

THE UNITED BENEFICE OF
ST CHAD, ST MARY IN THE BAUM AND ST EDMUND
ROCHDALE

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(Please take one and pass it on)



Sunday 29 September 2019



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Today we welcome
Amelia and Oliver McDermott
into the Lord's family
at their baptism at St Chad's
after the morning service.

YEAR OF DISCIPLESHIP #morethanSunday/

The theme for September is CREATION

Sign up to **#MoreThanSunday** to receive a **monthly email** outlining a **theme** and **suggested actions** for that month, along with a **podcast** featuring local people who have particular insight to share.

You can join the online community, sharing your journey on Twitter and Instagram using the hashtag **#MoreThanSunday** and meeting fellow disciples in the diocese-wide Facebook group.

Use this link to sign up

to the email: www.manchester.anglican.org/more-than-Sunday/

There's also a short film to watch - you may see people and places you recognise!!!

The themes for each month are:

July - Doubt ▫ **August - Worship** ▫ **September - Creation**
October - Forgiveness ▫ **November - Friendship** ▫ **December - Waiting**
January - Justice ▫ **February - Generations** ▫ **March - Generosity**
April - Witness ▫ **May - Community** ▫ **June - Invitation**

*Let everything that has breath
Praise the Lord!*
Psalm 150.6

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please write these on the form provided on the table near the main door.

Michaelmas

It is our **HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE** at St Chad's today, and it is also the last Sunday in the CREATIONTIDE season, or the 'Season of Creation', the period in the annual church calendar from 1 Sept to 4 Oct that is dedicated to God as Creator and Sustainer of all life.



There will be a **FOOD COLLECTION** in support of **ROCHDALE FOODBANK**.
Thank you - every item is appreciated.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE TO BE BAPTISED

29 September at St Chad's - Amelia and Oliver McDermott

20 October at St Chad's

Alishley Afzal • Ehsan Yararkhani • Soushian Yararkhani

Alessio Degli Innocenti • Ashreif Ghorbani Neshalji

Mohammad Elahi • Farzad Heidarayan

Leily Hassan Dolatabadi • Mohammad Amin Shamshadian



A special service will be held jointly with St Chad's Asian Fellowship on Sunday 20 October at 4 pm, followed by a celebration meal.

All are invited.

Preparation Course and Bible teaching will be held on Wednesdays 2 - 4 pm

25 Sept and 2 Oct - at 89 Clement Royds Street, OL12 6PL

9 Oct- at St Chad's

16 Oct - at 89 Clement Royds Street, OL12 6PL

Today is *Michaelmas Day*, traditionally the last day of the year's harvest season, and in medieval times the day used by farmers to mark the changing of the seasons.

It's also the time of year that darker nights and colder days begin - winter is coming - and people believed negative forces were stronger in the darkness and that they would need stronger defences to protect them during the later months of the year, so Michaelmas celebrations are associated with encouraging protection during the dark of the months ahead.

Michaelmas is also one of the four 'quarter days' of the year, the others being Lady Day on 25 March, Midsummer on 24 June, and Christmas on 25 December. Being close to the solstices or equinoxes these days are three months apart and were the four days of the year when servants would be hired, rents becoming due or new leases started, . It is also the festival of Michael and All Angels. Michael is one of the principal angelic warriors, the protector against the dark of the night, and the Archangel who fought against Satan and his evil angels, hurling Lucifer (the devil / Satan) down from Heaven for his treachery.



Coventry Cathedral's "St Michael's Victory over the Devil" by Epstein

Rev 12:7-9 ⁷ Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. ⁸ But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. ⁹ The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him. (NRSV)

The Bible mentions many angels, but only four are called by name: Gabriel, Uriel, Raphael and Michael. Archangel Michael leads and supervises the other archangels. He is a warrior and the powerful agent of God who wards off evil from God's people and delivers peace to them at the end of their life on earth.

According to English folklore we shouldn't eat blackberries after Michaelmas Day because the devil landed in a prickly bramble bush after being thrown out of Heaven, and in his annoyance scorched the fruit with his fiery breath as well as stamping and spitting on the fruit and cursing it. The story continues by telling us that this curse is renewed each year and it's considered to be very unlucky to pick blackberries after Michaelmas.



(Linda G.)

