

**The Churches of  
St Bartholomew and St Chad  
Thurstaston and Irby  
30<sup>th</sup> 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**

Generous God,  
you give us gifts and make them grow:  
though our faith is small as mustard  
seed,  
make it grow to your glory  
and the flourishing of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

**Post-Communion Prayer**

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and  
the source of life, ever giving himself that  
the world may live: may we so receive  
within ourselves

the power of his death and passion  
that, in his saving cup,

we may share his glory and be made  
perfect in his love; for he is alive and  
reigns, now and for ever.

*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 bereaved:** For the families and friends of Hilary Brown, John Thompson and Jean Davies.

**For the parish:** Pray for Children and Young People at this time of transition at the end of the School year. Please pray for the parents and Godparents of Alexander Davies as he is Baptised today.

**From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:** As the World Athletics Championships take place Pray for competitors, officials and spectators, and all who share the excitement through the media.

**From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** Bishop Clifton Daniel, Pennsylvania; Bishop Dorsey W M McConnell, Pittsburgh (Ill, The Episcopal Church, USA)

## Services TODAY – Trinity 7

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

## Services next week

### Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August

10.15 am	Holy Communion	St Chads
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### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August – Trinity 8

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



## Notices and Announcement

**Can you help with some maintenance of St Chad's Building?** We will be shutting the building from Mon 21<sup>st</sup> August – Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup> August 2pm- 4pm St Barts** - "St. Beartholomews day", bring your teddy, make a parachute and watch as they are launched from the Tower !

**2<sup>nd</sup> 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. This is earlier than usual because the old pound coin is going out of circulation in October, and it is at Jeans house because of St Chad's maintenance

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## GOSPEL READING: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

### All: Glory to you, O Lord

#### The Parable of the Mustard Seed

<sup>31</sup>He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; <sup>32</sup>it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

#### Three Parables

<sup>44</sup>"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

<sup>45</sup>"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; <sup>46</sup>on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

<sup>47</sup>"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; <sup>48</sup>when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. <sup>49</sup>So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous <sup>50</sup>and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

#### Treasures New and Old

<sup>51</sup>"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." <sup>52</sup>And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old." <sup>53</sup>When Jesus had finished these parables, he left that place.

### All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 6 <sup>th</sup> August
1 Kings 3:5-12	Is 55:1-5
Rom 8:26-39	Rom 9:1-5
Matt 13:31-33,44-52	Matt 14:13-21

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