

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 4th May 2014 - Easter 3

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Family Service	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bart's

Next Weeks Services

Mid-week Service

10.15am Wed	Holy Communion	St Chad's
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Sunday 11th May - Easter 4

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
11.15am	Morning Worship	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!!!

Parish Outing All money for Lichfield Cathedral trip needs to be paid to Leslie Worrall or Alan Jones by the end of May.

Thank You I would like to thank everyone for all their support, letters (I didn't realise that people still wrote letters !!) and cards. It has been such an enormous comfort. Life for me has somewhat diminished in time, and I hope that your prayers will help me have a peaceful and pain free end. To all, may God bless you and Thank you. Love Sally Lang xx.

Easter Exhibition of Arts and Crafts inspired by faith in the risen Christ (9th April-31st May) at Voirrey Crafts Ltd, Brimstage Hall Courtyard, Brimstage Lane, Wirral, CH63 6JA. There are 25 exhibits from members of our church, so do go along and have a look.

Parish Walk to Hilbre Island on Sat 10th May Full details in the parish mag. Please sign the list at the back if you intend to come.

Men's Breakfast Saturday 10th May, 8.45-9.45am at Aroma Café, Irby.

Wirral Coastal Walk Sunday 11th May. Raise funds for your church. For sponsorship forms: coastalwalk@vcawirral.org.uk

Saturday 17th May Christian Aid Coffee Morning at Irby Methodist Church Hall, 10am-12noon. Entrance £3, including refreshments. Cake stall, bring & buy stall, fair trade stall and raffle. PLEASE BRING A DONATION FOR THE CAKE STALL IF POSSIBLE. All very welcome.

Wellspring Monday 19th May, 8pm at The Rectory. An opportunity to Listen to God and to Pray.

EMU Wednesday 21st May 8pm at St Chad's. Provisionally, Wendy Poole with clothing and accessories from Dress to Impress Clothing. All Welcome.

Confirmation - Is it for YOU? We have a confirmation preparation course planned - due to begin on Sunday 25th May and a Confirmation Service on 14th Sept 2014. If you would like to join the three adults (two of whom also need to be baptised) already committed then please speak to Rev'd Jane Turner as soon as possible (648 1816).

Please join us to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Ordination of Simon Beckley & Joe Edwardson on Saturday

7th June 2014 In order to ensure that we know how many people we need to get into St Bart's for the service and therefore how many people to cater for, **You will need a Ticket!** Tickets available from the parish office or from Leslie Worrall (at 9.30am services) or Alan Jones (at 11.15am services) or Laurie Kingsbury (at 8.00am services). Please see parish magazine for more information.

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.

The May Magazine is now available at the back of church.

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Gospel Reading: (Luke 24:13-35)

All :Glory to you, O Lord

13On that same day, two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, 16but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. 17And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. 18Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' 19Jesus asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. 21But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. 22Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, 23and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. 24Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see Jesus.' 25Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! 26Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' 27Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. 28As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. 29But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. 30When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized Jesus; and he vanished from their sight. 32They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' 33That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. 34They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' 35Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life
and fill us with your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen

Readings for Today

Zeph 3:14-20
Acts 2:14a,36-41
Luke 24:13-35

Readings for 11th May

Acts 2:42-47
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for the family & friends of Ann Maguire, the school teacher so tragically killed in the classroom.

For the parish: Please pray for all young people taking exams at this time.

For the sick: Please continue to pray for Tricia O'Brien, Sally Lang & Mike Bennett. Please pray for those in hospital.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Archbishop Eliud Wabukala, Primate and Archbishop of All Kenya

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Gracious God, who through your perfect love created women and men to reflect your abundant nature: continue to pour out your life-affirming Spirit upon all who serve within the whole priesthood of your holy church, that together they may reconcile what is divided, heal what is wounded and restore what is lost, through Jesus Christ. Amen.