

**The Churches of  
St Bartholomew and St Chad  
Thurstaston and Irby  
Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Trinity 6/St Thomas' Day**



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**

Almighty and eternal God,  
who, for the firmer foundation of our  
faith,  
allowed your holy apostle Thomas  
to doubt the resurrection of your Son  
till word and sight convinced him:  
grant to us, who have not seen, that we  
also may believe  
and so confess Christ as our Lord and  
our God;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*Amen*

**Post-Communion Prayer**

Almighty God,  
who on the day of Pentecost  
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles  
with the wind from heaven and in tongues  
of flame,  
filling them with joy and boldness to  
preach the gospel:  
by the power of the same Spirit  
strengthen us to witness to your truth  
and to draw everyone to the fire of your  
love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

**FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**For the World:** Eternal God, Light of the nations, in Christ you make all things new:  
guide our nation in the coming days through the inspiration of your Spirit,  
that understanding may put an end to discord and all bitterness.

Give us grace to rebuild bonds of trust  
that together we may work for the dignity and flourishing of all;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**For the sick:** Please pray for those in hospital.

**For the parish:** Please pray for Philip Sillitoe & Debra Harding, Darren Tilston & Rebecca Fleetwood and John Brothwood & Siobhan Sillitoe having their banns reads at St Bartholomew's today. Please pray for Nick Marchant & Kali Stone to be married at St Bartholomew's on Saturday.

**From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:**

Archbishop Clyde Igara, Archbishop of Papua New Guinea & Bishop of Dogura.

**From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** Pray for those made deacon today, their families, friends and those among whom they will serve.

## Services TODAY – Trinity 6/St Thomas' Day

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30am	Family Service	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's

## Services next week

### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July (Mid-week service)

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Trinity 7

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

## Notices and Announcements

### •Could you be our Church Warden?

See separate flier for more information.

### •Could you be our Treasurer?

See separate flier for more information.

### •SOSO (Singing our Socks off)

Tuesdays 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> July, 8pm at St Chad's.

### •Junior Church Bookgiving service

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July, 9.30am at St Chad's.

Part of the service will include memories shared of a time when God was particularly evident in your life. Maybe when you witnessed His work in someone else or felt His presence in a place, If you are prepared to tell everyone about it, please get in touch with Julie DeBoorder on 648 6331, 07599186893 [debs1313deb@btopenworld.com](mailto:debs1313deb@btopenworld.com)

### •Bookgiving on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July -

Colours of the rainbow. Please come wearing your favourite colour of the rainbow.

### •Church family picnic, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July

from 11.30am onwards at Royden Park, (near the trains). Everyone from all congregations welcome. Bring your friends, a picnic and something to sit on.

### •St Beartholomew's Day on Saturday

20<sup>th</sup> August, 2pm-4pm. Popular event with Teddy bear parachute jumps from the Tower of St Bartholomew's.

### •Summer Serenade with Strawberry Tea

at St. John the Baptist Mother's Union, Great Meols on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2pm, in the church centre, in aid of Mothers' Union charities.

Last year's event was a great success, please join us again this year, and enjoy an afternoon of music and

refreshment, in support of the work of the Mother's Union at home and abroad.

Tickets in advance or pay at the door £3.50p

For further information please contact Julia on 07821 047 529

• **Wirral Foodbank** urgently need the following items: Pasta sauce, tinned potatoes, instant mashed potato, custard, biscuits, female hygiene and toilet rolls. You can now donate food at any **ONE STOP SHOP**, **Library** or **CO-OP** Store, alternatively you can deliver food directly to our office Mon - Thu (10am - 2pm) at the following address: Unit 14, Wirral Business Centre Dock Road, Birkenhead, CH41 1JW.

• **Summer Retreat** with Wendy & Andrew Rudd on Monday 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> July at Foxhill Retreat and Conference Centre, Frodsham. Theme: 'Creative Space'. £86 including all meals. For more information, Tel: 01928733777 or email: foxhill@chester.anglican.org

• **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.

• **Easy Fundraising** Every penny makes a real difference so please remember to keep collecting free donations every time you shop and help us raise even more <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stbartholomewstchad>

• **Sponsored Cycle** event in aid of the **Barnabas Fund**, which supports Kenyan girls rescued by their Vicar from the dreadful custom of Female Genital Mutilation. At the end of May, Canon John Bowers and his son Chris are to cycle 250 miles, calling at Bangor Cathedral and then over to Anglesey, where they plan to spend time in various ancient churches. Last year **£18,720** was raised. Should you wish to add your support, please send your cheque payable to Barnabas Fund C/O Canon John Bowers, 2 Shalford Grove, West Kirby, CH48 9XY or alternatively fill in the sponsor form at the back of church and put your money in the envelope. Please state if your gift is to benefit from Gift Aid.

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## GOSPEL READING: John 20:24-29

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

24Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

26A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 27Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' 28Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' 29Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

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

<b>Readings for Today</b>	<b>Readings for 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>
Habbakuk 2:1-4	Deut 30:9-14
Ephesians 2:19-22	Col 1:1-14
John 20: 24-29	Luke 10:25-37

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