

**The Churches of  
St Bartholomew and St Chad  
Thurstaston and Irby  
29<sup>th</sup> October – Last Sunday of Trinity, Bible Sunday**



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**

Merciful God,  
teach us to be faithful in change and  
uncertainty,  
that trusting in your word  
and obeying your will  
we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus  
Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

**Post-Communion Prayer**

God of all grace,  
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry  
with the bread of his life  
and the word of his kingdom:  
renew your people with your heavenly  
grace, and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your true and living bread;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

*Amen*

**FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**For the World:** Please pray for current world events.

**For the sick:** Please pray for Joyce Ratcliffe, Colin Stocks, Alec Ball, Bernard Dann and June Dean. Please continue to pray for Anna Drysdale, and Alison Harris. Please pray for those in hospital. Please give thanks for answered prayers – Baby Tobias is now in remission. Please pray for all those who have suffered long term illness and although well at the moment could experience set backs or relapse.

**For the parish:** Please pray for the Remembrance and Thanksgiving service later today at St Chad's, for all the people attending and Reverend Jane as she leads the service.

**From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:** Offer thanks for what was positive in the Reformation, and pray for understanding and joint effort by Christians of all traditions.

**From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle** Vacant, Thoothukudi, Nazareth (South India)  
Bishop Jayaraj Christdoss, Tirunelveli (South India)

## Services TODAY – Last Sunday of Trinity, Bible Sunday

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30 am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
11.15 am	Holy Communion	St. Bartholomew's
6.30pm	Remembrance and Thanksgiving	St. Chad's

### Services next week

#### Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November

10.15 am	Holy Communion	St Chads
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#### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Fourth 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

**PARISH OFFICE EMAIL:** We are terminating our BT contract in the middle of November and shortly after that the office btinternet email address will become invalid. Please can you change your address book. The email address for the office is [office@thurstaston.org.uk](mailto:office@thurstaston.org.uk)

**Children's Society House boxes:** Can you please continue to return the boxes to either church or phone either Jean Heath on 648 6015 or Barbara Kozer on 648 3523 for collection.

**Unidentified Box:** There was a box returned to St Bart's without a name. It was last emptied in October 2011 with a total of £9.16, if it's yours can you please contact Jean so it can be returned to you.

**EMU:** There are shoeboxes for "Operation Christmas Child" available to purchase for £1.00, at St Chad's. If you would prefer to donate items towards filling a few communal boxes, ideas for suitable gifts are: very small musical instrument, new small stuffed animal, pens, pencils, notebooks, colouring books, small new toys, toothbrush, toothpaste, soap flannel, small

packs of sweets (not chocolate) Free knitting patterns are also available for those who would like to make suitable hand puppets, hats, gloves etc.

**Christmas Cards** are available to purchase from the foyer at St Chads and at the back of St Bart's. £1.00 per pack all profits to church funds, please consider buying some.

**In the Arena – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November,** Bridge Chapel Centre, L19 4XR – In the Arena is a men's event where we will share with you helpful strategies to strengthen and empower you for whatever challenges you face now or in the future. Speakers Philip Jinadu and Gerrit Bantjes will present biblical principles and insights they have proved through their experience of both triumph and adversity. They will talk about critical areas of everyday life such as friendships, finance, character and career and their encouragement will leave you better prepared to run life's race. Tickets £4 to book phone 029 2081 0800  
<https://careforthefamily.org.uk/inthearena>.

**Bereaved Parent Support Day: Saturday 18th November 10.00am-5.00pm at St Peter's Centre. Heswall, Wirral, CH60 0DZ** The Support Day offers understanding, encouragement and support to any parent who has suffered the death of a son or daughter in any circumstance and at any age.

Revd Graeme Skinner (vicar at St Marys Upton) and Mrs Phillippa Skinner will be speaking at this event. They lost their own son, Jim - aged 21, 10 years ago.

Cost including lunch and refreshments: £22.00 per person Further details from:

<https://www.careforthefamily.org.uk/events/bereavement-support-events/bereaved-parent-support-day> or Telephone:029 2081 0800

The website also has very helpful page of frequently asked questions, please take a look.


**Christmas Fair** on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November 1pm-4pm at St Chad's, Santa's Grotto, lots of stalls, refreshments, and raffle. Please bring your "Good as New" items, Books/DVD's/CD's, jewellery, toys to church or the office from next week. If you can help in any way, either on the day or the night before please speak to Julie DeBoorder on 648 6331

**Can you help with Tots and Tinies?** If you could spare an hour or two on a Thursday morning between 9.30am and 11.30am from September, Tots and Tinies would be very grateful. They need people to help prepare the snack, serve tea and coffee and wash up after. Even if you can only spare 30mins at the end to help clear up, your help would be very much appreciated. If you are interested can you contact either the office or Revd Jane.

**Saturday Together** Have you enjoyed coming along to this year's sessions? if so and you would like to be more involved there is a planning meeting for next year's program on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 7.30pm at 55 Heathbank Ave, please do come along, or contact Chris Smale, 649 4944

**HOST UK** are looking for British homes to give a welcome to international students, for friendship and cultural exchange. Whilst not a faith-based charity, it values the offers of hospitality that result from awareness raising in Churches. For more information please see the poster on the information board or visit their website [www.hostuk.org](http://www.hostuk.org).

**Ecclesiastical home insurance** will donate £130 to the church each time a member of the church family take out a home insurance policy with them. See the posters at each church for more details.



**Remembrance Sunday Service**  
**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November at St Bartholomew's -**  
No Service at St Chads  
10.15 am Traditional Service

10.40 am Uniformed Organisations meet at on the green at the front of church

10.50 am All Assemble at War Memorial

11.00 am Act of Remembrance at War Memorial

11.05 am Family Service (aim to finish by 11.30 am) for anyone with small children and uniformed organisations and their families.

**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: Matthew 24:30-35

### All: Glory to you, O Lord

<sup>30</sup>Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see 'the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven' with power and great glory. <sup>31</sup>And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

### The Lesson of the Fig Tree

<sup>32</sup>"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>33</sup>So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>34</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. <sup>35</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

### All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 5 <sup>th</sup> November
Neh 8:1-12	Micah 3:5-12
Col 3:12-17	1 Thess 2:9-13
Matt 24: 30-35	Matt 24: 1-14

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