

The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad

Thurstaston and Irby

11th October – Trinity 19



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.

Amen

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

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK – PLEASE PRAY FOR

Our Community:

- all who serve us in our local community, for local businesses and community groups
- Schools and other places of education, and those who work and study there.

Our Church:

- those exploring faith through the Christianity Explored course
- victims and survivors of abuse and safeguarding teams across the diocese
- Archbishops Sarah & Stephen, Bishops Mark, Julie & Sam, Archdeacons Mike & Jane
- Revd Ailsa Whorton and The Army Foundation College, Harrogate
- Revd Malcolm Cowan and others serving in the Chaplaincy department of the hospital

The World:

- all countries of the world where people suffer from war, natural disasters and the effects of climate change

The Sick:

- Joseph Dacosta, Barbara Whitehead, Pete Higgins, Meira Jones-Evans, Roger Jackson and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

Wedding couples: Joe and Chloe, Keiran and Emily, Jamie and Issy, Ben and Elizabeth

The bereaved:

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 11th Oct **9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's**
 10.30am All Age service St Chad's

Sunday 18th Oct **9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's**
 10.30am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew's
 4.00pm Pop Up Church at St Chad's

Sunday 25th Oct **9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's**
 10.30am Holy Communion with Junior church at St Chads

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Website: www.thurstaston.org.uk E-Mail: office@thurstaston.org.uk

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

Parish Safeguarding Contact Details: safeguarding@thurstaston.org.uk or telephone 648 6691

Old Testament Reading: Is 25:1-9

25 O LORD, you are my God;

I will exalt you, I will praise your name;
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

² For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;

the palace of aliens is a city no more,
it will never be rebuilt.

³ Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.

⁴ For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade
from the heat.

When the blast of the ruthless was like a
winter rainstorm,

⁵ the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place,
you subdued the heat with the shade of
clouds;
the song of the ruthless was stilled.

6 On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make
for all peoples

a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured
wines,

of rich food filled with marrow, of well-
matured wines strained clear.

7 And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

8 he will swallow up death for ever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears
from all faces,

and the disgrace of his people he will take
away from all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.

9 It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him,
so that he might save us.

This is the LORD for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

New Testament Reading: Phil 4:1-9

4 ¹ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

² I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³ Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

GOSPEL READING: Matt 22:1-14

All: Glory to you O Lord

22 Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ² 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." ⁵ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged.

He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." ¹⁰ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹ But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹² and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

RNLI CHRISTMAS CATALOGUES are available in church for you to order Christmas Cards, Calendars, Small gifts etc. Speak to Cheryl for more information.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOX COLLECTION: 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, then please phone Jean on 648 6015 to arrange a convenient time

PRISON'S WEEK 11th-17th October. Prayer diary available from <https://www.prisonsworld.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/PrisonsWeek-YoureInvited-ForPrint.pdf> Thank you for the many donations that have been received for Styal Prison.

COFFEE MORNING FOR THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: Saturday 17th October 2026 10am - 12.00pm at 'Barnstables', 233 Irby Road. All Welcome. Cake Stall, Bring & Buy, Craft Stall, Raffle, Shoe-B-do etc

POTTERY PAINTING AT THE POTTERY SHED (Hoylake): Saturday 17th October 1-5pm. More details in Crosstalk (Page 13). Contact Jayne Oliver to book your place.

IRBY METHODIST CHURCH celebrating 90 years in the current building – See poster in church for all events including Sat 17th Oct 2pm "Sing Me Merseyside Choir" , Tickets £5 including refreshments (or pay on the door), Doors open 1.30pm

POP UP CHURCH: 18th Oct 4pm at St Chad's. An hour of fun for the whole family including ISingPop songs, crafts and games. Followed by a Picnic in the Hall (bring your own). This month will be focussed on Harvest so if you would like to bring a gift for Foodbank, you are welcome to do so.

PUMPKIN PARTY: Sat 31st Oct 6.00-7.30pm at St Chad's. Email office@thurstaston.org.uk to book your place. Family fun. Pumpkin crafts, Treats and a campfire.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND THANKSGIVING – Sun 1st Nov 4pm. More details in Crosstalk (Page 7) – Please pass on the details to anyone you know who has been bereaved.

OXTON MEN'S CHARITY DINNER 13th November. Guest Speaker – Bishop of Chester, Rt Revd Mark Tanner. More details in Crosstalk (page 8) or from their website: www.oxtonmensdinner.com

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR (14th Nov 1.00-3.30pm) If you are able to help on stalls, set up/put away, baking cakes, donations of raffle prizes, second hand children's toys and hand-crafted items (no books or bric-a-brac please) can you please contact Julie DeBoorder email: jules2121jule@gmail.com Mobile: 07599186893

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.



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**

Are you Experiencing Domestic Abuse?

Freephone
24 hr Helpline
0808 2000 247

Irby Pharmacy is a safe space

Please continue to collect and bring your used stamps to Church. RNIB request that, if possible, you leave 1cm of envelope around the stamp. Thank you for your continued support. Jean Heath



Wirral Foodbank is 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



PARISH GIVING SCHEME

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".

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**

**There are a range of activities including
quizzes, Games, jigsaws,
Crosswords etc**

27th October 2026

Jim Holmes

'English breakfast and the Story of Ceylon tea'.

All free of charge



Member of Places of Welcome



Member of Warm welcome Spaces

