

**The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
15th September - Trinity 16**



Collect

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole
heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.
Please pray for schools in our parish.

For our Church:

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

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), Leo (age 3), Dawn McKenna (Revd Gaynor's sister), Muriel McKie, Malcolm Kydd, Liz Whitehead, Eleanor Dean and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For the Bereaved: Memorial service and Burial of ashes of Jean Bentham (10am Sat 12th Oct at St Bartholomew's)

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 15th September 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew's

Sun 22nd September 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Communion with Junior Church at St Chad's

Sun 29th September 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
HARVEST 10.30am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

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Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴ The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he wakens—
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
⁵ The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backwards.
⁶ I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.
⁷ The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
⁸ he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
⁹ It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

PSALM 116:1-10

1 I love the Lord,
for he has heard the voice of my supplication; ♦
because he inclined his ear to me
on the day I called to him.
2 The snares of death encompassed me;
the pains of hell took hold of me; ♦
by grief and sorrow was I held.
3 Then I called upon the name of the Lord: ♦
'O Lord, I beg you, deliver my soul.'
4 Gracious is the Lord and righteous; ♦
our God is full of compassion.
5 The Lord watches over the simple; ♦
I was brought very low and he saved me.
6 Turn again to your rest, O my soul, ♦
for the Lord has been gracious to you.
7 For you have delivered my soul from death, ♦
my eyes from tears and my feet from falling.
8 I will walk before the Lord ♦
in the land of the living.
9 I believed that I should perish
for I was sorely troubled; ♦
and I said in my alarm,
'Everyone is a liar.'
10 How shall I repay the Lord ♦
for all the benefits he has given to me?

New Testament Reading: James 3:1-12

3 Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 8:27-38

All: Glory to you, O Lord

²⁷ Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' ²⁸ And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' ²⁹ He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' ³⁰ And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹ Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³² He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

³⁴ He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶ For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷ Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸ Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ



HARVEST

Sunday 29th September

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

10.30am Communion at St Bartholomew's

There are shopping lists available at the back of both churches and a collections point at both

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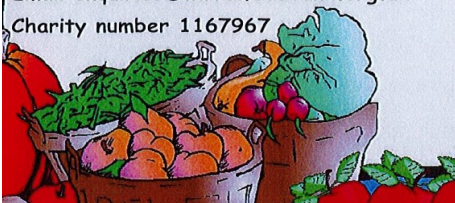
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Return to Use of Communion Rail - from 1st Sept

Following a PCC discussion in July, we have decided from 1st September to return to using the Communion Rail as we did pre-pandemic. This means that you will now come to the communion rail and stand in a line along the rail (rather than in a queue to the rail) to receive communion. You are welcome to kneel or to remain standing. Having received communion, you will then be able to take a moment of silent prayer / reflection without feeling pressurized to move across and allow the next person in. If you have joined us since Covid and are unsure, please ask for clarification.

We will continue to receive via simultaneous administration (ie priest will dip bread into wine and you receive both bread and wine together, by placing your hands open in front of you)

If you do not wish to receive, please keep your hands by your side and the priest will pray a prayer of blessing for you.

Donations of Flowers for Church: You can make a donation "in memory of", "in celebration of" or just because! Please sign up at the back of church.

Money for your donation (with your contact details and the date for your flowers) 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.

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

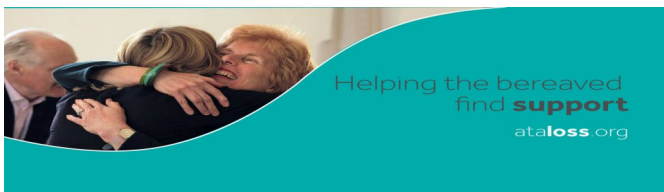


Please continue to collect and bring your used stamps to Church.

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RNIB request that, if possible, you leave 1cm of envelope around the stamp. Thank you for your continued support. Jean Heath



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24 hr Helpline
0808 2000 247
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Craft Sale

Sewing patterns

xxx Cross stitch kits xxx

~ Sewing/Knitting kits ~

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Saturday 21st

September

2 - 4pm



St Chad's, Roslin Rd Irby CH61 3UH

EVERYONE WELCOME

**Esther Bible Study
7.30-9.00pm
St Chad's Extension
Wednesdays**

An opportunity to study the book of Esther. Whether you are new to Bible Study or have been studying the Bible for years, we will all be able to learn together as we look at a less familiar book of the Old Testament.

11th Sept - Esther 1
A little respect

18th Sept - Esther 2
Trusting God's work

25th Sept - Esther 3
Evaluating Advice

9th Oct - Esther 4
Doing the right thing

16th Oct - Esther 5
The Heart of the Matter

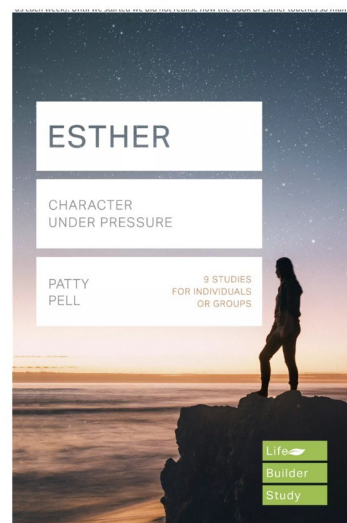
23rd Oct - Esther 6
Recognising Unrighteousness

6th Nov - Esther 7
Character no matter what

13th Nov - Esther 8
Praising God's faithfulness

20th Nov - Esther 9&10
Remembering & Celebrating

No preparation required in advance each week, but if you wish to have a copy of the study book you can purchase one by googling "Lifebuilder Esther".



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**