

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
25th November – Christ the King Sunday 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

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.

Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 Bereaved: Family and friends of Lottie Butler (Funeral 1pm Tuesday 11th December at St Bartholomew's)

For the Sick: Please pray for Mark Dennison, Robin Blythe, and Reverend Jane and for all those in hospital.

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle. As the Royal Academy of Arts celebrates its 250th Anniversary pray for the practice, appreciation and understanding of art in all its diversity

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle Bishop José Jorge De Pina Cabral, Lusitanian Church (Portugal) (E-P to the Archbishop of Canterbury)

Services TODAY Christ the King Sunday before Advent

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

Notices and Announcement

Services next week

Wednesday 28th November

10.15 am	Holy Communion	St Chads
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Sunday 2nd December – Advent Sunday

8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30 am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
11.15 am	Holy communion	St Bartholomew's
4.00pm	Christingle Family Service	St Chad'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.

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

Can you help ? St Bart's are looking for volunteers to go on their cleaning rota, they are desperate. If you can help please contact June Bibby on 678 8124.

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

GOSPEL READING: John 18:33-37

All: Glory to you, O Lord

³³ Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴ Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵ Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶ Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷ Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 2 nd December
Dan 7:9-10, 13-14	Jer 33:14-16
Rev 1:4b-8	1 Thess 3:9-13
John 18:33-37	Luke 21:25-36

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