

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
16th 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

God of glory,
by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death
and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned
and the way to life stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

God of Life,
who for our redemption gave your only-
begotten Son to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us from the power of our
enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him in the
joy of his risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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: Give thanks for the risen Lord. Pray that we may share this good news.

Services TODAY – Easter Day

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
10.30am	Family Communion	St Bartholomew's

Services next week

Wednesday 19th April (Mid-week service)

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

Sunday 23rd April – Easter 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

• Reading Luke's Gospel Together –

This week's readings are:-

Mon: Luke 24:1-12

Tues: Luke 24:13-32

Wed: Luke 24:33-43

Thurs: Luke 24:44-48

Fri: Luke 24:49

Sat: Luke 24:50-53

Sunday Sermon will be based on Luke 24:13-32. 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

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

- **Thank you** to those who decorated church so beautifully.

- **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 27-28th 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 31st 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 4th June** so that order can be made on Monday 5th June. There will be a tea and toast morning on Saturday 6th 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)

GOSPEL READING: Luke 24:1-12

All: Glory to you, O Lord

24 But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵ The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶ Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” ⁸ Then they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹² But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today Acts 10:34-43 Luke 24:1-12	Readings for 23rd April Ex 14:10-31;15:20-21 Acts 2:14a,22-32 Luke 24:13-32
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