale Masonic Hall
Speaker: John Holder
(date / time provisional, tbc)

Friday 5 May
6.30 - 7.30 pm
Pre-Coronation Service
at St Chad's

Mission Community
BREATHE Service
St Michael's Bamford
Sundays at 7.30 pm
12 March • 9 April
14 May • 11 June
9 July • 13 August
10 September • 8 October

God of the journey,
your invitation is to all to walk with you
without fear of stumbling
Your arm enough to steady
the feeblest soul
Your grace to rescue us should we fall
Grant us faith enough
to take you at your word
To know that when our hearts are heavy
and the destination seems so distant
that you are there with us along the road
Forgive us those times
when we doubt your Word
when we awake and feel alone
Draw us ever closer into your family
that we might know your presence
and sing your praises
all the days of our lives. Amen

John Birch
faithandworship.com



REMEMBERING THE FALLEN



COMMEMORATING THE 1st YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE INVASION OF UKRAINE AND RUSSIA'S WAR AGAINST UKRAINE

FLAG RAISING CEREMONY

RAISING OF THE UKRAINIAN FLAG TO HALF-MAST
FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY AT 10.45 AM
AND NATIONAL MINUTE'S SILENCE AT 11.00 AM
OUTSIDE No 1 RIVERSIDE,
SMITH STREET, ROCHDALE, OL16 1XU

SERVICE OF COMMEMORATION

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
THE MEMORIAL SERVICE AND REQUIEM MASS
ON SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY AT 10.00 AM
AT THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST MARY & ST JAMES
YORKSHIRE STREET, ROCHDALE, OL16 1LA

**PLEASE CONTINUE
TO PRAY FOR UKRAINE**

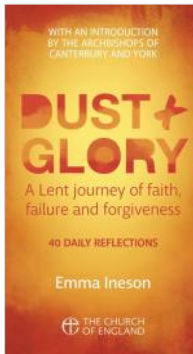


The Church of England's Lent campaign for 2023 is

DUST + GLORY

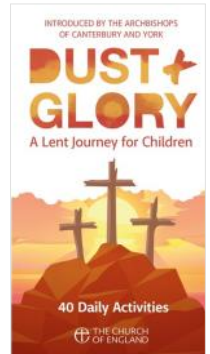
Offering 40 daily reflections for Lent on faith, failure and forgiveness, it invites you to find God in the mess of everyday life.

There are two booklets available:



The **adult's edition** offers daily Bible readings, short reflections, prayers and practical ideas to help you make sense of life's challenges and draw closer to God during Lent.

The **child's edition** provides an age-appropriate daily challenge to do, learn or think about something. There are also weekly themes, prayers and short Bible readings - all exploring the theme of Dust and Glory.



<https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/everyday-faith-portal>

Be With Us Today

Father in heaven,
you have given us a mind to know you,
a will to serve you,
and a heart to love you.

Be with us today in all that we do,
so that your light may shine out in our lives.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

St Thomas More (1478-1535)



is currently supporting over 100 families / single people each week and stocks are low due to the increasing demand. People who once contributed to the foodbank now find themselves its clients, including those who are working full time, pensioners, Universal Credit claimants (5 week wait for benefits), and every item you donate will enable the Foodbank to continue helping local people in need of support during these difficult times.

Items Required...

Whole or Semi-Skimmed Milk (1 litre, UHT)

Tea Bags • Instant Coffee (Jar) • Sugar (500g)

Hot Chocolate Sachets • Cup-A-Soups • Long Life Fruit Juice

Pasta Sauces • Tomato Ketchup (small)

Tinned Foods:

Tomatoes • Baked Beans • Spaghetti • Soups

Vegetables: Peas, Carrots, Sweetcorn, Potatoes

Meat • Fish • Fruit • Rice Pudding • Custard (or packet)

Instant Mash Potatoes • Rice (500g) • Pasta (500g)

Jam / Honey (Jar) • Breakfast Cereal • Biscuits (packets) • Snacks / Crisps (etc)

Personal Toiletries, including:

Shower Gel • Soap • Shampoo • Deodorant • Toothbrushes • Toothpaste

Feminine Hygiene Products • Disposable Nappies



Rochdale Foodbank Warehouse is open to accept your donations
Monday to Friday, 10 am - midday.

Exchange Shopping Centre Service Entrance,
Newgate, Rochdale Town Centre, OL16 1XB (under the bridge).

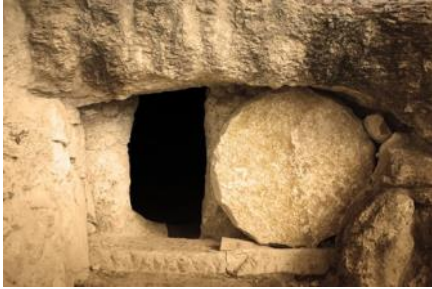
Our sign will be on the door.

