

The Churches of St Bartholomew & St Chad Thurstaston and Irby



Welcome to Church today, we hope that you enjoy the service,
and gain a sense of God's presence with us.

Sunday 20th February 2011 - 3rd Sunday before Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Morning Worship	St Chad's
11.15pm	Holy Communion	St Bart's
6.30pm	Evening Worship	St Bart's

Next Weeks Services

Mid-week Service

10.15am	Holy Communion	St Chad's Wednesday
27th February - 2nd Sunday before Lent		
8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Family Communion	St Chad's
11.15pm	Baptism	St Bart's
6.30pm	Holy Communion	St Bart's

Sunday School at St Chad's
Children from age 2½ can attend.
There are activity bags available
for children under the age of 2½.
In case you feel the need to remove
your child from the service, please
note that there is also a box of toys
and cushions in the foyer

Notices and announcements!!!

You've Got the Time: Listen to the whole New Testament

Can you find 28 minutes a day during Lent (beginning on Ash Wednesday - 9th March) to listen to the whole New Testament? The Bible Society in conjunction with Riding Lights Theatre Group have recorded 40 mp3 files which can be downloaded from http://www.biblesociety.org.uk/products/1359/49/you_ve_got_the_time_audio_files/. There are some pledge cards at the back of church and if you are going to take part, it would be really helpful if you could fill one in and place it in the offertory at any service over the coming weeks. There is also a 40-day listening plan that you can take away to tick off each day as you listen. Once a week during Lent there will also be the opportunity to gather together with others to discuss and share your thoughts.

St Bartholomew's garden Donations of flowers and plants are needed. Please add your name to form at the back of church if you can help. Cash donations welcomed.

Electoral Roll Revised Electoral Roll now being displayed. The roll will be revised by Saturday 26th February. Current members need take no action, except to check details are correct. Anyone wishing to be added to the roll must be resident within the parish, or be a regular attendee at worship. Please complete an application form and return to John Roberts c/o the parish office.

Thursday 3rd March M.U. Catherine Thursby 'African Adventure', 2.15pm at St Chad's.

Women's World Day of Prayer 'Praying for Chile', 7.30pm on Friday 4th March at St Chad's. Speaker, Revd Jane Turner.

Saturday 5th March Afternoon Tea for Bereaved Families, 2.00 - 3.30pm at St Chad's.

The Children's Society collection will take place between 26th March & 9th April. Please contact Jean Heath, 648 6015, Elaine Kavanagh, 648 1721 or Barbara Kozler, 648 3523 if you are able to help delivering and/or collecting envelopes.

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Gospel Reading: (Matt 5:38-48)

All : Glory to you, O Lord

On the mountain, Jesus continued to teach his disciples.

38‘You have heard that it was said, “An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.”

39But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also;

40and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well;

41and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile.

42Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you.

43You have heard that it was said, “You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.”

44But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,

45so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous.

46For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax-collectors do the same?

47And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?

48Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.’

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

Eternal God,
whose Son went among the crowds
and brought healing with his touch:
help us to show his love,
in your Church as we gather together,
and by our lives as they are transformed
into the image of Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,
who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life,
that those who come to him should never hunger:
draw us to the Lord in faith and love,
that we may eat and drink with him
at his table in the kingdom,
where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen

**Readings for
Today**

Lev 19:1-2,9-18
1 Cor 3:10-11,16-23
Matt 5:38-48

**Readings for
27th February**

Gen 1:1-2:3
Rom 8:18-25
Matt 6:25-34

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the parish: Please pray for Kaylin Lamb to be baptised at St Bartholomew's next week.

For the sick: We continue to pray for Les Howard, Finlay Joyce, Andy Kemp, Lucy Bailey, Anita Fath, Diana Martyn, Bethan Shone, and Dorothy Mansbridge.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Llandaff - Wales

The Most Revd Dr. Barry Cennydd Morgan
Archbishop of Wales & Bishop of Llandaff; The
Rt Revd David Yeoman (Llandaff).

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

**Chester Saint Oswald and Saint Thomas of
Canterbury**

Peter Walsh, Hugh Linn (Honorary Assistant);
Keith Allen, Hugh Jones (Readers).