

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
Sunday 30th October – 4th Sunday Before Advent**



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

God of glory,
touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit,
that we with all creation
may rejoice to sing your praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Lord of heaven,
in this eucharist you have brought us near
to an innumerable company of angels
and to the spirits of the saints made
perfect:

as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship,
so may we come to share their joy in
heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for the civilians who have fled Mosul.

For the sick: Please continue to pray for Ruth Dann, Hilary Bradshaw and Joel Murray. Please pray for those in hospital.

For the parish: Please pray for Richard Lowsby & Alice Cubbin and Alexei Hirst & Nicola Morris, having their banns read at St Bartholomew's next week.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Bishop Nicholas Dill, Bermuda (Bermuda) (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury).

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Pray for the life of your congregation as a community of faith; for its identity, its service, and its purpose; and offer thanks for those of earlier generations.

Services TODAY – 4th Sunday Before Advent

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

Services next week

Wednesday 2nd November (Mid-week service)

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

Sunday 6th November – 3rd Sunday before Advent

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30am	Family service	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's

Notices and Announcement

•Banner for St Chad's 50th

Anniversary: Do you have any tiny buttons or beads in shades of green that you could donate to this project? Please hand in to parish office or speak to Beverley Appleyard or Revd Jane for more details. If you would like to help in the creation (sewing) of this banner, then again, please speak to Beverley or Revd Jane.

•**Faith Pictures** a fresh way to talk about things that matter. Everyone welcome at St Chad's on Thursdays at 8pm on 3rd, 10th & 17th November. See magazine for further information.

•**Christmas cards** for sale in both churches. £2.50 per pack. All profit to church funds. Please take a look.

•**SOSO (Singing our Socks off)** on Tuesday 1st November, 8pm at St Chad's. All Welcome. £5 per session.

•**Christmas Fair** on Saturday 26th November 1pm-4pm at St Chad's. Santa's Grotto, lots of stalls, refreshments, Raffle. Please bring your 'Good as New' items, Books/DVD's/CD's, jewellery, toys, to church or the office from next week. Please speak to Julie DeBoorder on 648 6331 or debs1313deb@btopenworld.com if you can help in any way, either on the day or the night before.

•**The Children's Society Coffee Morning** at St Chad's on 15th October raised **£92.90** from donations and Bring & Buy. Many thanks to all who attended. A plea for any house boxes not yet returned! Please let us know if you would like us to collect them – Jean, Barbara & Elaine.

•**Men's Breakfast** on Saturday 5th November, 8.45am-9.45am at Aroma Café Irby. All welcome.

- **RDA (Riding for the disabled) Coffee Morning** on Saturday 19th November, 10am-noon at Jean Heath's, 'Barnstables' 233 Irby Road. All welcome. Tickets £3. Stalls – Shoe-B-Do, Phoenix cards, cakes, gifts and raffle. Thanks for all the donated **used Postage Stamps** and please keep collecting. Box in St Chad's foyer and envelope at the back of St Bart's.
- **A big Thank you** to everyone who donated active kids vouchers to 1st Thurstaston Guides. We collected 671 tokens and have ordered some beanbags and blindfolds for games within the unit, as well as some tea towels and an ingredients card to help with cooking evenings!
- **3rd Irby brownies** has now opened at St Chad's. We meet every Monday, 6.45pm-8pm and we have a vacancy for a Barn Owl or a Tawny Owl! This could be a job share. If you are interested or would like more info please speak to Gemma Willerton (BrownOwl) gwillerton10@gmail.com or Lynn Mc Coy (Snowy Owl) lynnmccoy15@googlemail.com
- **Men's Breakfast** at Thornton Hall Hotel, 8am-10am on Saturday 10th December (Speaker Robin Oake). Only £10 per ticket. For more information visit www.wirralbreakfast.co.uk, phone 0151 347 5658 or speak to Matt James on 07817625122 or mjames@doctors.org.uk
- **Dawpool (C of E) Primary School Open Days for prospective parents:-**
 Tuesday 15th November 2-3pm
 Wednesday 16th November 2-3pm
 Thursday 17th November 2-3pm
 Please contact the school office (648 3412) for more information.
 The Admissions criterion is on the school website (<http://www.dawpool-ce.eschools.co.uk>). **Anyone applying under Church criteria MUST fill in a Supplementary form** which can be downloaded from the Admissions tab of the school website. If you require Revd Jane to sign your form then please hand it to her and she will return it to school on your behalf.
- **Are you ready for Mission Possible?**
 Your chance to make a difference! Register your place on the 2017 diocesan lay conference. For a limited period of time one **free** place is being reserved for each parish (we will try to share this free place between however many people want to go). We would like as many parishes as possible to be part of the conference at The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Alfreton DE55 1AU. We are looking to have delegates attending from all parts of the diocese. . Please put the dates in your diary now and let Revd Jane know that you are interested. Friday, 19 May to Sunday, 21 May 2017. For more information about this and the previous notice go to www.chester.anglican.org/ebulletin

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GOSPEL READING: Luke 19:1-10

All: Glory to you, O Lord

1Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. 2A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax-collector and was rich. 3He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. 4So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see Jesus, because he was going to pass that way. 5When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.' 6So he hurried down and was happy to welcome Jesus. 7All who saw it began to grumble and said, 'He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.' 8Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.' 9Then Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. 10For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 6th November
Is 1:10-18	Job 19:23-27a
2 Thess 1:1-12	2 Thess 2:1-5, 13-17
Luke 19:1-10	Luke 2:27-38

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