There are also in-store donation points at
Asda's Dane Street and Tesco's Silk Street stores.

SHROVE TUESDAY, ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENT

Ask people what they consider to be the most important time in the Christian calendar and there's a good chance they will say that it's Christmas.

However, many would be surprised to learn that Easter is the most important time in the Christmas calendar. So, why *is* it so important?



At Easter we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus from the tomb, three days after he was crucified. Easter Sunday is a very significant date, *the* central event, and the foundation of our Christian faith.

A Biblical account of the resurrection can be found in Matthew 28, Mark 16 and Luke 24. Take time to read and reflect on each of these accounts in your Bible.

However, before we celebrate Easter... there is the season of Lent... and before Lent begins on Ash Wednesday we have **Shrove Tuesday**. Shrove is from the old middle English word 'Shriven', which means going to confession to say sorry for your sins. It's also known here as Pancake Day, or as Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) in some countries.

The custom was (and still is for some) to use up all the fattening ingredients people had in their houses, typically eggs, milk and butter before abstaining from eating these foods during their Lenten fast and a simple, and tasty, way of using up these ingredients is to mix them up with some flour and make pancakes.

Some towns and villages have Pancake Races where people race over a prescribed distance while carrying a frying pan and tossing pancakes a required number of times. The village of Olney, Bucks, is considered to have the oldest Pancake Race, the story being that a woman was still making pancakes when she heard the shrieving bell ringing out so ran to church taking the frying pan and pancake with her to avoid being late.

Historic-UK.com mention the ingredients for pancakes being seen to symbolise four points of significance at this time of year:

Eggs - Creation Flour - The staff of life Salt - Wholesomeness Milk - Purity



Lent officially begins on **Ash Wednesday**, 46 days before Easter Sunday, and ends on the Thursday before Easter, known as Maundy Thursday.

Ash Wednesday is a reminder of our own mortality, and churches have special services where the people are “ashed” with the mark of the cross being put on their foreheads by the priest.

As the mark of the cross is being made on each forehead, the priest says:



“Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.
Turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ.”

These words are taken from the Burial Service in the 1662 Book of Common Prayer, adapted from *Genesis 3:19* in the Bible.

The ashes used are traditionally prepared by burning some of the palm crosses that were blessed and then given to those attending the previous year’s Palm Sunday service. These palm crosses are a reminder of Jesus’s triumphal entry into Jerusalem where the crowd laid palm branches on the ground in his path, as told in the Gospels.

Pope Gregory I, pope from 590-604 AD, established having 40 days in Lent, to follow the 40 days associated with the time Israel, Moses, Elijah and Jesus spent in the wilderness.

If Lent begins 46 days before Easter Sunday then why “40 days”? The Sundays during Lent are important days to Christians and, in contrast to the fasting on Monday to Saturday, each Sunday is a symbolic celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. So, 46 days – 6 Sundays = 40 days of Lent.

In the UK we celebrate the 4th Sunday of Lent as Mothering Sunday and the 6th Sunday is Palm Sunday.

The dates for Lent and Easter change every year. Why? Because Easter is a “moveable feast” and can be between 22 March and 25 April. It falls on the first Sunday after the full moon that’s on or after March 21, and if this full moon is a Sunday then Easter is celebrated on the following Sunday. Its date is calculated in relation to the March Equinox, although the church uses 21 March in its ecclesiastical calendar rather than the actual date of the Equinox which can vary between 19 to 21 March.





LENT

The Bible tells us that the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ took place around the time of the Jewish Passover, the Passover being celebrated on the first full moon after the vernal equinox in March.

The liturgical colour for Lent is purple, the colour of repentance, with the altar cloth and priest's vestments being in this colour until Good Friday.

The season of Lent offers believers the opportunity to set aside time for self-denial (fasting), penitence and reflection, study, providing us with the opportunity to

reflect and focus on the life of Christ... his ministry, sacrifice and resurrection.

In addition, almsgiving has become part of this season.

Many people choose to fast during Lent, giving up something that will require personal discipline, such as chocolate, meat, alcohol, etc. Alternatively, some choose to do something extra each day by way of an additional task or challenge that requires the discipline or determination to achieve. However, Jesus warns us to guard against pride when fasting or almsgiving - read *Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-18*.

What will *you* give up during Lent, or what will *you* do that is an 'extra'?

Crucifixion was a barbaric method of execution, and our meditations and reflections will also serve to remind us of Jesus' suffering for our salvation and consider what he really did for us by dying on the Cross.

What will *you* reflect on during Lent?

