

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 15th May 2011 - Easter 4

8.00am Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am Baptism	St Chad's
11.15am Holy Communion	St Bart's
4.00pm Christian Aid Service	St Chad's
6.30pm No Service	St Bart's

Next Weeks Services

Wednesday Mid-week Service

10.15am Holy Communion	St Chad's
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Sunday 22nd May - Easter 5

8.00am Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am Family Communion	St Chad's
11.15am Baptism	St Bart's
6.30pm Holy Communion	St Bart's

Junior Church 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

Would you like to receive
this notice sheet every week
direct to your e-mail in-
box? If so, please send an
e-mail request to the
parish office

Notices and announcements!!!

Summer Fair We are hoping to hold a summer fair this year, with potential dates being 11th or 25th June. If anyone is willing to organise this event could they please speak to Revd Jane or Patsy Brady.

Jan Trigg is running the Edinburgh Marathon on 22nd May. She is raising money for the 'The Prince's Trust'. If you would like to support Jan by sponsoring her, please complete the form at the back of church or contact Jan direct on 648 1245 or at janet.trigg@wmc.ac.uk

Dave Wolstencroft is walking for Clatterbridge Cancer Research in memory of his dad at Wirral Coastal walk on 22nd May. A sponsor form is available at the back of church or contact Wendy on 929 5778.

Sophie will also be walking with the Brownies.

Sally Lang would like to thank everyone for their very kind donations towards the garden at St Bart's. We raised £248.00, all of which was used in the garden. It is now finished, and looks quite splendid, and has been much admired by all. Sally would also like to thank the "Gardening Group" all of whom gave up a substantial amount of time to make it all happen.

Thursday 19th May M.U. Diocesan Festival, 11.00am at Chester Cathedral.

Thursday 19th May "Wellspring" at the Rectory 8.00-9.00pm.

Saturday 21st May Men's Breakfast at Maluca Café, Irby 9.00-10.00am.

Saturday 21st May Soup luncheon for Christian Aid at Irby Methodist Church, 12.30 - 2.30pm.

Tickets £3.00, available from Lesley Worrall, payable in advance. Donations of cakes will be appreciated.

Ascension Day Service June 2nd 7.00pm St Chad's followed by Bring and Share Supper

Please do come if you can. Please bring something to share (savoury or sweet), if everyone brings enough for four people, then we will have more than enough!

My Family - Helping it Survive and thrive Wed 8th June, Liverpool, Tickets £7.50

More details at www.careforthefamily.org.uk/myfamily. This is an evening with Rob Parsons who is an excellent speaker and if organised by "Care for the Family"

You and your congregation are invited to the launch of "Diamonds in the Darkness" written by the late Revd Dr Pat Nickson OBE, at St Mary's Church, Upton 7.30pm on Tuesday 24th May 2011.

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Gospel Reading: (John 10:1-10)

All : Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said to the Pharisees:

1‘Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit.

2The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep.

3The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.

4When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice.

5They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.’

6Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

7So again Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep.

8All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them.

9I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture.

10The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.’

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father’s sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Readings for Today

Gen 7
Acts 2:42-47
John 10:1-10

Readings for 22nd May

Gen 8:1-19
Acts 7:55-60
John 14:1-14

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the parish: Please pray for Isabelle Ledson to be baptised at St Chad’s today and her family. Please pray for David Cederholm & Kate Hickson, Andrew Rannard & Michelle Wallis and Andrew Ramsden & Ciara O’Sullivan all having their banns read at St Bartholomew’s today. Please pray for Imogen Burton to be baptised at St Bartholomew’s next week.

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

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

North Carolina - (Province IV, USA)

The Rt Revd Michael Bruce Curry; The Rt Revd James Gary Gloster (Suffragan Bishop of North Carolina); The Rt Revd Mark Lawrence (South Carolina).

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Wallasey Saint Nicholas

Jeff Staples, Paul Rossiter, David Lamb:Louise Jones (Reader).