**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby**

**1st April – Easter Sunday**

Welcome to Church today.

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

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| **Services TODAY – Easter Day**  |
| 8:00 am | Holy Communion  | St. Bartholomew’s |
| 9.30 am11.15 am | Family Holy CommunionHoly Communion | St ChadsSt Bartholomew’s |

**Services next week**

**Wednesday 4th April**

10.15 am Holy Communion St Chads

**Sunday 8th April – Easter 2**

8.00 am Holy Communion St Bartholomew’s

9.30am Family Holy Communion St Chads

11.15am Morning Worship St Bartholomew’s

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| **Collect** God of glory,by the raising of your Sonyou have broken the chains of death and hell:fill your Church with faith and hope;for a new day has dawnedand the way to life stands openin our Saviour Jesus Christ*.**Amen.* | **Post-Communion Prayer** God of Life,who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross,and by his glorious resurrectionhave delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin,that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life;through Jesus Christ our Lord.*Amen*  |
|  **FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK** **For the World:** Please pray for peace in all the countries that are currently experiencing conflict.**For the Parish:** Give thanks for the risen Lord. Pray that we may share this good news.**For the Bereaved** Please pray for family and friends of Bernard Dann, funeral 12 noon 12th April at St. Chads. **For the sick**: Please pray for Mark Dennison, Graham Barley, David Cunnington, Anna Drysdale, and Revd Andrew Scaife (retired from Arrowe Park Hospital as Chaplain last year). Please pray for those in hospital.**From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle** Pray that we may always be a people of Easter hope |

**GOSPEL READING: Mark 16:1-8**

**All: Glory to you, O Lord**

**16**When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus’ body. **2**Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb **3**and they asked each other, “Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?”

**4**But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. **5**As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

**6**“Don’t be alarmed,” he said. “You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. **7**But go, tell his disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.’”

**8**Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid

**All: Praise to you, O Christ**

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| **Readings for Today**Acts 10:34-431 Cor 15:1-11Mark 16:1-8 | **Readings for 8th April** Acts 4:32-351 John 1:1-2:2John 20:19-31 |

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