

**The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
24th November - Christ the King**



Collect

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, one glory.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good
works, may by you be plenteously rewarded;
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 victims and survivors of abuse and safeguarding teams across the diocese.

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, John Reynolds, Isabelle Vickers, Roy Thomas, Meira Jones-Evans, Sally Felix, Muriel McKie, Joan Stanley (friend of Tina Samson), Teddy David Boote (age 4, Great Nephew of Elizabeth Barton and Joyce Kenworthy), June Bibby, Elizabeth Hall and Baby Erin (granddaughter and great-granddaughter of Margaret and Roy Fordham) and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For the bereaved: Please pray for family and friends of Avril Mercer (funeral 11.30am Nov 29th at Landican) and David Gartlon (funeral 29th Nov) nephew of Mollie Rogers)

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 24th November 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Holy Communion at St Chad's with Junior Church**

**Sun 1st Dec 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts**

**Sun 8th December 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am All Age Worship at St Chad's**

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Old Testament Reading:

Daniel 7:9-10,13-14

⁹ As I watched,
thrones were set in place,
and an Ancient One took his throne;
his clothing was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
and its wheels were burning fire.
¹⁰ A stream of fire issued
and flowed out from his presence.
A thousand thousand served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood
attending him.
The court sat in judgement,
and the books were opened.

¹³ As I watched in the night visions,
I saw one like a human being
coming with the clouds of heaven.
And he came to the Ancient One
and was presented before him.
¹⁴ To him was given dominion
and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

New Testament Reading: Rev 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸ 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

A BOOK FOR ADVENT

"Do Not be afraid" by Rachel Mann

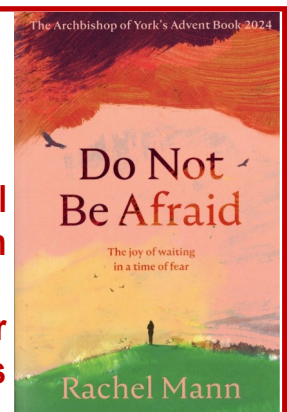
ISBN:978-0-281-09001-3

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: John 18:33-37

All: Glory to you, O Lord

³³ Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' ³⁴ Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' ³⁵ Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' ³⁶ Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' ³⁷ Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Thank you to those who ordered items from the Guide Dog Christmas catalogue. I was able to place an order plus donations for £336.00. Thank you for your support. Cheryl



TABLE TALK FOR CHRISTMAS

All Welcome

11.30am - 12.30pm

at St Chad's

WEDNESDAYS

4th, 11th and 18th Dec

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.

**Would you like to do one of the readings
at the Carol Service
on Sunday 22nd December
(6.00pm Barts)**

**ANYONE IS
WELCOME TO LET
REVD JANE KNOW
IF THIS IS
SOMETHING YOU
WOULD BE WILLING
TO HELP WITH.**



CHURCH ROTAS

We have just produced the rotas for Dec 24 until the end of Feb 2025. We would love to encourage new people to join the rotas during 2025. If you would like to shadow someone to learn what's involved, please speak to Revd Jane.

Become a sidesperson/welcomer, join the coffee team, do a Bible reading, lead the prayers, become a sacristan (preparing communion table before services), become a server (helping with communion), join the flower team, help at Junior Church.

**Your Church NEEDS YOU
and would love to encourage you in
stepping out in faith to take on a new role.**

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
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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



ADVANCED NOTICE OF CHRISTMAS SERVICES



Sun 22nd December

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

10.30am Holy Communion at St Chad's
WITH NATIVITY AND JUNIOR CHURCH

6.00pm Carol Service at St Bartholomew's

Tuesday 24th Dec - Christmas Eve

4.00pm Crib Service at St Bartholomew's

11.15pm First Communion of Christmas

at St Bartholomew's

Wednesday 25th Dec - Christmas Day

10.00am All-Age Communion at St Chad's

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



THANK YOU to all who

have set up regular donations



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. You do not have to arrange the flowers - the flower team can do that for you.

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 **R N I B** bring your used stamps to _____ Church.

See differently

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



Helping the bereaved
find support
ataloss.org

Are you Experiencing Domestic Abuse?

Freephone

24 hr Helpline

0808 2000 247

Irby Pharmacy is a safe space

Thank You



The coffee morning held at Jean's on 26th October raised £712.20 for the children's society, thank you to all those who came and supported the event.



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

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**