

**The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad  
Thurstaston and Irby  
12th May - Easter 7**



**Collect**

Risen, ascended Lord,  
as we rejoice at your triumph,  
fill your Church on earth with power and  
compassion,  
that all who are estranged by sin  
may find forgiveness and know your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.  
Amen

**Post-Communion Prayer**

Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
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 Bishops Mark; Julie and Sam, & Archdeacon Mike  
Please pray for Revd Ailsa Whorton and 1st The Queen's Dragoon Guards - Specific requests for Sean and Alfie  
Please pray for Revd Malcolm Cowan and others who serve in the Chaplaincy department of the hospital  
Please pray for those preparing for confirmation - Annabelle, Diane and Emma  
Please pray for children and young people preparing for and taking exams

**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, Jane Fellows (Dot Turner's daughter), John Reynolds, Baby Isabelle Vickers, Roy Thomas, Kate Butler, Meira Jones-Evans, Sally Felix, Revd Ailsa Whorton (having heart operation on 10th June) and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

**For the Bereaved:** Families and friends of Brian Jones (Funeral 11.30am Mon 20th May at St Bartholomew's) and Mike Paddon (Funeral 2.45pm Wed 29th May at St Bartholomew's)

**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 12th May** 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's  
10.30am All-Age service at St Chad's
- Sun 19th May** 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's  
10.30am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew's
- Sun 26th May** 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's  
10.30am Holy Communion with Junior Church at St Chad's  
3.00pm Baptism of Tabitha at St Bartholomew's

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

## **New Testament Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26**

<sup>15</sup>In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, <sup>16</sup>'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—  
<sup>17</sup>for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.'

<sup>21</sup>So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us— one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.'<sup>23</sup> So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.'<sup>26</sup> And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

## **New Testament Reading: 1 John 5:9-13**

<sup>9</sup>If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. <sup>10</sup>Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. <sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup>Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

<sup>13</sup>I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

## **GOSPEL READING: John 17:6-19**

### **All: Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>6</sup>'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup>But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup>I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

### **All: Praise to you, O Christ**

## Recognition of Graham Barley's service to PCC for 40 years - Chair Fund

At the APCM on Sunday 28th April we held a minutes silence in memory and thanksgiving for Graham and the following announcement was made:-

*"If Graham had retired as PCC secretary after 40 years of service, we would have thanked him with a gift. The PCC wish to recognise Graham's service, and following conversation with Linda and the family, and recognising Graham's commitment to practical things, we would like to replace the green chairs here in St Chad's. We anticipate that this will cost approximately £2000.00 and are going to open a dedicated fund in memory of Graham to allow us to do this. The fund will close once the new chairs are bought."*

The PCC is committed to this and would be grateful to receive any donations from congregation members who also wish to mark their gratitude for Graham's friendship and gifts given over many years in service of our church.

Any donations should be given to the parish office.

Your cash or cheque donation should be placed in an envelope marked "Chair Fund"

You can donate by BACS transfer (followed by email to the office) indicating that it is for the "Chair Fund"

If we receive more than £2000.00, we will look to buy more chairs or replace some of the broken blue ones as well.

### Donations of Flowers for Church

You can make a donation  
"in memory of", "in celebration of",  
or just because you like seeing flowers in church!

Please sign up at the back of church.

**The money for your donation should be given to the parish office.**

Your **cash or cheque** donation should be placed in an envelope with your contact details and the date that you have signed up for.

You can donate by **BACS transfer** (followed by email to the office stating the amount you have donated and the date that you have signed up for.) indicating that it is for the Flower Fund.



### Ness Gardens Saturday 11th May

This was a lovely outing last year in June, so we have repeated it, but in May for a change of vista and climate, we were melting last time!

Enjoy the company and a stroll around the beautiful gardens, take picnics or use the excellent café, up to you. We will meet in St Chad's carpark at 10 am and car share. We plan to leave the gardens around 3.30/4pm. See poster for details of costing.

To book a place please contact **Pat Neil**, please say whether you will offer to drive or if you require a lift.

Please contact **Pat Neil** in church or via email [pat.neil@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:pat.neil@hotmail.co.uk) or tel: 07761942566

# 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 28th May 2024**

**Mary Ward,**  
(a historian who used to live in Irby) An  
illustrated talk on the history of Irby and  
Thurstaston.



The Warm Hub

belongs to a

growing national network



## ORDINATION OF GAYNOR KYDD

10.30am Sunday 30th June  
at Chester Cathedral

Following her ordination as deacon, Gaynor will be a part time (1.5 days a week, plus Sunday mornings) NSM (non stipendiary minister) in our parish. Anyone wishing to attend the Ordination Service (which will be approximately an hour and three quarters long) should let Revd Jane know ASAP. There is no guarantee of seats being available and there will be the option of viewing the service from home via the Cathedral's Youtube.

**Christian Aid Coffee Morning on Saturday 18th May between 10am and 12 noon at Irby Methodist Church.** Refreshments including toast, teacakes and biscuits (Gluten free available). Possibly a small cake stall. Concluding with a short time of prayer. Everyone welcome. There will be envelopes available and Gift Aid form.

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



Please continue to collect and bring your used stamps to Church. **RNIB**

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



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.

Items we urgently need are:

- \* Tinned Fish
- \* Tinned Meat
- \* Tinned Vegetables  
Peas, Carrots, Sweetcorn
- \* UHT Milk
- \* Tinned Rice Pudding
- \* Tinned Fruit
- \* Tinned Tomatoes
- \* Tinned Potatoes
- \* Deodorant
- \* Shampoo



### Are you Experiencing Domestic Abuse?

Freephone  
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](http://www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding)



**Safeguarding is  
Everyone's  
Responsibility**