During Lent, take time to pray for those who have yet to come to faith and know Jesus Christ. Also, you might like to include those who are suffering for their faith in your prayers.

What will *you* include in *your* prayers during Lent?

As mentioned, this 40-day season (not counting the Sundays) is marked by repentance, fasting, reflection and ultimately celebration, and during this time we are especially reminded of the 40 days and nights Jesus spent fasting in the wilderness and where he was tempted by Satan.

Matthew 4:1-11 tells us about Jesus' time in the wilderness:

The Temptation of Jesus

NRSV

4 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished.

³ The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' ⁴ But he answered, 'It is written,

"One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you",
and "On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

⁷ Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."'

⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; ⁹ and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' ¹⁰ Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

"Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him."

¹¹ Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

As we move forward towards Easter our journey through Lent offers us much to consider and reflect on, and there are a wealth of resources available to help guide and encourage us. Perhaps you've chosen one of the books shown in the Candlemas newsletter, or will be going to Revd Anne's Lent Course?

The Sixth Sunday of Lent is Palm Sunday (the day when Jesus entered Jerusalem and was celebrated) and the start of Holy Week which runs from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday. As we travel through that week we'll arrive at Maundy Thursday (the day of the "Last Supper" where Jesus met with his disciples to observe the Passover), Good Friday (when Jesus was crucified on the cross), Holy Saturday (when some churches have an Easter Vigil), and then Easter Day dawns.

There will be more about Palm Sunday and Holy Week to follow!

Linda G.

MUSIC AT ST MARY IN THE BAUM

TOAD LANE CONCERTS

Rochdale's Weekly Music at Lunchtime on Wednesdays
at St Mary in the Baum

Doors open at 12 noon ♦ Concert 12.30 - 1.30 pm ♦ Entry fee: £6

♦ FEBRUARY 22 ♦

Alice Roberts Harp, *Gold Medal RNCM.*

♦ MARCH 1 ♦

Eccles Community Choir, conductor Angela Rowley

♦ MARCH 8 ♦

The Elmet Quintet

Rachael Gibbon *clarinet*, Richard Webster & Alison Mordey *violins*
Rebecca Mellings *viola* and Caroline Steer *cello*.

♦ MARCH 15 ♦

Imogen Garner *soprano* and John Gough *piano*

♦ MARCH 22 ♦

Telemann Baroque Ensemble

Alastair Roberts *flute*, Alfred Pollard *oboe*, Elaine da Costa & Sarah Snape *violins*
John Goodstadt *viola*, Roger Bisby *cello* and Peter Collier *harpsichord*.

♦ MARCH 29 ♦

Music from Tonacliffe Primary School - Directed by Freda Farnworth

♦ Thank you for your support ♦



Contact Dr Joe Dawson **01706 648872** for more info

MUSIC ON SATURDAYS AT ST CHAD'S

Saturday 4 March - 12 noon

Dimitra Ananiadou (Violin)
Richard Whalley (Pianoforte)
[University of Manchester]



Music by:

Johann Sebastian Bach - Violin Partita No. 2:

Sarabanda BWV 1004

Ludwig van Beethoven - Violin Sonata Op. 30 No. 2

Fritz Kreisler - Preludium and Allegro in the Style of Pugnani

Admission £6 (pay on the door) *including refreshments available from 11.30 pm*



Saturday 25 March - 12 noon

Jasmin Allpress (*Piano*)

Including: Chopin Ballade no.3
and Mozart Sonata in B flat major k.333

Admission £6 (pay on the door)

including refreshments available from 11.30 pm

Singing Day : Saturday 20 May

Workshops 9.30 am - 3.00 pm ♦ Performance - 3.30 pm

Coronation “Come and Sing”



led by Philip O'Connor (*Director*)
with Philip Lowe (*Organ*)

Vivaldi Gloria in D
G.F.Handel ‘Zadok the Priest’

Full Day - £10 per person

Singers: please bring a packed lunch

Performance - £5 *Pay on the door*



SERVICES OF WORSHIP

♦ Sundays

ST MARY IN THE BAUM

9.15 am

Week 1 - BCP Communion

Week 2 - Eucharist

Weeks 3, 4 and 5*

Common Worship Communion

** where there is a 5th Sunday in a month*

ST CHAD'S

11.15 am

Choral Eucharist

Matins on 2nd Sunday of month

1.30 - 3.00 pm

Asian Fellowship

♦ Thursdays

ST CHAD'S

from 3 November at 10.00 am

Weeks 1, 4 and 5* Morning Prayer

Week 2 and 3 Holy Communion**

** months with a 5th Thursday*

*** for those who wish to receive
the sacrament in the week*



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*To book a Wedding or Baptism/Christening
at St Chad's or St Mary in the Baum,
please come along to church
on Sunday morning
or phone the vicar to make arrangements.*

