

**The Churches of  
St Bartholomew and St Chad  
Thurstaston and Irby  
9<sup>th</sup> April 2017**



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**

True and humble king,  
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:  
grant us the faith to know you and love  
you,  
that we may be found beside you  
on the way of the cross,  
which is the path of glory.

*Amen*

**Post-Communion Prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you humbled yourself in taking the form of  
a servant,  
and in obedience died on the cross for our  
salvation:  
give us the mind to follow you  
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,  
to the glory of God the Father.

*Amen*

**FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**For the World:** Please continue to pray for the people affected by the New Ferry gas explosion. As we celebrate the joy of Easter, pray for those whose joy is dampened by World events.

**For the sick:** Please continue to pray for Mark White, Mabel Gardner, Edwin Bezant, Joyce Edmonds, Baby Tobias (and his parents Katy and Isaac), and Joel Murray. Please pray for those in hospital.

**For the parish:** Please pray for ourselves as we enter into the experience of Holy week.

## Services TODAY – Palm Sunday

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

## Services next week

### Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April (Mid-week service)

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Day

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
10.30am	Family Communion	St Bartholomew's

## Holy Week Services:-

Maundy Thursday (13th April) 7.30pm at St Chad's – Holy Communion

Good Friday (14th April)

10.00am – Family Worship at St Chad's

2.00pm – Hour at the Cross at St Barts

Easter Day (16th April)

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.30am – Family Communion at St Bartholomew's

## Notices and Announcement

### • Reading Luke's Gospel Together –

This week's readings are:-

Mon: Luke 19:44- 20:47

Tues: Luke 21:1-36

Wed: Luke 21:37 - 22:13

Thurs: Luke 22:14-77

Fri: Luke 23:1-49

Sat: Luke 23:50-56

Sunday Sermon will be based on Luke 24:1-12.

If you have any questions or reflections on this week's passages that you would like to be part of the sermon, please let Revd Jane know and we will do our best to incorporate them.

- **The Big Church Day Out** Comes to the Diocese of Chester!! 2nd-3rd June Capesthorne Hall, Cheshire. More info in parish magazine and on diocesan website [www.chester.anglican.org.uk](http://www.chester.anglican.org.uk)

- **Our Lent Group** will be on Thursday evenings 9th March – 13th April, 7.30-9.00pm. We will be using "The Living Cross" which is £8.99 from [www.brsonline.org.uk/9780857465122/](http://www.brsonline.org.uk/9780857465122/). You will need a copy of the book, so please order it soon – if finance will prevent you from attending then speak confidentially to Revd Jane who will provide you with a copy of the book from a grant fund.

- **Crosstalk** The April magazine is available at the back of church.

- **Easter Flowers** Any contributions towards Easter Flowers, will be gratefully received. Please put money in envelopes at the back of churches.

- **Thy Kingdom Come:** Archbishop Justin hopes to see every Church join this global wave of prayer. Prayer events of all shapes and sizes will take place from 25 May to 4 June 2017.

In our parish we will focus on “thy kingdom come” over the weekend of 27-28<sup>th</sup> May with various services and activities. One of the things we’d like to do is to provide each Church Family with a prayer pack called “The Kingdom Kit” which contains resources for families to do a variety of prayer activities throughout the week. These kits cost £7.50 each. If anyone wants to make a donation towards purchasing one of these kits, there is box at the back of church. We will then purchase the kits and distribute them to families either for free or for reduced cost.

There will also be a variety of events at the Cathedral. Our deanery are being especially encouraged to attend compline at 6.30pm on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May.

- **Golden Jubilee Commemorative Photo Book and More!** There is a sample of the commemorative book at St Chad’s along with sample prints, post cards, canvas print, mouse mat, fridge magnet and mug. Please take a look and think about early Christmas Shopping! All orders must be placed by **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June** so that order can be made on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June. There will be a tea and toast morning on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May (9.00-11.00am) when you will be able to peruse the photos etc, in case you do not go to St Chad’s for any other reason between now and then!

- **Sainsbury’s Active Kids** Guides are once again collecting vouchers and would like to thank people for all their support over previous years - (the girls have benefited greatly from the equipment we’ve been able to get for them), so any vouchers would be greatly appreciated.

- **The Electoral Roll**

All Church of England parishes are required to maintain an electoral roll. Those people whose names are on the roll are entitled to attend the Annual Parish Meeting and to vote. They are also eligible for election on to the Parochial Church Council. The number of people on the electoral roll also determines how many representatives can be sent to the Deanery Synod where decisions may be taken that effect the churches within the deanery. It is therefore important that all those eligible should be entered on to electoral roll for this parish of St Bartholomew Thurstaston and St Chad Irby. Although the roll may be updated regularly, a new roll has to be created every 6 years and 2013 was the most recent year in which this had to be done.

To be eligible applicants must be 16 years of age or over and

Either Live within the parish boundary

Or Have been a regular worshipper at St Bartholomew Thurstaston or St Chad Irby for at least 6 months.

Application forms available at the back of both churches or from the parish office.

- **Grass Cutting at St. Chads for 2017** - Hello, I am after some volunteer's to be part of a 2017 grass cutting rota at St. Chads. Help will be needed to cut the main sloped area at the rear of the church and the grass at the front around the car park area. If I had a similar amount of volunteers as I did last year, then it would mean you would only need to cut the grass around two or three times throughout the year. If you can help I would be very grateful, please see **Chris Perry** in church, ring **0151 648 6958** or email **churchwarden@thurstaston.org.uk**

**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 19:28-44

### All: Glory to you, O Lord

<sup>28</sup> After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

<sup>29</sup> When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup> They said, "The Lord needs it." <sup>35</sup> Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying,

"Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven,  
and glory in the highest heaven!"

<sup>39</sup> Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." <sup>40</sup> He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

<sup>41</sup> As he came near and saw the city, he wept over it, <sup>42</sup> saying, "If you, even you, had only recognized on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. <sup>43</sup> Indeed, the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up ramparts around you and surround you, and hem you in on every side. <sup>44</sup> They will crush you to the ground, you and your children within you, and they will not leave within you one stone upon another; because you did not recognize the time of your visitation from God."

### All: Praise to you, O Christ

<b>Readings for Today</b> TBA Luke 19:28-44	<b>Readings for 16<sup>th</sup> April</b> Acts 10:34-43 Luke 24:1-12
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