

The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad Thurstaston and Irby 14th July - Trinity 7



Collect

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the
source of life, ever giving himself that the world
may live: may we so receive within ourselves
the power of his death and passion
that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and
be made perfect in his love;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For our Community:

Please pray for all who serve us in our local community and for local businesses and community groups.
Please pray for those elected to serve in local and national government following the general election
Please pray for schools in our parish.

For our Church:

Please pray for Bishops Mark; Julie and Sam, & Archdeacon Mike
Please pray for Revd Ailsa Whorton and 1st The Queen's Dragoon Guards
Please pray for Revd Malcolm Cowan and others who serve in the Chaplaincy department of the hospital
Please pray for Gaynor as she starts her ministry
Please pray for those preparing for confirmation - Annabelle, Diane and Emma (Service 6.30pm Sun 21st July at St Bridget's West Kirby)

For the world:

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 Amanda Fletcher, Margaret and Roy Fordham, Jane Fellows (Dot Turner's daughter), John Reynolds, Baby Isabelle Vickers, Roy Thomas, Meira Jones-Evans, Sally Felix, Revd Ailsa Whorton (recovering at home), Will Clarkson (Brother to Linda Barley's son-in-law), Leo (age 3), and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For the Bereaved:

Forthcoming Services

Morning Prayer St Chad's Prayer Room 9.00am MOST Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays
(check with Revd Jane for cancellations due to other meetings or commitments)

EVERY Wednesday 10.30am HC at St Chads

Sun 14th July 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am All Age service at St Chad's

Sun 21st July 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew's
Confirmation service 6.30pm St Bridget's West Kirby

Sun 28th July 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Holy Communion with Junior Church at St Chad's

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Old Testament Reading: Amos 7:7-15

⁷ This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. ⁸ And the LORD said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said,

'See, I am setting a plumb-line
in the midst of my people Israel;
I will never again pass them by;

⁹ the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,
and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,
and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'

¹⁰ Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹ For thus Amos has said,

"Jeroboam shall die by the sword,
and Israel must go into exile
away from his land."

¹² And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³ but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.'

¹⁴ Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵ and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵ He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸ that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹ he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 6:14-29

All: Glory to you, O Lord

¹⁴ King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' ¹⁵ But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' ¹⁶ But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸ For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' ¹⁹ And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰ for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹ But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²² When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' ²³ And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' ²⁴ She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.' ²⁵ Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' ²⁶ The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷ Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸ brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹ When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

All: Praise to you, O Christ



TABLE TALK

11.30am - 12.30pm at St Chad's
WEDNESDAYS 12th, 19th, 26th June,
3rd, 17th, 24th July

OR 7.45-9.00pm in the extension
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3rd, 10th, 17th July

Table Talk provides an opportunity to take part in meaningful conversations about the things that really matter. Gather around a table to talk, laugh, be understood and get to know another's point of view.

The themes we will explore are:-

- Burnout:** How can I balance my life?
- Friendship:** How do we make and keep friends?
- Destiny:** How do we live a meaningful life?
- Beauty:** What does it mean to live an attractive life?
- Ecology:** How do we care for the planet?
- Spirituality:** How can we experience God?

Gardening Help

A very small number of people are presently looking after St Chad's and St Bartholomew's borders, raised beds and remembrance garden.

If this is something you enjoy and have a little time to spare, please let me know.

Your help would be welcomed and it is said gardening is good for your health and mind. I find it very therapeutic to be outside emersed in nature and feel close to God.

Julie



A warm welcome at the Warm Hub

Every Tuesday 9.30am - 12.30pm

Open to everyone, so please drop in!

St. Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irby CH61 3UH
0151 648 8169

Guest speaker
on 4th Tuesday of the month
Talks start at 10.30a.m.

Tuesday 23rd July

Bethan Conway
Harp Music for a summer morning
Bethan will talk about the harp as well
as playing some music



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Talk and Demonstration
Sat. 20th July 2pm - 4pm

St Chad's Garden or Hall (depending on weather)

Donations of Flowers for Church

You can make a donation "in memory of", "in celebration of" or just because you like seeing flowers in church!

Please sign up at the back of church.

The money for your donation (along with your contact details and the date that you have signed up for) should be given to the parish office in a clearly marked envelope, or by BACS indicating that it is Flower Fund, followed by email to the office.

Summer Saturdays

This was a successful venture last year and enjoyed by all ages and is being repeated (3, 10 17 & 31 August and 7 September)

Please come along for a natter and a cuppa and enjoy the garden, weather permitting, or we will decant indoors.

Please if anyone can volunteer to help the team to make and serve refreshments please get in touch with me thanks

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Please continue to collect and bring your used stamps to Church. **RNIB**

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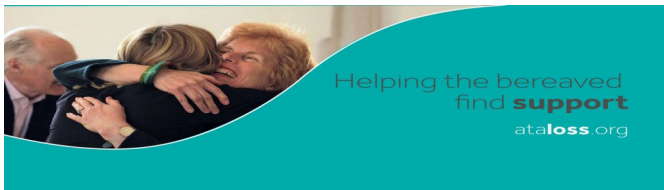
This QR code can be used with mobile phones to make donations to Church using a debit or credit card.



Wirral Foodbank are running short of the items on the Shopping list. Please bring any donations to St Chad's Office and Kate will deliver them to the Foodbank.

Items we urgently need are:

- * Tinned Fish
- * Tinned Meat
- * Tinned Vegetables
Peas, Carrots, Sweetcorn
- * UHT Milk
- * Tinned Rice Pudding
- * Tinned Fruit
- * Tinned Tomatoes
- * Tinned Potatoes
- * Deodorant
- * Shampoo



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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



**Safeguarding is
Everyone's
Responsibility**