

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
18th November – 2nd Before Advent**



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

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for all those affected by the fires in California, and all those impacted by natural disasters.

For the Parish: Please pray for Julie and her team as they plan and prepare for the Christmas Fair. Please pray for Junior Church Leaders as they plan and prepare for Nativity.

For the Sick: Please pray for Mark Dennison and for those in hospital.

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle. Please pray for the Persecuted Church and Open Doors who resource our worldwide family in several ways

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle Bishop Nicholas Dill, Bermuda (Bermuda) (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury)

Services TODAY 2nd Before Advent

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St. Bartholomew's
9.30 am	Morning Worship	St Chads
11.15 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's

Notices and Announcement

Services next week

Wednesday 21st November

10.15 am	Holy Communion	St Chads
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Sunday 25th November – Christ the King Sunday before Advent

8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30 am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
11.15 am	Holy communion	St Bartholomew's

Notices and Announcement

Date for your Diary – Christmas Fair will be on **Saturday 1st December**. If there are any volunteers willing to help please speak to Julie DeBoorder

EMU this year are supporting the Forum Housing Christmas Appeal. If you are able to support EMU and Forum with this year's appeal, please fill a gift bag with any of the following donations:

Gloves/Hats/Scarves, Socks

Chocolate /Sweets

Bath/Hand Towels. Shower Gel, Deodorant

Toothpaste/Toothbrushes

Stocking Fillers, Novelty Gifts, Mugs

And bring it to either church or the office before Wednesday 28th November. EMU will then arrange for delivery to Forum. If you would like to include a card please address it to "Dear Friend"

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO BE OUR CHURCHWARDEN NEXT YEAR? Please can you start to think now about whether you

could serve the church in this important role? If you wish to have an informal conversation with someone who has done the job in the past, please speak to Chris Perry, Chris Smale or Roger Jackson, or with our present warden Liz Whitehead. Liz is doing a fabulous job, but we should have two wardens and Liz would be delighted to welcome someone to work alongside her. If you would like more information about what is involved Revd Jane can give you an introductory booklet.

MORE PEOPLE NEEDED TO HELP ON SUNDAY MORNINGS:-

The current rotas run until the end of January 2019. We will be doing the rotas for Feb-Apr 2019 early in January. So please take a few moments between now and the end of the year to think about the following questions:-

Could you read a lesson?

Could you lead the intercessions (trainings and books to help are available)?

Could you act as a Sidesperson?

Could you act as a Welcomer?

Could you help with tea and coffee at St Chad's?

Could you be a Server at St Bartholomew's?

Could you help with Sacristan duties at St Bartholomew's?

There is a leaflet at the back of church which explains all of these jobs. We would love to have as many people as possible involved in some way on our rotas, please speak to Revd Jane if you would like to be included.

In Memoriam 1918- 2018 –Irby Library - Irby and Thurstaston W.I. and Wirral Flower Club have mounted a display in remembrance of the sacrifices made by local. Please do visit the library and see the beautiful and interesting arrangement.

Liverpool Renaissance Singers are performing Start, Lights and Mystery. The mystical landscapes of Hildegard Von Bingen, Guillaume, Josquin des Prez, Palestrina and others. December 9th 7.30pm, The Chapel, Birkenhead School CH43 2 JD and December 16th 7.30pm Lady Chapel, Liverpool Anglican Cathedral, Tickets £10, Concessions £8, for more details speak to Chris Turnbull.

Wirral Foodbank are short of tinned meat, fish and fruit, packet soup, fruit squash, pasta sauce, sponge puddings, biscuits, long grain rice, soap powder tablets, deodorants and sugar, they have plenty of beans and Cereal. Donations can be dropped off at Sainsbury's Upton, Asda Woodchurch, the library and most Co-op Stores

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)

Christmas Services

Sunday 2nd December:

St Chads: 9.30 am Holy Communion

4.00 pm Christingle Family Service

St Bartholomew's: 8.00am and 11.15am as normal

Sunday 9th December: All Services as normal

Sunday 16th December:

St Chads: 9.30 am Nativity Service led by Junior Church

Irby Methodist Church: 6.30 pm Joint Carol Service

St Bartholomew's: 8.00am and 11.15am as normal

Sunday 23rd December – all services as normal

Monday 24th December Christmas Eve:

St Bartholomew's :

4.00 pm Crib Service

5.00 pm Crib Service

11.15pm First Communion of Christmas

Tuesday 25th December Christmas Day

St Bartholomew's:: 8.00 am Holy Communion

St Chads : 10.30 am Family Communion

NO OTHER SERVICES TODAY

Thank you to all who supported the Tots and Tinies Macmillan coffee morning, they raised £111.

Children's Society Thank you to all the box holders, following the collection and counting a total of £970.02 was raised

GOSPEL READING: Mark 13:1-8

All: Glory to you, O Lord

13 As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ²Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴"Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today Dan 12:1-3 Heb 10:11-14,19-25 Mark 13:1-8	Readings for 18th November Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 Rev 1:4b-8 John 18:33-37
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