

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
29th December 2019 – Christmas 1**



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

Services TODAY Christmas 1

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

Services next week

Wednesday 1st January - NO SERVICE

Sunday 5th January – Christmas 2

8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
10.30 am	Covenant Service	Irby Methodist Church
11.15 am	Morning Worship	St Bartholomew's

Collect

God in Trinity,
eternal unity of perfect love:
gather the nations to be one family,
and draw us into your holy life
through the birth of Emmanuel,
our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth
the life of an earthly home:
help your Church to live as one family,
united in love and obedience,
and bring us all at last to our home in
heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for peace around the world

For the Parish: Please pray for those missing loved ones at this time of year

For the Sick: Please pray for all those that are ill at home or in Hospital.

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Pray for all families coping with poverty, and wider efforts to change things for the better.

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GOSPEL READING: Matthew 2:13-23

All: Glory to you, O Lord

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¹⁴ So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, ¹⁵ where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Out of Egypt I called my son."^[c]

¹⁶ When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. ¹⁷ Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled:

¹⁸ "A voice is heard in Ramah,
weeping and great mourning,
Rachel weeping for her children
and refusing to be comforted,
because they are no more."

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²¹ So he got up, took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. ²² But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning in Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. Having been warned in a dream, he withdrew to the district of Galilee, ²³ and he went and lived in a town called Nazareth. So was fulfilled what was said through the prophets, that he would be called a Nazarene.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 5 th January
Is 63:7-9	Jer 31:7-14
Heb 2:13-23	Eph 1:3-14
Matt 2:13-23	John 1:10-18

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