The Churches of

St Bartholomew & St Chad Thurstaston and Irby



Welcome to Church today, we hope that you enjoy the service, and gain a sense of God's presence with us.

Sunday 13th February 2011 - 4th Sunday before Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
11.15pm	Morning Worship	St Bart's
6.30pm	Holy Communion	St Bart's

Next Weeks Services

Mid-week Service

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's Wednesday

20th February - 3rd Sunday before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion St Bart's 9.30am Morning Worship St Chad's 11.15pm Holy Communion St Bart's 6.30pm Evening Worship St Bart's

Sunday School at St Chad's

Children from age 2½ can attend.
There are activity bags available for children under the age of 2½.
In case you feel the need to remove your child from the service, please note that there is also a box of toys and cushions in the foyer

Notices and announcements!!!

Sunday 13th February Celebration of Marriage, 3.30pm at Chester Cathedral.

<u>Wednesday 16th February</u> Evening Mothers' Union (EMU) 'Nail and hand treatments', by Persis Peters. Please contact Julie de Boorder on 648 6331 if you wish to book a treatment as numbers are limited. However all are welcome to attend and observe.

You've Got the Time: Listen to the whole New Testament

Can you find 28 minutes a day during Lent (beginning on Ash Wednesday - 9th March) to listen to the whole New Testament? The Bible Society in conjunction with Riding Lights Theatre Group have recorded 40 mp3 files which can be downloaded from http://www.biblesociety.org.uk/products/1359/49/

you ve got the time audio files/. There are some pledge cards at the back of church and if you are going to take part, it would be really helpful if you could fill one in and place it in the offertory at any service over the coming weeks. There is also a 40-day listening plan that you can take away to tick off each day as you listen. Once a week during Lent there will also be the opportunity to gather together with others to discuss and share your thoughts.

<u>St Bartholomew's garden</u> Donations of flowers and plants are needed. Please add your name to form at the back of church if you can help. Cash donations welcomed.

<u>Electoral Roll</u> Revised Electoral Roll now being displayed. The roll will be revised by Saturday 26th February. Current members need take no action, except to check details are correct. Anyone wishing to be added to the roll must be resident within the parish, or be a regular attendee at worship. Please complete an application form and return to John Roberts c/o the parish office.

Thursday 3rd March M.U. Catherine Thursby 'African Adventure', 2.15pm at St Chad's.

<u>Women's World Day of Prayer</u> 'Praying for Chile', 7.30pm on Friday 4th March at St Chad's. Speaker, Revd Jane Turner.

<u>The Children's Society</u> collection will take place between 26th March & 9th April. Please contact Jean Heath, 648 6015, Elaine Kavanagh, 648 1721 or Barbara Kozer, 648 3523 if you are able to help delivering and/or collecting envelopes.

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Gospel Reading: (Matt 5:21-37)

All: Glory to you, O Lord

On the mountain, Jesus gathered his disciples around him and taught them, saying:

21You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, "You shall not murder"; and "whoever murders shall be liable to judgement."

22But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgement; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, "You fool," you will be liable to the hell of fire.

23So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you,

24leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.

25Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison.

26Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

27You have heard that it was said, "You shall not commit adultery."

28But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

29If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell.

30And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

31It was also said, "Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce."

32But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

33Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, "You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord." 34But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God,

35or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. 36And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black.

37Let your word be "Yes, Yes" or "No, No"; anything more than this comes from the evil one.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

Lord of the hosts of heaven, our salvation and our strength, without you we are lost: guard us from all that harms or hurts and raise us when we fall; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Go before us, Lord, in all we do with your most gracious favour, and guide us with your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Readings for Today

Deut 30:15-20 1 Cor 3:1-9 Matt 5:21-37

Readings for 20th February

Lev 19:1-2,9-18 1 Cor 3:10-11,16-23 Matt 5:38-48

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the parish: Please pray for Paul Weston & Laura Bruce and Martin Rowland & Laura Bate having their banns read at St Bartholomew's today.

For the sick: We continue to pray for Les Howard, Finlay Joyce, Andy Kemp, Lucy Bailey, Anita Fath, Diana Martyn, Bethan Shone, and Dorothy Mansbridge.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle: Kampala (Uganda)

The Most Revd Henry Luke Orombi Archbishop and Bishop of Kampala; Yjr Ty Trbf Zac Niringiye (Suffragan Bishop of Kampala).

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Kelsall Saint Philip

Peter Mackriell. John Diggle, Lis Wye (Readers).