

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 23rd February 2014 - Sunday before Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Family Communion	St Chad's
11.15am	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
Sunday 2nd March - St Chad's Day		
8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
10.30am	Family Service	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bart's

No 6.30pm Service

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!!!

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).

News in brief from PCC Away Day: Your PCC is committed to seeing numerical and spiritual growth within our congregations. A couple of PCC members will be putting together a questionnaire over the next month or so. The aim is to help the PCC find the best ways for us to achieve this. If there is anyone within the congregation who would like to work alongside these PCC Members in getting the right questions and the best wording, then please speak to either Revd Jane, Andrew Harford or Roger Dennison.

Electoral Roll: The Church Electoral roll is a list of people who consider themselves to belong to our church. Every 6 years this list has to be wiped clean and we start again with a clean sheet of paper. Last year was the start again point. Many of our regular members failed to fill in the form and are therefore not currently on our electoral roll. NOW is the time to remedy that. The existing roll is being displayed on the notice board and forms are available at the back of church. Please check if you are on the roll and IF NOT fill in a form by 16th March! More info will be in the March magazine.

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.

Men's Breakfast Saturday 1st March 8.45-9.45am at Aroma Café, Irby.

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.

Church Office: Mrs C Rostock, St Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irby, CH61 3UH
Church Office open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9.30am-12.30pm (term time) Tel 648 8169
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

Gospel Readings: (Matt 6:25-34)

All :Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus taught his disciples, saying: 25‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? 26Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? 27And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? 28And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, 29yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. 30But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you— you of little faith? 31Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” 32For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. 34So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.’

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

Almighty God,
give us reverence for all creation
and respect for every person,
that we may mirror your likeness
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator,
by your gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly
paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:
may we who have been nourished at your table on
earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour’s cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Readings for Today

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

Readings for 2nd March

1 Tim 6:11b-16
Luke 14:7-11

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please continue to pray for the people affected by flooding around the UK.

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

For the bereaved: Please pray for the family & friends of Nora Davies.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Archbishop Armando Guerra Soria Primate of IARCA & Bishop of Guatemala.

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Pray for Bishops Keith and Robert and members of the Parish Development Team as they prepare and deliver the GAP4 launch sessions.

Advanced Notice of
Lent, Holy Week and Easter Special Services

Ash Wednesday 5th March

7.30pm Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

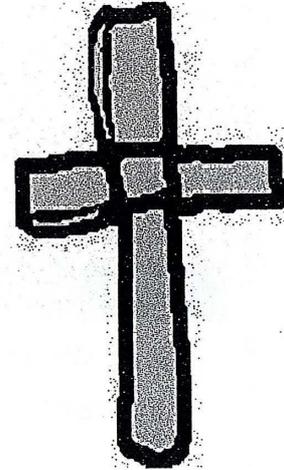
Palm Sunday 13th April

8.00am BCP Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

9.30am Family Communion at St Chad's

11.15am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

6.30pm Taize Service at St Chad's



Maundy Thursday 17th April

7.30pm Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

There is also a service at 11.00am at Chester Cathedral

Good Friday 18th April

10.00-11.30am Easter Journey Experience at St Chad's

Lots of fun things to do and make: Everyone will travel together on a journey around the building with crafts, activities and stories taking us on a journey from Palm Sunday through to Easter Day

10.00am Short Morning Service in St Chad's Extension

2.00pm "Hour at the Cross"

Meditative Service at St. Bartholomew's

Easter Day 20th April

8.00am BCP Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

9.30am Family Communion at St Chad's

11.15am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

NO Evening Service

Sunday 27th April (Sunday After Easter)

8.00am BCP Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

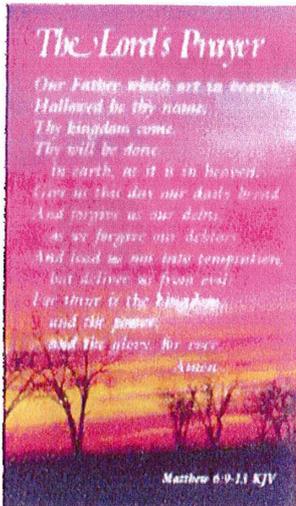
9.30am Morning Worship at St Chad's

11.15am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

NO Evening Service

*Easter...
Christ is risen!*





The Lord's Prayer

Take a closer
look during Lent
Thursday
Evenings
8.00-9.00pm
St Chad's

Over six weeks we will explore each
powerful line of the Lord's Prayer

March 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, April 3rd and 10th



12noon Thurs 20th Mar
at the Rectory
(77 Thingwall Rd)
Donations please
profit to
"REACH for Rwanda"

There may be others
But dates not yet fixed.
Watch this space!

A Lenten Prayer Resource

Visit www.chester.anglican.org from Ash
Wednesday (5th March). You will find
there "Lent 2014: Following Jesus" – a
daily-changing meditation on Matthew's
gospel, written by Loveday Alexander,
Canon Theologian at Chester Cathedral.
Read it daily – you'll see the link to it on
the right hand side of the home page.

Dads 'n' Kids Craft Morning
Saturday 29th March
St Chad's 10.00am-12noon

Leave Mum at home for some peace

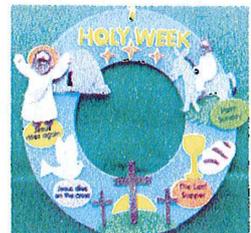


Come and Make things
For Mothering Sunday.

Mothering Sunday – 30th March
For details of Services see the Back Cover of the Magazine

Easter Journey Experience

Good Friday
18th April
10.00-11.30am
St Chad's



Lots of fun things
to do and make

Everyone will travel together on a journey
around the building with crafts, activities
and stories taking us on a journey from
Palm Sunday through to Easter Day.