

# 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 9th February 2014 - 4th Sunday before Lent

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

### Next Weeks Services

#### Mid-week Service

10.15am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
<b>Sunday 16th February - 3rd Sunday before Lent</b>		
8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Morning Worship	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	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!!!

**World Leprosy Day** Thanks to the generosity of the congregation at St Bartholomew's on Sunday 2nd February, I was able to send a cheque to The Leprosy Mission for £44.41. Leprosy collection boxes for your loose change are available from Pat Hulme, 648 1827.

**Calligraphy:** Do you (or someone you know) do Calligraphy? The lady who has done the entries in our Book of Remembrance for the past 8 years, has a new job and is no longer able to do it for us. We need someone who could write up three or four names every two to three months. It's not a large commitment and Revd Jane would be very grateful to hear from anyone who can help in this way.

**Thank You** on behalf of the gardening team to the one person who has kept the garden at St Bart's looking beautiful throughout the Winter, so a big thank you to Brian Jones.

**Parish Outing** to Lichfield Cathedral and The National Memorial Arboretum on Tuesday 17th June 2014. Everyone welcome. Cost £15.00. More details in the parish magazine. Book your place ASAP. Give your name and a non-refundable £5.00 deposit to Leslie Worrall or Alan Jones, or put in an envelope and deliver to the Parish Office.

**The February Magazine** is now available at the back of church. If you have your magazine delivered, subscriptions for 2014 are now due. See magazine for how to pay. If you do not have a magazine delivered, then please pick up a copy or contact the office (648 8169), to arrange to have it delivered. It is full of information about forthcoming events and interesting articles. Only 40p.

**'Wellspring'** Monday 17th February 8pm at The Rectory. An opportunity to listen to God and to pray.

**PCC Meeting** The next scheduled meeting of the PCC will be on Monday 10th February, 7.30pm at St Chad's. If you have any items of concern or questions about the life of the church, that you would like the PCC to consider, please speak to Revd Jane or any member of the PCC.

**Sunday 2nd March St Chad's Day** Special services to celebrate our patron saint at **10.30am** at St Chad's and **11.15am** at St Bartholomew's. Please join us for a 'Bring & Share' lunch at **12.30pm** at St Chad's. 8.00am service as usual. There will be no evening service. (There will be family games/crafts at St Chad's between 10.30 service and lunch so there is no need for people to go home in-between).

**Commemorating 100 years** since the beginning of World War 1 on Saturday 12th July at St Chad's. There will be:- Displays of artwork, information about the men recorded on our War Memorial, a family history enquiry table, a display about "Animals in the War", refreshments. More information in the parish magazine.

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## Gospel Readings: (Matt 5:13-20)

All :Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus went up the mountain and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to teach them: 13‘You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

14You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. 15No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

17Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil.

18For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished.

19Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. 20For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.’

All: Praise to you, O Christ

### FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**From General Synod:** The General Synod meets for three days from Monday 10th - Wednesday 12th February. During this time the Archbishops of Canterbury and York would like to encourage people throughout the Dioceses and parishes to pray for the work and life of the General Synod. An outline of the agenda items are below.

**Monday 10 February** Presentation by the Ethical Investment Advisory Group. Gender-Based Violence debate.

**Tuesday 11 February** Further work on legislation for Women in the Episcopate

**Wednesday 12 February** Presidential Address by Archbishop of Canterbury. Private Member’s Motion on Girl Guiding. Presentation on Human Sexuality. Diocesan Synod Motion on Environmental Issues .

*For podcasts, videos and to view a live web stream of the proceedings of General Synod, please visit: [www.churchofengland.org/media-centre](http://www.churchofengland.org/media-centre)*

### Collect

Lord of the hosts of heaven,  
our salvation and our strength,  
without you we are lost:  
guard us from all that harms or hurts  
and raise us when we fall;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

### Post Communion Prayer

Go before us, Lord, in all we do  
with your most gracious favour,  
and guide us with your continual help,  
that in all our works  
begun, continued and ended in you,  
we may glorify your holy name,  
and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

### Readings for Today

Is 58:1-9a  
1 Cor 2:1-12  
Matt 5:13-20

### Readings for 16th February

Deut 30:15-20  
1 Cor 3:1-9  
Matt 5:21-37

### FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**For the World:** Please pray for the people of Jakarta, Indonesia after the eruption of the volcano Mount Sinabung which killed 14 people. Please pray for people in the UK, after homes and communities are devastated by flooding.

**For the sick:** Please continue to pray for Margaret Mude and Betty Withy. Please pray for those in hospital.

#### From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Archbishop Frederick Hiltz, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada.

#### From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Pray for all local magistrates, especially those known to you.

Gracious God,

We pray for peace in our communities this day.

We commit to you all who work for peace and an end to tensions,

And those who work to uphold law and justice.

We pray for an end to fear,

For comfort and support to those who suffer.

For calm in our streets and cities,

That people may go about their lives in safety and peace.

In your mercy, hear our prayers,

now and always. Amen