

**The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
19th June - Trinity 1**



Collect

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son.
Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Eternal Father,
we thank you for nourishing us
with these heavenly gifts:
may our communion strengthen us in faith,
build us up in hope,
and make us grow in love;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For our Community:

Please pray for all who serve us in our local community

For our Church:

Please pray for Bishops Mark; Julie and Sam, & Archdeacons Mike and Ian

Please pray for Revd Malcolm Cowan and others who serve in the Chaplaincy department of the hospital

For our Community:

Please pray for young people taking and preparing for exams.

For the world:

Please pray for Peace

Please pray for all countries of the world where people suffer from war, natural disasters and the effects of climate change

For the Sick: Please pray for Meira Evans-Jones, Baz Ward (Elixabeth Barton and Joyce Kenworthy's brother), Brian Tucker, Duncan Wardle (Graham Barley's nephew), Kate McMahon (relative of Elizabeth Barton), Azeem (Dafydd and Meira's 9yr old Grandson) following open heart surgery at Alderhey Hospital, Amanda Fletcher (Margaret and Tonys daughter in law), Dot Turner, Jean Boler and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For the Bereaved: The family and friends of Ken Gill and Shirley Anderson (Funeral at St Barts 1.00pm on Mon 4th July)

SERVICE DETAILS

FOR THE NEXT FORTNIGHT

Sunday 19th June

9.00am BCP HC at St Bartholomew's

10.30am MW at St Bartholomew's

Wednesdays 10.30am HC at St Chad's

Sunday 26th June

9.00am BCP HC at St Bartholomew's

10.30am Communion at St Chad's

with Junior Church

Bishop Julie will preach as we celebrate the
25th Anniversary of Revd Jane's Ordination to Priesthood

Sunday 3rd July

9.00am BCP HC at St Bartholomew's

10.30am HC at St Bartholomew's

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 65:1-9

65 I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask,
to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, 'Here I am, here I am',
to a nation that did not call on my name.

2 I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people,
who walk in a way that is not good,
following their own devices;

3 a people who provoke me to my face continually,
sacrificing in gardens
and offering incense on bricks;

4 who sit inside tombs,
and spend the night in secret places;
who eat swine's flesh,
with broth of abominable things in their vessels;

5 who say, 'Keep to yourself,
do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.'

These are a smoke in my nostrils,
a fire that burns all day long.

6 See, it is written before me:
I will not keep silent, but I will repay;

I will indeed repay into their laps
7 their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together,
says the LORD;

because they offered incense on the mountains
and reviled me on the hills,
I will measure into their laps
full payment for their actions.

8 Thus says the LORD:
As the wine is found in the cluster,
and they say, 'Do not destroy it,
for there is a blessing in it',
so I will do for my servants' sake,
and not destroy them all.

9 I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,
and from Judah inheritors of my mountains;
my chosen shall inherit it,
and my servants shall settle there.

PSALM 42

- 1 As the deer longs for the water brooks, ♦
so longs my soul for you, O God.
- 2 My soul is athirst for God, even for the living God; ♦
when shall I come before the presence of God?
- 3 My tears have been my bread day and night, ♦
while all day long they say to me, 'Where is now your God?'
- 4 Now when I think on these things, I pour out my soul: ♦
how I went with the multitude and led the procession to the house of God,
- 5 With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, ♦
among those who kept holy day.
- 6 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, ♦
and why are you so disquieted within me?
- 7 O put your trust in God; ♦
for I will yet give him thanks,
who is the help of my countenance, and my God.
- 8 My soul is heavy within me; ♦
therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan,
and from Hermon and the hill of Mizar.
- 9 Deep calls to deep in the thunder of your waterfalls; ♦
all your breakers and waves have gone over me.
- 10 The Lord will grant his loving-kindness in the daytime; ♦
through the night his song will be with me,
a prayer to the God of my life.
- 11 I say to God my rock, 'Why have you forgotten me, ♦
and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppresses me?'
- 12 As they crush my bones, my enemies mock me; ♦
while all day long they say to me, 'Where is now your God?'
- 13 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, ♦
and why are you so disquieted within me?
- 14 O put your trust in God; ♦
for I will yet give him thanks, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.



**Safeguarding is
Everyone's
Responsibility**

St Bartholomew and St Chad takes its duty and obligation to protect all extremely seriously. We have adopted the national Church of England's robust procedures and guidelines. You can find out more about the national policies and procedures at www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding

New Testament Reading: Galatians 3:23-29

²³ Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷ As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 8:26-39

All: Glory to you, O Lord

²⁶ Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷ As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me'— ²⁹ for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰ Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. ³¹ They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³² Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³ Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴ When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵ Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶ Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷ Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹ 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Everyday Faith Evening— July 7th 7.30pm—9.00 pm
St Stephens Church , Prenton Lane, CH42 8LA

This evening will include:

- An introductory video explaining everyday faith, sharing people's stories of their own experience, showing how focusing on everyday faith in the local church has made a real difference in life, and pointing to relevant resources.
- Workshop time, for each parish group to think about where their church is in terms of understanding and embracing everyday faith, and seeking to identify one or two key things, often small changes, they might try in their parish to make a big difference.



Any church members who might be interested in growing everyday faith and discipleship in the parish along with their clergy and/or lay leaders are welcome to attend (up to 5 people per parish)

To Register please go to <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/everyday-faith-in-birkenhead-wallasey-and-wirral-north-deaneries-tickets-290377907137> or contact Kate in the office.

A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen.

Archbishop Justin Welby
Archbishop Stephen Cottrell



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Help Please !

We are having a new floor laid at St Chad's. We need help taking everything out of the main hall, the vestry , the store cupboard , and then putting everything back afterwards. If you could help on either of the following days, I would love to hear from you:-

Saturday 23rd July from 9am - to move everything out

Sunday 24th July - following 10.30am service - to move what's left

Saturday 30th July from 9am - to put everything back

If we don't get enough volunteers to make this happen we will need to hire and pay a removal company to do it for us.

PLEASE can you let me know by June 30th if you will be able to help, God Bless

Revd Jane