

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
19th 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

Almighty God,
give us reverence for all creation
and respect for every person,
that we may mirror your likeness
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

God our creator, by your gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the
earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of your
Church:
may we who have been nourished at your
table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the
Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
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 Ray Birch (especially his widow Glenys) and of Mike and Julie Bennet (especially their children Luke, Hannah and Oliver, their parents and siblings)

For the parish: Multi-sensory Bible sessions – Pray that participants will begin to understand God's grace and faithfulness coming through time and again, however undeserving we are. Please pray for Timothy Carter & Grace McGuire having their banns read at St Bartholomew's today. Please pray for Aaron Williams to be baptised at St Bartholomew's next week.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Bishop Jean Claude Andrianjafmanana, Mahajanga (Indian Ocean).

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Jonathon Green (Director)

Chris Wood (Assistant Director) at Foxhill. We want to see Foxhill as a centre for prayer, study, and mission. And we want you to call it home!

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Services TODAY – 2nd Sunday before Lent

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30am	Morning Worship	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
7.00pm	Multi-sensory Bible	St Chad's (In too deep? – Jordan, Promised Land and Judges)

Services next week

Wednesday 22nd February (Mid-week service)

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

Sunday 26th February – Sunday before Lent

8.00am	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

Notices and Announcement

- **Please pray for the Bennet Family.** Mike and Julie's funeral will be a joint one at 3.45pm on Wed 22nd Feb at Landican.

Luke Hannah and Oliver are three amazing young people who have coped with losing both of their parents. All three of them also love performing and Irby dance studio have set up a justgiving page to raise money so that they can continue to live at home and be able to sustain their activities and studies: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/claire-knight-2>

- **Reading Luke's Gospel Together** –

This week's readings are:-

Mon: Luke 10:1-16

Tues: Luke 10:17-24

Wed: Luke 10:25-37

Thurs: Luke 10:38-42

Fri: Luke 11:1-4

Sat: Luke 11:5-13

Sunday Sermon will be based on Luke 10:1-16.

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.

- **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.**

- **Wellspring** on Monday 20th February, 8pm at The Rectory. An opportunity to Listen to God and to pray.

- **Fostering People** All you want to know, the good, the bad and the amazing! Hear first-hand experience from a local family at EMU (Evening Mothers' Union) on Wednesday 22nd February, 8pm at St Chad's. All Welcome.
- **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 9:28-36

All: Glory to you, O Lord

²⁸ Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹ And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰ Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹ They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³² Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³ Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. ³⁴ While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" ³⁶ When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 26th February
Gen 1:1-2:3	Ex 24:12-18
Rom 8:18-25	2 Peter 1:16-21
Luke 9:28-36	Luke 10:1-16

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