

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
26th February 2017**



Welcome to Church today.

We hope that you enjoy the service and gain a sense of God's presence with us.

Children are Welcome at our Services

In St Chad's, we have activity bags available and there is also a box of toys and cushions in the foyer, in case you feel your child would be happier playing there.

In St Bartholomew's, there are some colouring sheets and toys at the back of church.

Children from age 2½ can attend Junior Church (term time) at St Chad's

Collect

Holy God,
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
set straight our crooked hearts,
and bend our wills to love your
goodness and your glory
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Holy God,
we see your glory in the face of Jesus
Christ:
may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to
change and save.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for all our brothers and sisters around the World. May there be an end to division, strife and war.

For the sick: Please continue to pray for Roy Fordham, Joyce Edmonds and Kevin Wardle, Baby Tobias (and his parents Katy and Isaac), Ruth Dann, and Joel Murray. Please pray for Anne Vickers as she recovers from her operation. Please pray for those in hospital.

For the bereaved: Please continue to pray for the family & friends of Mike and Julie Bennet (especially their children Luke, Hannah and Oliver, their parents and siblings).
<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/claire-knight-2>

For the parish: Please pray for Aaron Williams to be baptised at St Bartholomew's today at 3pm and his parents David & Mikaela.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle: Bishop Peter Joh Mayom, Malek (Upper Nile, Sudan).

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Revd Gary O'Neill, Director of Studies for Ordinands.

Services TODAY – Sunday before Lent

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30am	Family Communion	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
3.00pm	Baptism	St Bartholomew's

Services next week

Wednesday 1st March (Mid-week service)

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's **Ash Wednesday**

Sunday 5th March – 1st Sunday of Lent/ St Chad's 50th

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
10.30am	Family Service	St Chad's

Notices and Announcement

•Reading Luke's Gospel Together –

This week's readings are:-

Mon: Luke 11:14-26

Tues: Luke 11:27-36

Wed: Luke 11:37-54

Thurs: Luke 12:1-12

Fri: Luke 12:13-34

Sat: Luke 12:35-48

Sunday Sermon will be based on Luke 12:1-34 If you have any questions or reflections on this week's passages that you would like to be part of the sermon, please let Revd Jane know and we will do our best to incorporate them.

•**Men's Breakfast** on Saturday 4th March 8.45am-9.45am at Aroma Café Irby.

•**Parish Administrator Required:** 9 hours per week over 3 days for 43 weeks of the year (specific hours by agreement, mainly within school term time). Salary £3096 to £3483pa depending on experience. *YOU WILL BE* a good communicator who can confidently use computers, are able to work alone on your own initiative whilst enjoying being part of a team, able to represent the Church to enquirers, and able to work within and support the spiritual and prayerful ethos of the Church and its leadership. For job description and further information please contact the current Parish Clerk, Chris Rostock on 0151 648 8169 (Tues, Wed, Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm) or office@thursaston.org.uk. **Closing date for applications Monday 27th February 2017. Interviews to take place Thursday 9th March 2017.**

- **Our Lent Group** will be on Thursday evenings 9th March – 13th April, 7.30-9.00pm. We will be using “The Living Cross” which is £8.99 from www.brfonline.org.uk/9780857465122/.

You will need a copy of the book, so please order it soon – if finance will prevent you from attending then speak confidentially to Revd Jane who will provide you with a copy of the book from a grant fund.

- **Irby Methodist** will host a Lent Lunch on **Monday, 3 April at 12.30 pm** to which our friends from St Bart's and St Chad's will be most welcome. Please extend our invitation to both congregations.

- **Easy Fundraising** Don't forget every penny makes a real difference so please remember to keep collecting free donations every time you shop and help us raise even more
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stbartholomewstchad>

- **Please collect your Postage Stamps** throughout the year for RDA (Riding for the Disabled). Box in St Chad's foyer and envelope at the back of St Bart's.

- **St Chad's 50th Anniversary** Special service for the whole parish at 10.30am Sunday 5th March – please put it on your calendar now! A Banner is being made and we'd like everyone to be involved – please stay and help during coffee on 5th, 12th or 19th February. We have invited past incumbents and hope that most of them will be able to come. Dawpool Primary and Irby Primary will also be invited to take part in this celebration.

- There will also be a Summer Barn Dance on Friday 2nd June – please put this date in your diary.
- If anyone would like to organise any other events for our 50th Anniversary that would be great. Please speak to Revd Jane or a member of the PCC.

- **Sainsbury's Active Kids** Guides are once again collecting vouchers and would like to thank people for all their support over previous years - (the girls have benefited greatly from the equipment we've been able to get for them), so any vouchers would be greatly appreciated

Would you like to receive this notice sheet every week direct to your email in-box? If so, please send an email request to the parish office (office@thurstaston.org.uk)

GOSPEL READING: Luke 10:1-16

All: Glory to you, O Lord

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' ⁶ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹ cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹ 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' ¹² I tell you, on that day it will be more tolerable for Sodom than for that town.

¹³ "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. ¹⁴ But at the judgment it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ¹⁵ And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? No, you will be brought down to Hades.

¹⁶ "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 5th March
Ex 24:12-18	Gen 2:15-17, 3:1-7
2 Peter 1:16-21	Rom 5:12-19
Luke 10:1-16	Luke 12:1-34

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