

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



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

Almighty God,
send down upon your Church
the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the
course of this world may be so peaceably
ordered
by your governance,
that your Church may joyfully serve you in
all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ
our Lord.

Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for those still impacted by the tower block fire and terror incidents, and those seeking to help them.

For the sick: Please continue to pray for baby Tobias (and his parents Katy and Isaac), Anna Drysdale, Eira Jones and Alison Harris. Please pray for those in hospital.

For the parish: Pray for Children and Young People at this time of transition at the end of the School year. Please pray for Stephen Williams and Clare Connor as they were married yesterday at St Bartholomew's, Also pray for the parents and Godparents of Brandon Lamb and James Bark as they are Baptised on 23rd July

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle: July 18th is the 200th Anniversary of Jane Austen's death, Pray for all touched by Austen's work wherever they may be

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Bishop George Lindsey Russell Bruce; Ontario; Bishop Michael Oulton, Coadjutor Bishop (Ontario, Canada)

Services TODAY – Trinity 5

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

Services next week

Wednesday 19th July

10.15 am	Holy Communion	St Chads
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Sunday 23rd – Trinity 6

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
3.00pm	Baptism	St. Bartholomew's



Notices and Announcement

Sunday 16th July from 11am – Church Picnic at Royden Park. Everyone welcome – bring your friends and family. Bring a picnic a rug/chairs and some games e.g. Frisbee, rounder's etc. We meet somewhere near the trains.

Wellspring 17th July 8pm Rectory – Come and pray for our parish. All Welcome – you do not have to pray out loud !

Saturday Together 22nd July 5.30pm -6.30pm – BBQ, games and quizzes at St Chads, everyone welcome. BBQ provided, please bring your own food to cook.

Can you help with some maintenance of St Chad's Building? We will be shutting the building from Mon 21st August – Sat 2nd Sept so that routine maintenance, painting, cleaning, etc. can be done. If you can help in any way please let Chris Perry or Revd Jane know. Thanks.

Meeting with David Burrows, Head Teacher Dawpool Primary – Julie recently met with David as part of the outreach and mission committee, to explore any needs the school had that the church could meet, as an opportunity to create stronger links with the school. Some of the areas that could be an option are:

After School craft club.

Helping children plan an act of worship

Lunchtime knitting club.

Extra adult stayover at year 5 Barnstondale weekend.

If anyone is interested in any of these please contact Julie De Boorder (DBS check will be required). For the Barnstondale weekend please let her know ASAP.

Saturday 26th August 2pm- 4pm St Barts - "St. Beartholomews day", bring your teddy, make a parachute and watch as they are launched from the Tower !

2nd September 10am – 12 noon Children's Society Thank You Coffee Morning will be held at "Barnstables", 233 Irby Road. Children's Society house boxes can also be returned to both Churches during August and September.

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: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

All: Glory to you, O Lord

13 That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ² Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ Let anyone with ears listen!"

¹⁸ "Hear then the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹ yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away.^[c]²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³ But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 23 rd July
Is 55:10-13	SofS12:13,16-19
Rom 8:1-11	Rom 8:1-11
Matt 13:1-9,18-23	Matt 13:24-30,36-43

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