The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad Thurstaston and Irby 9th Mar - Lent 1



Collect

Heavenly Father,

your Son battled with the powers of darkness,

and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer

that we may witness to your saving love

in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread,

and enable us to live by every word
that proceeds from out of your mouth;

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 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 Paul Checkland (Leslie Worrall's cousin), Anna Kydd (daughter of Revd Gaynor), Dawn McKenna (sister of Revd Gaynor), Archdeacon Jane, Mike Jones, Beryl Goodall, Brenda Wilson, Brenda Halifax, Phil Hales, John Reynolds, David Peat (Archies brother) and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For baptism families: Clara (23rd March), Rosalie (25th May)

For the bereaved: Families and friends of June Bibby (Funeral 1.30pm Thurs 20th March at St Barts),

Betty Michael (Funeral 10th March - Warrington), Fr Mark Turner - Vicar of Hooton, Betty Rimmer

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 9th March 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

10.30am All Age Service at St Chads

Sun 16th March 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

10.30am Morning Worship at St Barts

Sun 23rd March 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

10.30am Communion with Junior Church at St Chads

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Old Testament Reading: Deut 26:1-11

26 When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, 2 you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. 3 You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' 4 When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, 5 you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. 6 When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, 7 we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. 8 The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹ and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. 10 So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. 11 Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

New Testament Reading: Romans 10:8b - 13

'The word is near you,

on your lips and in your heart'

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹ The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³ For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'



It's what you Can do that counts

Hear all about it

Bring & Buy

refreshments



7.30pm St Chad's hall

ALL PROCEEDS TO RDA

St Chad's Roslin Road, Irby CH61 3UH

Sunday 9th March

Our Old Testament reading includes this verse from Deuteronomy 26:-

"take some of all the firstfruits of what you grow in the land that God, your God, is giving you, put them in a basket and go to the place God, your God, sets apart for you to worship him."

You are invited to bring tins of fruit to the 10.30am service which having been offered to God will then be shared with the Foodbank.



GOSPEL READING: Luke 4:1-13

All: Glory to you, O Lord

4 Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ² where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. ³ The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' 4 Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."

⁵ Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶ And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me. and I give it to anyone I please. 7 If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' 8 Jesus answered him, 'It is written,

"Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."

⁹ Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him. 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰ for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you",

11 and

"On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

¹² Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." ¹³ When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Ned 5th March - Start of Lent:

What is hope?

Ned 12th March - Week 1: Imperfect ij Exploring what hope means context of the Christian faith.

St Chad's Main Hal 11.30am-12.30pm

Exploring how we hold on to hope in lives that are messy and a world that is imperfect.

Exploring the ways joining with others allows us to find hope ourselves and offer hope to those who need it. Wed 19th March - Week 2: Together

Please let Revd Jane

St Chad's Extension

you would

Exploring what it means to trust in the Wed 26th March - Week 3: Trusting even when hope God promises,

hope by noticing signs of what God is Wed 2nd April - Week 4: Noticing Exploring how we can deepen eel uncertain about the future.

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can give us courage to face difficulties Wed 9th April - Week 5: Courage and seek change. Bible

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even the most broken situations. Wed 16th April - Holy Week: Exploring how **Transformed**

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A warm welcome

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 25th March 2025

Ken Pye "Wirral Anecdotes"









Places of Welcome











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

It is becoming increasingly important that

- we reduce the amount of cash and cheques that we handle
- and increase the number of donations made through PGS, standing orders, or using electronic payment devices, etc.

The reason being that the PCC is being charged to bank cash and cheques over a certain limit each month, and we have reached that limit a few times in the last year.

Thank you for taking time to prayerfully consider your donations to church and for all financial support that is received. Your donations enable us to work towards our vision of serving Christ in Thurstaston and Irby.

WONDERFUL NEWS! TESCO IS SUPPORTING US. If you shop in Tesco (Heswall, Pensby and a few others).

please use the blue token to vote for us:-

Thurstaston PCC Warm Hub, Irby vote for us lots of times! mid-January until the end of March.



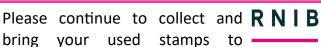
Donations of Flowers for Church: You can make a donation "in memory of", "in celebration of" or just because! Please sign up at the back of church. You do not have to arrange the flowers - the flower team can do that for you.

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.



stamps bring your used to Church.

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





Are you Experiencing Domestic Abuse?

Freephone 24 hr Helpline 0808 2000 247

Irby Pharmacy is a safe space



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

SHOPPING LIST

TINNED MEAT

TINNED FISH

TINNED VEGETABLES (PEAS, CARROTS, SWEETCORN)

TINNED CUSTARD

TINNED FRUIT

JAM

SHAMPOO

FEMALE HYGIENE

TOOTHBRUSHES/PASTE

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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