VERGER

The Vicar is inviting anyone interested in the position of Verger to have a word with him. It's a rewarding job, not demanding, and modest remuneration is offered for Weddings and Funerals. More info at <https://cofegv.org.uk/>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Gift of the gab? Good with a teapot? Volunteers needed to help serve refreshments and/or help with simple conversational English for newly arrived at our friendly chatty church cafe (aka the Place of Welcome) each Thursday from 10.30 am to 12 noon. More information from the Vicar.

WORSHIP TEAM

The Vicar is setting up a worship leadership team to inform, shape and involve others in the worship at St Chad's. More information from Jill Midgley.

ST CHAD'S ROOF

Work is due to commence on Monday 30 September to repair the damage caused by vandalism. Updates to follow!



HARVEST FESTIVAL at ST MARY IN THE BAUM

This will now be held on Sunday 13th October.

ROCHDALE WRITERS FESTIVAL

An event at St Mary's, in the evening on Sunday 20 October - more info to follow. Keep the date free if you are of a literary leaning.

CULTURAL CELEBRATION

There will be a *Free Cultural Celebration* at St Chad's on 31 October starting at 11.00 am, with a tasty selection of snacks afterwards. ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

ST SWITHUN'S CHALLENGE

A reminder for any envelopes still to be handed in ... please give them to either Martin Butterworth or any deputy church warden to enable the total amount raised to be finalised. Thank you for your support.





The following info may be helpful when planning your journey to church next week.

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES FOR WILLIAMS BMW ROCHDALE HALF MARATHON AND 10K

Residents are being warned about road closures during the Williams BMW Rochdale Half Marathon, 10K and Fun Run, which returns on Sunday 6 October between 10 am and 3 pm.

Race routes remain the same and are designed to minimise disruption to the road network whilst taking in some of the region's best open spaces - including Hollingworth Lake in Littleborough, Broadfield Park, Kingsway Business Park, the Stanney Brook Corridor and Rochdale Canal.

Motorists are advised to make alternative arrangements in advance if they need to exit any of the closed areas by car on the day.

Diversions will be signposted and plans will be in place for access by the emergency services.

The half marathon leaves the town hall along The Esplanade and runs along the edge of Broadfield Park, before heading through to the Rochdale Canal at Oldham Road Basin.

The route then heads past Kingsway Business Park and Smithy Bridge along the canal. Close to the Waterside Restaurant in Littleborough it leaves the tow path and heads up Hollingworth Road towards Hollingworth Lake, making a clockwise loop of the lake.

Runners then return down Hollingworth Road and back onto the canal.

The race retraces its outward route from the town hall until it reaches Broadfield Park, where runners go through the park before re-joining The Esplanade for the final sprint to the finish line.

The 10K follows the same route as the half marathon on to the canal, but leaves the canal at the swing bridge at Kingsway Business Park, making a loop of scenic cycleways, before returning to the canal and the same finishing route as the half marathon.

Between 10 am and 3 pm sections of St Alban's Street, Mere Street, Tweedale Street, Miall Street, Durham Street and Milkstone Road will be closed.

Between 10.30 am and 12 pm a section of Oldham Road will be closed and The Esplanade by Rochdale Town Hall will be closed from 6 am to 6 pm.

Canal Street, Hollingworth Road and Lake Bank in Littleborough will be closed from 11 am to 1 pm.

The Esplanade, including the entire car parking area in front of the town hall, will be closed to traffic from 6 am-6 pm.

Bus services will run as normal, however some stops may be temporarily suspended so bus users are advised to plan their journey ahead.

**To view the full routes in detail, including maps and a video, visit
www.rochdale.gov.uk/run**

Springhill Hospice is the official charity for the event.

Councillor Janet Emsley cabinet member for neighbourhoods, community and culture at Rochdale Borough Council said: "Some residents will be affected but where possible we have notified them. These closures are in place to ensure the safety of the runners, although we will re-open the roads as soon as it is safe to do so. More than a thousand runners will be taking part to raise money for charity and this event has raised tens of thousands for good causes over the last four years so I hope residents will line the routes and show them their support."

Williams BMW Rochdale Half Marathon, 10K and Fun Run is organised by Middleton Harriers, Rochdale Harriers and Rochdale Triathlon Club supported by Rochdale Borough Council.

To keep up-to-date with the latest information about the event follow @RochdaleHalf on Twitter, 'RochdaleHalfMarathon' on Instagram and like 'Rochdale Half Marathon' on Facebook.

