

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
26th November – Christ the King Sunday before Advent**



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 the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, one glory.
Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the
fruit of good works, may by you be
plenteously rewarded;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for everyone affected by the floods this week across the country.

For the sick: Please pray for Pat Neil and continue to pray for Connor Carr, Alec Ball, Anna Drysdale, and Alison Harris. Please pray for those in hospital.

For the parish: Please pray for John Knight and Jennifer Card who were married at St Bartholomew's yesterday.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle: Pray that our Christian sisters and brothers right across the world will be encouraged and strengthened to witness for Christ the King..

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle Bishop Saman Farajalla Mahdi, Wad Medani (Northern, Sudan)

Services TODAY – Christ the King Sunday before Advent

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St. Bartholomew's
9.30am	Holy Communion	St. Chads
11.15am	Holy Communion	St. Bartholomew's

Services next week

Wednesday 29th November

10.15 am	Holy Communion	St Chads
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Sunday 3rd December - Advent Sunday

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30am	Holy Communion	St Chads
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
4.00 pm	Christingle Family	St Chads

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

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.

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 Please note that the date for the planning meeting for next year's program this has changed to **Tuesday 5th December 7.30pm** at 55 Heathbank Ave, please do come along, or contact Chris Smale on 0151 648 4944, or postmaster@thesmales.plus.com

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.

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.

Forum Housing- Christmas can be a lonely time for many young people living at Forum, but with your help, you can make their Christmas Special. If you are able to support Forum with this year's Appeal please see poster in church. Gift Bags will need to be delivered to 18, Hamilton Square, by 5pm on Monday 11th December.

Dawpool C.E (Aided) Primary School
Prospective parents who are seeking a place at Dawpool for a Foundation 1 or Foundation 2 child in September 2018 are invited to phone the school to book a place at one of our open afternoons in November. We look forward to meeting you. Phone no. 0151 6483412

The Children's Society Many thanks to all our box holders, who this year raised our best ever total of £981.98 If anyone would like a box, please contact Jean Heath (0151 648 6015). Perhaps we could make it £1000 in 2018!

Thank you to everyone who helped Julie and the team with the Christmas Fair, and to all who came on the day and supported us. We raised £1107.50.

Christmas Services

Sunday 3rd December:

St Chads: 9.30 am Holy Communion
4.00 pm Christingle Family

Service

St Bartholomew's: 8.00am and 11.15am
as normal

Sunday 10th December: All Services as normal

Sunday 17th December:

St Chads: 9.30 am Nativity Service led
by Junior Church
6.30 pm Joint Carol Service

St Bartholomew's: 8.00am and 11.15am
as normal

Sunday 24th December Christmas Eve:

St Chads: 9.30 am Holy Communion
St Bartholomew's:

8.00 am Holy Communion

No 11.15 am Service

4.00 pm Crib Service

5.00 pm Crib Service

11.15pm First Communion of
Christmas

Monday 25th December Christmas Day

St Bartholomew's:

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Family Communion

NO OTHER SERVICES TODAY

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 25:31-46

All: Glory to you, O Lord

³¹ “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³² All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³ and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴ Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵ for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶ I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸ And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹ And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ ⁴⁰ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ ⁴¹ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴² for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ ⁴⁴ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ ⁴⁵ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ ⁴⁶ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 3 rd December
Ezek 34:11-16,20-24	Is 64:1-9
Eph 1:15-23	1 Cor 1:3-9
Matt 25:31-46	Mark 13:24-37

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