The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad Thurstaston and Irby 20th October – Trinity 18



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 21/2 can attend Junior Church (term time) at St Chad's

Collect

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed,

here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for all those involved in the Brexit negotiations as things change day by day and we get closer to 31st October.

For the Parish: Please pray for Tom DeBoorder and Emma Armbruster following their wedding yesterday at St Bartholomew's.

For the Sick: Please pray for Daffyd Jones-Evans and for all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For the Bereaved: Please pray for the Family and Friends of Colin Stocks, Joan Jones and James Clewes

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Pray for Rajshashi Hospital in Bangladesh and all other places where Christians work for the health of all. From the Anglican Prayer Cycle: Vacant, Church in the Province of the West Indies

Services Today - Trinity 18

8:00 am Holy Communion St. Bartholomew's

9.30 am Morning Worship St Chad's

11.15 am Holy Communion St Bartholomew's

Services next week

Wednesday 16th October

10.15 am Holy Communion St Chad's

Sunday 27th October – Last Sunday of Trinity - Bible 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

Notices and Announcements

Sidespeople: One of the St Chad's Team of Sidespeople will be helping in Junior Church from September so we need a new sidesperson. Anyone interested in helping in this way (approximately once a month) should speak to Revd Jane – you need to be fit enough to put chairs out and able to arrive about 9.00am

Christmas Fair: We need someone to organise the Christmas Fair which is our only major community fund raising event each year. It is currently pencilled into the church diary for Saturday 30th November, but it will only take place if an individual or small group of people agree to organise it. You will have the freedom to run it how you choose – this could be as it's been in the past (in which case Julie DeBoorder would be willing to share with you the wisdom and knowledge she has gained over many years) or it could be in a completely new form. Please speak to Revd Jane if this is something that you could take on.

Leprosy Mission Boxes – The time has come once more for the collection of your Leprosy Mission Boxes. I would be most grateful to the members of both congregations if you could being your boxes to either church. The boxes will then be collected, emptied and returned to you. Please may I remind all the congregation that a one off donation, put in an envelope marked Leprosy Mission, can be given at any time of the year. Pat Hulme (0151 538 1953)

Dawpool Open Afternoons: Parents who would like their child to join our Foundation 1 (year before reception) or Foundation 2 (reception) class in September 2020 are invited to attend one of our open afternoons in November and December. Please contact the school office to book your appointment on 0151 648 3412. We look forward to meeting you.

Wirral Foodbank – The foodbank advent calendar is available in both churches, they are asking for people to collect one item a day throughout November to be distributed in December. If anyone would like to participate there will be a box in the church foyer at St Chads and at the back of church at St Bartholomew's. If you can bring any donations to either church or the office by Tuesday 3rd December I will take to them foodbank.

Can you help? Wirral foodbank are appealing for people who are able to give just two - three hours a week to help them? Volunteers are needed to work in a centre either directly with clients or in the food packing room, alternatively they need people to help sort the donations and make up orders at the warehouse. Van drivers and loaders are always needed too. The centres are open at many different times and different parts of the Wirral, the warehouse is only open Monday -Thursday 10am to 1.30pm, and most warehouse volunteers do just 2 hours. Anyone interested can find out more at www.wirralfoodbank.org.uk or ring them directly on 638 7090.

Thank you Julie, Pat and Judith and to all those that contributed to the Harvest Supper. It was a great evening enjoyed by all who attended.

Forum Housing are appealing for items to provide gift bags for their residents at Christmas. Sometimes people donate a whole gift bag, or individual items that they can make into complete gift bags. An ideas shopping list:

Gloves/Hats/Scarves/Socks
Bath/Hand towels
Shower Gel/soap/Deodrants
Toothpaste/toothbrushes
Shampoo/conditioner
Chocolate/sweets
Stocking fillers

Novelty gifts/mugs/picture frames/writing pens

All items should be unwrapped and brand new and they usually require more items for men. Please bring any filled gift bags or items for donation to either church or the church office by Thursday 28th November and we will then arrange delivery to forum.

NOTORIOUS: St Chad's Extension on Thursdays 8.00-9.15pm (9.30pm at the latest!) Everyone Welcome starting on 24th October – more details in November Magazine – out next weekend! "The Bible is full of men and women who strayed from the path of good: the rogues, scoundrels and scallywags. But is there something good these bad people can teach us? What can Cain show us about authentic worship? How does King Saul's daughter help us understand kindness? What can we learn about faithfulness from the mob at Thessalonica?"

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GOSPEL READING: Luke 18:1-18

All: Glory to you, O Lord

18 Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. ²He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. ³ And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

⁴ "For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!"

⁶ And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? ⁸ I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for 20th October	Readings for 27th October
Gen 32:22-31	Jer 14:7-10,19-end
2 Tim 3:14-4:5	2 Tim 4:6-8,16-18
Luke 18:1-8	Luke 18:9-14
	(or Is 45:22-end
	Rom 15:1-6
	Luke 4:16-24)

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