(Thank you to Wendy Cocks for the link to this news release.)



ROCHDALE LITERATURE & IDEAS FESTIVAL 2019

19 October will be a busy day here at St Chad's as we host a fringe event in the morning and then a festival event in the evening.

The morning sees *Canon Rachel Mann*, a parish priest, writer and poet, deliver a workshop event, 'Writing the Divine'.

In this workshop, Rachel will explore the ways in which Christian writers and poets can write about God and the Divine in a sceptical literary culture.

This session will include an opportunity to try some writing exercises and reflect on our writing techniques. No previous experience is expected or required.

She is the author of seven books with her book about the Great War, 'Fierce Imaginings' being shortlisted for the Michael Ramsey Prize.

Her poetry collection, 'A Kingdom of Love' (Carcanet) is due to be published in September 2019. She is former poet-in-residence at Manchester Cathedral and currently Visiting Teaching Fellow in English and Creative Writing at The Manchester Writing School, Manchester Met University.

Later that day, there will be a Festival event at St Chad's with *Rev Kate Bottley*, 'the vicar off Gogglebox', doing a talk and Q&A starting at 6.30 pm.

You can book tickets online: <http://rochdaleliteraturefestival.co.uk/book-tickets/> or buy them from the festival box office at Touchstones Rochdale.

EVENSONG

at St Chad's on Sunday 27 October

Come and join us for this beautiful service according to the Book of Common Prayer with the St Chad's Choir and friends
from 6.30 pm to 7.15 pm (approx)

PREACHING SERIES

PASTORAL PRINCIPLES

September to November, over 6 Sundays, with breaks for Harvest and Remembrance Sunday, the ministry team will be preaching on the new Pastoral Principles which have been developed to help us as a church deal with diversity and practise the radical hospitality of Jesus.

Cherry Vann, our Archdeacon (and now Bishop Elect of Monmouth), was part of the groups that developed this excellent resource.

You can check it out at:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2019-02/PAG-PP-website.pdf>

Cherry will be talking about them in a workshop at St Chad's on Wednesday 27 November from 3 - 5 pm, so do keep this date free and come along.

- 22 Sept #1 Acknowledge Prejudice
- 29 Sept #2 Harvest or Speak into Silence
- 6 Oct Harvest or #3 Address Ignorance
- 13 Oct Harvest or #3 Address Ignorance
- 27 Oct #4 Cast out Fear
- 3 Nov #5 Admit Hypocrisy
- 11 Nov Remembrance
- 17 Nov #6 Pay Attention to Power

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - ST CHAD'S

Every Thursday - Place of Welcome 10.30 am - 12 noon

Sun 29 Sept Harvest Festival

Sat 19 Oct Rochdale Literature and Ideas Festival

am **Canon Rachel Mann** 'Writing the Divine' Creative Writing Workshop

6.30 pm Rev Kate Bottley 'the vicar off Gogglebox' - Talk with Q&A time

Sun 27 Oct EVENSONG 6.30 pm

Thur 31 Oct Free Cultural Celebration 11 am, with tasty selection of snacks afterwards!

Mon 11 Nov St Chad's PCC 7.30 pm at the Vicarage

Wed 27 Nov Cherry Vann - Talk and Workshop, 3 - 5 pm

Sat 30 Nov St Chad's Christmas Fayre 11 am - 2 pm (tbc)

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20 Jan St Chad's PCC 7.30 pm at the Vicarage

17 Feb St Chad's PCC 7.30 pm at the Vicarage

15 Mar St Chad's PCC APCM after the morning service

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - ST MARY IN THE BAUM

Red Cross Hub: 10 am - 4 pm each Monday

Caring and Sharing Drop-in: Tues 10.30 am - 12.30 pm (approx)

Sun 13 Oct Harvest Festival

Sun 20 Oct Rochdale Writers Festival Event in the evening, more info to follow

Keep the date free if you are of a literary leaning.

