

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
10th February – 4th Sunday before Lent**



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

Lord of the hosts of heaven,
our salvation and our strength,
without you we are lost:
guard us from all that harms or hurts
and raise us when we fall;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

Go before us, Lord, in all we do
with your most gracious favour,
and guide us with your continual help,
that in all our works
begun, continued and ended in you,
we may glorify your holy name,
and finally by your mercy receive
everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for the political situation in Venezuela at this present time and also for all those affected by the floods in Australia.

For the Parish: Please pray for the upcoming APCM, and those thinking of joining the PCC or taking on the responsibility of becoming Church Warden.

For the Sick: Please pray for Mark Dennison, Anna Drysdale, Pam Ward (Daughter of Dorothy Joyce), Muriel McKie, Mandy Fletcher and for all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Pray for what we may learn about worship and evangelism from African Instituted Churches and for a proper Christian critique of culture.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle Archbishop Frederick Hiltz - Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada

Services TODAY 4th Sunday before Lent

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St. Bartholomew's
9.30 am	Holy communion	St Chad's
11.15 am	Morning Worship	St Bartholomew's

Services next week

Wednesday 13th February

10.15 am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
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Sunday 17th February – 3th Sunday before Lent

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

Notices and Announcements

Fruitfulness on the Frontline sessions, 8-9.30pm at St Chad's:

- 14th February - making Good work
HALF TERM
- 28th February - Ministering Grace and Love
- 7th March - Moulding Culture
- 14th March - Mouthpiece for Truth and Justice
- 21st March - Messenger of the Gospel
- 28th March - The Journey on.

Celebrate St Chad's Day – Sat 2nd March.

Our parish is this year co-incidentally included in the diocesan cycle of prayer on St Chad's Day. I would therefore like to invite you to join me at the Cathedral for the 4.15pm service of Evensong at which we will be remembered in prayer.

If anyone would then like to stay in Chester for a meal following the service, a colleague has recommended the Coach House (www.coachhousechester.co.uk). I would propose booking a table for 5.30pm and would need to know by Sunday 17th February if you would like to join me.

I have also been asked by Canon Jane Brooke if we would be willing to test a "Pilgrimage Trail" which she is in the process of setting up for Cathedral Visitors. If you are willing to give this a go, then you will need to meet me at the

Cathedral at 3.15pm. I would suggest that we meet in the reception area next to the Cathedral Shop, so early arrivers could have a quick browse first! It would be helpful to know how many people would be expected, so again if you could let me know. Revd Jane Turner

An evening with bestselling author Rob

Parsons - Tuesday 12th March, Adelphi Hotel. For one night only Rob Parsons will be bringing "The Wisdom house" to Liverpool. An evening full of real life stories that have touched his heart. Reverend Jane has booked a ticket for this and would thoroughly recommend it, Rob Parsons is an excellent speaker. More details and booking information can be found on the website <https://www.careforthefamily.org.uk/event/s/other-events/the-wisdom-house>

If you do book a ticket let Reverend Jane know and you can then maybe arrange to travel together (bus/train?)

Lost Key? – A key to the Junior Church cupboard at St Chad's was found on the path outside the Church, if you have lost it please contact the office.

The Electoral Roll will this year be wiped clean in accordance with Church of England Rules. So even if you were on the existing roll, you will not be on the new one unless you fill in an application form. You must do this between Sunday 9th and Sunday 24th February - forms will be available at the back of church or from the parish office during this time. Otherwise you will have to wait until after the Annual Meeting on Sunday 7th April. 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.

To be eligible applicants must be baptised, over 16 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.

One off church choir - Volunteers please

I have been approached by a wedding couple who would like a choir at their wedding Friday 10 May. It would be to sing 3 hymns with the congregation. The hymns are "Jerusalem", "All things bright & beautiful" and "Love Divine". Craig has kindly agreed to rehearse with us, so if you would like to do it, please let me know and then I can arrange for us to get together and try it out. I see it as a one off, no commitment to anything in the future.

The couple will be making a donation for our services, so good for church funds but I think it would be a nice thing to do and singing is good for soul, so will be enjoyable too.

Thanks, Julie DeBoorder Home 0151 648 6331
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Faith and Football evening with Bill

Bygroves, Chaplain to Liverpool Football Club. Friday March 22nd, 7.30pm St Catherine's Church, Tranmere, CH42 0LQ. Bill is an amazing speaker and it will be a good night. One to come to and be encouraged or to bring a friend to and hear the Gospel explained in Bills own special way. The evening is free and open to anyone.

Open House Coffee Morning at Elizabeth's

146 Irby Road, Saturday 23rd March 11 am – 1.30pm in Aid of Emily's trip to Uganda. Cost is £5 per person and there will also be a raffle. Emily is member of our Seniors Group (Junior Church for secondary aged young people) following her A-levels this summer she will be heading off to Uganda for 3 weeks. She will visit 3 different schools teaching lessons to children, hanging mosquito nets, going on community tours and running holiday camps. In order for Emily to go on the trip she needs to raise £1,300.

Planned Giving Scheme. Chris Turnbull is currently preparing the annual gift aid claim for Thurstaston PCC - St Chad's and St Bartholomew's churches. This brings in about £10,000 for the churches so it is important we get the data required by HMRC right.

If you have not let him know of a change of name or address recently as used by HMRC (your first initial in your first name and your correct surname are important to be correct as well as your postcode and house number:

OR you are now eligible or are no longer eligible (e.g. because you no longer pay enough UK tax for us to claim your tax back on your donations to church) then **please let him know by the ;attest Sunday 17th February**

Wirral Foodbank urgently need, Sponge Puddings, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Fruit, UHT Milk, Fruit Squash, Sugar Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Shampoo they have plenty of beans. Donations can be dropped off at Sainsbury's Upton, Asda Woodchurch, the library and most Co-op Stores

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 6:17-26

All: Glory to you, O Lord

¹⁷ He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. ¹⁸ They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹ And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

²⁰ Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

²² "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴ "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 17 th February
Jer 17:5-10	Gen 45:3-11,15
1Cor 15:12-20	1 Cor 15:35-38,42-50
Luke 6:17-26	Luke 6:27-38
Fruitfulness on the Frontline Gal 5:13-26	Fruitfulness on the Frontline Gen 1-2, Col 3:22-4:1

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