The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad Thurstaston and Irby 26th October - Bible Sunday



Collect

Faithful Lord,

whose steadfast love never ceases

and whose mercies never come to an end:

grant us the grace to trust you

and to receive the gifts of your love,

new every morning,

in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post-Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God,

you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son

and filled us with your Holy Spirit:

may we honour you,

not only with our lips

but in lives dedicated to the service

of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Eternal and loving Christ,

You came not to be served but to serve, and to give your life for those who seek.

We thank you for your servant Sarah as she is called to serve in the role of Archbishop of Canterbury.

Amen

Rest upon her with gentle grace, persistent mercy, and eternal wisdom.

Bless and empower your church, this nation, and, we pray, the Anglican Communion. 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.

For our Church:

Please pray for Rt Revd Sarah Mullally - Archbishop of Canterbury designate

Please pray for victims and survivors of abuse and safeguarding teams across the diocese.

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

Please pray for Revd Ailsa Whorton and The Army Foundation College, Harrogate

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), Phil Hales, John Reynolds, Margaret Fordham, Robin Blythe, June Dean, Joyce Dennison, Muriel McKie, Caroline Cranny and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For baptism families: Elijah and Evelyn (26th October), Jude (23rd Nov), Archer (January) For the bereaved: Family and friends of Tony Bezant (Wednesday 5th November 3pm Landican)

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

Sunday 26th Oct 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

Bible Sunday 10.30am 10.30 am Communion at St Chad's with Junior Church

Sunday 2nd Nov 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

10.30am Holy Communion at St Bart's

6.30pm Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving at St Chad's

Sunday 9th Nov 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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Revd Jane Turner 648 1816 (Day off Tuesday). E-Mail: rector@thurstaston.org.uk

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 45:22-25

- ²² Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.
- ²³ By myself I have sworn, from my mouth has gone forth in righteousness a word that shall not return:

'To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.'

- ²⁴ Only in the LORD, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength;
- all who were incensed against him shall come to him and be ashamed.
- ²⁵ In the LORD all the offspring of Israel shall triumph and glory.

New Testament Reading: Romans 15:1-6

We who are strong ought to put up with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. ² Each of us must please our neighbour for the good purpose of building up the neighbour. ³ For Christ did not please himself; but, as it is written, 'The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.' ⁴ For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵ May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶ so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 4:16-24 All: Glory to you O Lord

¹⁶ When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

because he has anointed me

to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

and recovery of sight to the blind,

to let the oppressed go free,

¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.' ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' ²³ He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum."' ²⁴ And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town.

All: Praise to you, O Christ



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Dawpool Open Morning

We are excited to invite prospective parents and carers to our Open Morning on Wednesday 5th and Thursday 13th November for children due to start in Foundation 1 (Nursery) and Foundation 2 (Reception) in September 2026. Open mornings will be at 9.30am and 11am.

Come along and see our fantastic Early Years setting in action! There will be an opportunity to:

- Tour the learning environments
- Meet our friendly staff
- Ask questions about our curriculum and daily routines
- Learn about how we support children as they begin their school journey

Please contact the school office to book your appointment on 0151 648 3412. We look forward to meeting you.



Thank you

Many Thanks to all who attended the coffee morning in aid of Children's Society on 11th October. Thanks also to the stall holders, helpers and donations received. A total of £760 was raised for the

Society



If you are able to help with the Christmas Bazaar on stalls, set up/put away, baking cakes, donations of raffle prizes, hand crafted items or second hand children's toys (no books or bric-a-brac please) can you please contact

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PARISHGIVINGSCHEME

SUPPORTING ST BARTHOLOMEW'S AND ST CHAD'S CHURCHES

Donations to the churches are essential for us to maintain the buildings and contents, and continue our mission in Irby and Thurstaston.

One off donations can be made by putting cash on the plate, or by using this QR code with your mobile phone to access The Parish Giving Scheme.



We also welcome new regular givers through the same QR Code. You can make monthly donations which are backed by the direct debit guarantee and can be inflation linked if you so wish.

If you prefer to set up your donations using a paper form or via the website, please ask the minister or the sidespeople, who will be able to give you a pack containing all the information you need including "Frequently Asked Questions".

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.

RNIB request that, if possible, See differently 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

P warm welcome

for all

Warm Hub

Guest Speaker Event this month Tuesday 28th October

Wirral Foodbank

Open to everyone, so please drop in!

St. Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irby CH61 3UH 0151 648 8169

Tuesdays 9.30a.m.-12.30p.m.











Refreshments, free WIFI, disabled access

and a chance to chat with friends.



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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

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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