St Mary's PCC Mon 11 Nov 2 pm

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20 Jan St Mary's PCC 2 pm

17 Feb St Mary's PCC 2 pm

29 Mar St Mary's PCC APCM after the morning service

View the newsletters online at
<http://rochdaleparishchurches.org.uk/news/>

MUSIC AND CHORAL EVENTS AT ST CHAD'S

Evensong 6.30 pm to 7.15 pm (approx)

A beautiful service according to the Book of Common Prayer
with the St Chad's Choir and friends on Sunday 27 October

AUTUMN 2019 EVENTS

Saturday Lunchtime Concert – Chopin Songs & Piano Works

5 October 2019 at 12 noon

A special lunchtime concert devoted to vocal and keyboard music by Frédéric Chopin given by ***Isabella Goldstein*** (Soprano) and ***Julia Laskowska*** (Pianoforte) from the University of Manchester / Academy of Music of Lodz, Poland.

Refreshments available from 11.15 am

Admission £5.50 payable on the door

SINGING DAY – Come and Sing Mendelssohn's ELIJAH – part 1

2 November 2019 - 10 am to 4.30 pm

Philip O'Connor – Conductor/Tenor (Manchester Cathedral / RNCM)
Callum Speed – Baritone (Goldsmith's - London) Alicia Cadwgan - Soprano (RNCM)
Kate Aitchison - Mezzo Soprano (RNCM) Philip Lowe - Organ (Rochdale P.C.)

The return of our popular singing day event.

Come and take part in a performance of part 1 of Mendelssohn's masterpiece
and enjoy listening to four 'up and coming' professional soloists.

Participant fee £12

The day concludes with Public performance at 3.30 pm

Admission on the door £5

CELEBRITY LUNCHTIME CONCERT – Lowry Brass Quintet (RNCM)

23 November 2019 – at 1 pm

The return of the popular award-winning brass ensemble
who will perform a full programme.

Admission including refreshments £10

MUSIC AT ST MARY IN THE BAUM

Every Wednesday 12.30 to 1.30 pm w **Admission £5**

Refreshments available from 11.30 am

St Mary's Gate/Toad Lane, Rochdale OL16 1DZ

AUTUMN 2019 PROGRAMME

- Oct 02 **Matt and Jason Lam** Piano Duo RNCM
- Oct 09 **Telemann Baroque Ensemble**
Alistair Roberts flute, **Alfred Pollard** oboe, **Elaine Turnock** violin,
Roger Bisby cello, **Peter Collier** harpsichord
- Oct 16 **Oldham Community Choir** MD **Jonathan Gibson** piano **Edward Rigg**
- Oct 23 **Dr Olga Paliy** - Concert Pianist ex-RNCM
- Oct 30 **Duettists Margaret Ferguson** soprano and **Eric Cymbir** tenor
with **Jonathan Ellis** piano
- Nov 06 **Angela Rowley** soprano, **Ann Durnford** flute (RAM)
and **Tim Kennedy** piano (Cambridge and RNCM staff)
- Nov 13 **The Telemann Baroque Ensemble**
Alistair Roberts flute, **Alfred Pollard** oboe, **Elaine Turnock** violin,

PARISH PIXELS

There's still time to enter the Parish Pixels competition.

This new national photography competition for Anglican Churches in England, Wales and Scotland, is being held by Ecclesiastical Insurance.

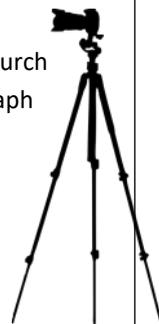
Budding photographers are invited to capture the essence of their church in a single snapshot. Churches will need to submit a single photograph together with a one-sentence caption to accompany it.

Put your church in the picture and it could win £5,000

More information can be found on the Ecclesiastical website

<https://www.ecclesiastical.com/latest-news/parish-pixels/>

Closing date for entries is 31 October 2019.



SERVICES OF WORSHIP

St Chad's

Sundays at 11 am

Sung Eucharist (Common Worship)

Matins at 11 am on 2nd Sunday of month

4 pm Asian Christian Fellowship

6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)

27 Oct 2019

St Mary in the Baum

Sundays at 9.30 am

Sung Eucharist

(BCP/Common Worship Order Two)

Wednesday at 10 am

Holy Communion (BCP)

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Churchwardens:

St Chad's - Paul Bollington 07566 983798

St Mary in the Baum - positions vacant

www.rochdaleparishchurches.org.uk

www.facebook.com/rochdaleparishchurches

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To book a Wedding or Christening at St Chad's or St Mary in the Baum please come to church on a Sunday to make a booking or phone the vicar to make arrangements.