

**The Churches of  
St Bartholomew and St Chad  
Thurstaston and Irby  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> January– Baptism of Christ or Epiphany 1**



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

**Children are Welcome at our Services**

**In St Chad's**, we have activity bags available and there is also a box of toys and cushions in the foyer, in case you feel your child would be happier playing there.

**In St Bartholomew's**, there are some colouring sheets and toys at the back of church.

**Children from age 2½ can attend Junior Church (term time) at St Chad's**

**Collect for today**

Heavenly Father,  
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus  
as your Son:  
may we recognize him as our Lord  
and know ourselves to be your  
beloved children;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

*Amen*

**Post-Communion Prayer**

Lord of all time and eternity,  
you opened the heavens and  
revealed yourself as Father  
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved  
Son:  
by the power of your Spirit  
complete the heavenly work of our  
rebirth  
through the waters of the new  
creation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

**FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**For the World:** Please pray for peace around the World.

**For the sick:** Please continue to pray for Frank Rimmer.

Please pray for those in hospital.

**For our parish:** Please pray for Revd Jane on her sabbatical and for visiting clergy who will minister to us during the next three months.

**From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:**

Archbishop Philip Leslie Freier Archbishop of Melbourne & Primate of Australia

**From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:**

Pray for those beginning to dig and seed their farmlands, allotments and gardens, and for those waiting for a way in to better times.

## Services TODAY – Baptism of Christ or Epiphany 1

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30 am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
11.15am	Morning Worship	St Bartholomew's

## Services next week

### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January (Mid-week service)

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January – Epiphany 2

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

## Notices and Announcement

### •Riding for the Disabled Association

We should be grateful if everyone could remember to save their stamps and put them in the box in St Chad's foyer and envelope at the back of St Bart's. Jean Heath.

•**SOSO** Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> January, 8pm at St Chad's.

•**Mothers' Union (EMU)** to meet on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January (**NOTE NEW DATE**) for 10 pin bowling, 8pm at Bromborough. Non-members welcome. Please speak to Chris Rostock, Julie DeBoorder or Jayne Oliver if you would like to c

•**Giving by Text.** We are now registered with Just Giving, so if you would like to make a donation to Church by text then all you need to do is text "BART16" and the amount you wish to give to 70070. e.g. text BART16£10 to give ten pounds.

•**Wellspring** Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January 8pm to be held at Muriel McKie's, 17 Roslin Road Irby or St Chad's (to be confirmed next week).

Would you like to receive this notice sheet every week direct to your email in-box? If so, please send an email request to the parish office ([office@thurstaston.org.uk](mailto:office@thurstaston.org.uk))

## GOSPEL READING: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

**All: Glory to you, O Lord**

15 As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah,\* <sup>16</sup>John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with\* the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

21 Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved;\* with you I am well pleased.'

**All: Praise to you, O Christ**

Readings for Today	Readings for 17 <sup>th</sup> January
Is 43:1-7	Is 62:1-5
Acts 8:14-17	1 Cor 12:1-11
Luke 3:15-17,21-22	John 2:1-11

Church Office: Mrs C Rostock, St Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irby, CH61 3UH

Open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9.30am-12.30pm (term time)

Tel 648 8169. Website: [www.thurstaston.org.uk](http://www.thurstaston.org.uk) E-Mail: [office@thurstaston.org.uk](mailto:office@thurstaston.org.uk)

Revd Jane Turner 648 1816 (Day off Tuesday). E-Mail: [rector@thurstaston.org.uk](mailto:rector@thurstaston.org.uk)

