

The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad Thurstaston and Irby 30th March - Mothering Sunday



Collect

God of love,
passionate and strong,
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Loving God,
as a mother feeds her children at the breast
you feed us in this sacrament with the food and
drink of eternal life:
help us who have tasted your goodness
to grow in grace within the household of faith;
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, especially Charlie and Alfie and for a squadron soon to be deployed.
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), Archdeacon Jane, Mike Jones, Beryl Goodall, Brenda Halifax, Phil Hales, John Reynolds, David Peat (Archies brother), Margaret Fordham, Muriel McKie and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For baptism families: Rosalie (25th May), Grace (24th August)

For wedding couple: Lynne Gamet and Eddie Fewtrell (Wedding Sat 12th April)

For the bereaved: Families and friends of Brenda Wilson (Funeral 10.00am Mon 31st March at Landican), and Joyce Ratcliffe

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 30th March
Mothering Sunday

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts

Sun 6th April

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts

Sun 13th April
Palm Sunday

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am All Age Service at St Chads

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Revd Jane Turner 648 1816 (Day off Tuesday). E-Mail: rector@thurstaston.org.uk

Psalm 34:11-20

- 11 Come, my children, and listen to me; ♦
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
- 12 Who is there who delights in life ♦
and longs for days to enjoy good things?
- 13 Keep your tongue from evil ♦
and your lips from lying words.
- 14 Turn from evil and do good; ♦
seek peace and pursue it.
- 15 The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous ♦
and his ears are open to their cry.
- 16 The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, ♦
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.
- 17 The righteous cry and the Lord hears them ♦
and delivers them out of all their troubles.
- 18 The Lord is near to the brokenhearted ♦
and will save those who are crushed in spirit.
- 19 Many are the troubles of the righteous; ♦
from them all will the Lord deliver them.
- 20 He keeps all their bones, ♦
so that not one of them is broken.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Thursday 17th April
MAUNDY THURSDAY
11.00am Eucharist at
Chester Cathedral
7.00pm Communion
at St Chad's

Friday 18th April
GOOD FRIDAY
2.00pm "Hour at the
Cross" at St Bart's

Sunday 20th April
EASTER DAY
9.00am BCP Communion
at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Communion at
St Bartholomew's

New Testament Reading: Colossians 3:12-17

¹²As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 2:33-35

All: Glory to you, O Lord

³³And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Revelation for Everyone – 24 Weeks!

Every Wednesday from 30th April to 30th July (inclusive)
and 3rd September to 5th November (inclusive)
7.30-9.00pm St Chad's Extension

All Welcome to join in this Bible Study

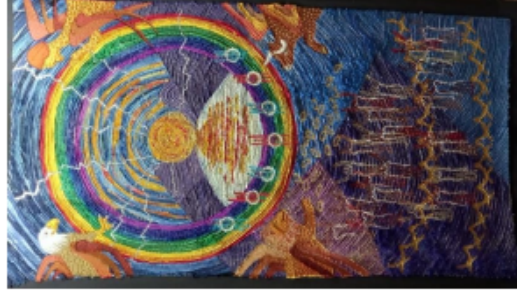
Clearly not everyone would manage every week due to holidays and other commitments, but it would be helpful if you were committed to being at as many sessions as you can.

ISBN: 9780281068654

You will need to buy your own copy of the book.

Putting on this Bible Study was inspired by the group of people who went to the "Threads through the Bible" Exhibition at Liverpool Cathedral in February 2025, who were challenged by the series of embroideries "Threads through Revelation" and wanted to understand more about this book of the Bible.

The Archdeacon of Chester, Mike Gilbertson did his doctoral thesis on the Book of Revelation, and he will be giving us an Overview of the book of Revelation in an introductory session on 30th April and will return at the end of our study (5th November) to answer questions and help us reflect on what we have learned.



Words from the back cover of the Study Book:-

"Many regard Revelation as the hardest book in the New Testament. It is full of strange, lurid, and sometimes bizarre and violent imagery. As a result, people who are quite at home in the Gospels, Acts and Paul's letters find themselves tiptoeing around Revelation with a sense that they don't really belong there. But they do! This book offers one of the clearest and sharpest visions of God's ultimate purpose for the whole creation. Here we see how the powerful forces of evil can be and are being overthrown through the victory of Jesus the Messiah, which continues to inspire and strengthen his followers today."



Saturday 26 April 2-4pm

St Chad's Hall, Roslin Road, Irby CH61 3UH

Baby & Child First Aid course



FIRST AID
"Protect your flock"
Baby & Child First Aid

This course is delivered by Catherine, a fully qualified and insured trainer, level 3 Award in First Aid at Work, First Aid Instructor, Adult and Paediatric, Automated External Defibrillation Instructor, PGCE in Education.

Affordable and accessible paediatric first aid course for parents, expectant parents, grandparents, childcare providers and anyone else who looks after and cares for children 1-12 years old.

Course covers choking, CPR, recovery position, defibrillator, seizures and burns
£25 per person - limited spaces

Book online

www.littlelambsfirstaid.co.uk

There will be refreshments and the opportunity to purchase Catherine's daughter's handmade gorgeous, crocheted animals.

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 22nd April

Jenny Schwarz
"A close look at London's iconic
buildings"



The Warm Hub
belongs to a
growing national
network of
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.

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 **RNIB** 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



Ending hunger
together

Give in Lent

Help support your food bank this Lent

In the six weeks of Lent, the food bank will provide emergency food parcels for local individuals and families facing hardship.

Donate food



Donate an item or two from our shopping list, ensuring we can provide food for people facing hardship in your community.

Donate money



Help to cover the costs of storing and distributing food, as well as developing sustainable projects.

Shopping list

- Tinned meat/fish
- Tinned veg/fruit
- Cooking sauces
- Coffee/tea
- Milk (UHT or powdered)
- Soup/Cup-A-Soup
- Biscuits
- Tinned pudding
- Jam
- Tinned potatoes

0151 638 7090

www.wirral.foodbank.org.uk

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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



**Safeguarding is
Everyone's
Responsibility**