

**The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad  
Thurstaston and Irby  
27th October - Last Sunday After Trinity**



**Collect**

Merciful God,  
teach us to be faithful in change and  
uncertainty,  
that trusting in your word and obeying your  
will we may enter the unfailing joy of  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

**Post-Communion Prayer**

God of all grace,  
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry  
with the bread of his life and the word of his  
kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly  
grace, and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your true and living bread;  
who 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.

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 especially Taylor; Dave; Charlie; Kathleen; C Squadron in Poland; Krysti and Elijah; Ben

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, John Reynolds, Isabelle Vickers, Roy Thomas, Meira Jones-Evans, Sally Felix, Muriel McKie, Liz Whitehead, Joan Stanley (friend of Tina Samson), June Bibby and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

**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 27th October 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's  
10.30am Holy Communion with Junior Church at St Chad's**

**Sun 3rd November 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's  
10.30am Holy Communion at St Chad's**

**Sun 10th November 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's**  
**Remembrance 10.15am Traditional Service at St Barts**  
**Sunday 10.55am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial**  
**11.05am All-Age Service at St Barts**

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## Old Testament Reading: Jer 31:7-9

<sup>7</sup> For thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,  
'Save, O LORD, your people,  
the remnant of Israel.'

<sup>8</sup> See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame,  
those with child and those in labour, together;  
a great company, they shall return here.

<sup>9</sup> With weeping they shall come,  
and with consolations I will lead them back,  
I will let them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;  
for I have become a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

## New Testament Reading:

### Hebrews 7:23-28

<sup>23</sup> Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; <sup>24</sup> but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues for ever. <sup>25</sup> Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

<sup>26</sup> For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. <sup>27</sup> Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. <sup>28</sup> For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever.

## SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND THANKSGIVING

Sunday 3rd Nov. 6.30pm at St Chad's.

Letters with more details are available at the back of church. If you know someone who has been bereaved in the last year (or so) please do take a letter and pass it on to them.



## A BOOK FOR ADVENT

### "Do Not be afraid" by Rachel Mann

ISBN:978-0-281-09001-3

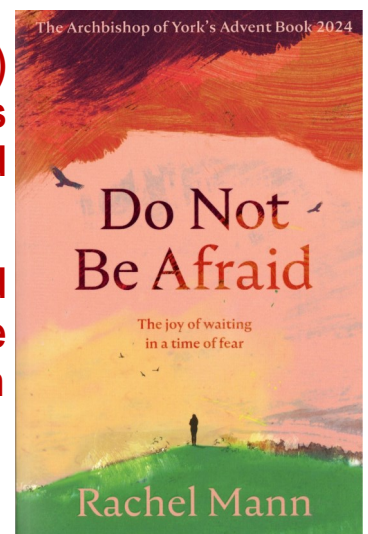
Daily Readings from Advent Sunday (this year 1st December) until Christmas day. Why not treat yourself to a few minutes space each day in the busyness of December to stop and reflect?

If anyone would like the opportunity to discuss the book and hear reflections from others as they read it too, you would be welcome to join us at St Chad's on Wednesday's 7.30-9.00pm

4th Dec - to look at days 1-4

11th Dec - to look at days 5-11

18th Dec - to look at days 12-18



You should be able to purchase the book from any good bookshop - online or physical

## **GOSPEL READING: Mark 10:46-52**

**All: Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>46</sup> They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. <sup>47</sup> When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' <sup>48</sup> Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' <sup>49</sup> Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' <sup>50</sup> So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. <sup>51</sup> Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' <sup>52</sup> Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ**

### **Junior Church**

Dawn Rudd has been working with our pre-school Junior Church group for the whole time I have been the Rector (16½ years) and was working with them before I arrived and has decided that she will retire from this role at the end of 2024.

We do not want to see Junior Church close and have written to all church families (past and present) to see if anyone would be willing to step into Dawn's shoes. We are aiming to build a team of people who can work together with the children we currently have, and hopefully in due course as the children grow to begin a group for primary-aged children as well as pre-school children. Revd Jane would also love to hear from anyone in the wider church family who has even the tiniest thought that they would like to be involved in supporting the next generation of our church through this invaluable work. The bigger the team the better. Anyone working with children will need to undertake church safeguarding training (online module) and have a DBS check.

There are plenty of resources available (both in online and paper form – so you would not need to design the sessions from a blank piece of paper). Each session usually involves reading a simple Bible story, playing a game and doing a craft. You will always work in pairs, so always a joint effort and not one person's sole responsibility. Please, do not be put off if you like crafts but not reading or vice versa, this can be worked out with the other person.

Dawn says, "It can be very rewarding teaching the children, watching the children grow and develop at the start of their Christian journey."

### **The Christmas Bazaar**

this year is on

**Saturday 16 November**

**1.00 - 3.30pm.**

It is planned to have trade and charity stalls selling all sorts of Christmas goodies and gifts, a grotto, children's stalls, cakes, refreshments, raffle and Handmade craft stall (knitted goods and table decorations).

Please collect any children's soft toys and raffle prizes and drop off inside St Chad's outside the church office.

If you can help set up/clear away or can help on a stall please let me know your name and contact details

Thanks ,

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# 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 26th November**

*Jill and Peter Nicholson*

*"History of Gordale"*

*Jill and Peter the owners of Gordale  
will be talking about the history of the  
Garden Centre*



The Warm Hub  
belongs to a  
growing national  
network of  
Places of Welcome



Open Afternoons

Parents who would like their child to join Dawpool Foundation 1 (Pre-school) or Foundation 2 (Reception) class in September 2025 are invited to attend one of our open afternoons in November. Please contact the school office to book your appointment on 0151 648 3412. We look forward to meeting you.

Can you please return any children's society boxes to Jean Heath for counting. They can be returned to St Chad's or St Bartholomew's or to Jean, 'Barnstables', 233 Irby Road, CH61 2XF. If anyone would like them collecting, please phone Jean on 648 6015 to arrange a convenient time.



Guide Dogs Christmas Catalogues are available in church for you to order Christmas Cards, Wrapping Paper, Small gifts etc. Speak to Cheryl for more information.



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PARISH GIVING SCHEME

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



**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.



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

**R N I B**

See differently

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



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.

**SHOPPING LIST**

- TINNED MEAT
- TINNED FISH
- TINNED VEGETABLES (PEAS, CARROTS, SWEETCORN)
- TINNED CUSTARD
- TINNED FRUIT
- JAM
- SHAMPOO
- FEMALE HYGIENE
- TOOTHBRUSHES/PASTE
- DEODORANT



## Are you Experiencing Domestic Abuse?

Freephone  
24 hr Helpline  
0808 2000 247  
Irby Pharmacy is a safe space

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](http://www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding)



**Safeguarding is  
Everyone's  
Responsibility**