

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
14th April – Palm 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

True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love
you,
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.

Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of
a servant,
and in obedience died on the cross for our
salvation:
give us the mind to follow you
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for current world events and political stability in the UK as the Brexit deal is negotiated.

For the Parish: Please pray for Will Guest and Holly Cullen, Charlie Berry and Grace Masters, Ian Dunne and Sophie Fleetwood as the Banns are read today.

For the Bereaved: Family and Friends of Margaret Ashcroft-Griffiths.

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

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Pray that we like our forbearers may in heart, mind and actions accompany Our Lord in this Holy Week.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle Archbishop Suheil Dawani - Archbishop, Jerusalem & the Middle East & Archbishop in Jerusalem

Services TODAY Palm Sunday

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

Services next week

Wednesday 17th April

10.15 am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
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Thursday 18th April - **Maundy Thursday**

7.30 pm	Holy Communion	St Chad's
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Friday 19th April - **Good Friday**

10.00 am	Family Service	St Chad's
2.00 pm	"Hour at the Cross" Meditative Service	St Bartholomew's

Sunday 21st April - **Easter Day**

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



Notices and Announcements

Marketing/Advertising St Chad's

Facilities: The PCC would love to hear from anyone who would be willing to get involved in seeking ways in which we can increase our revenue from hall hire by doing some marketing/advertising of our

facilities. There is the possibility of a small budget being set aside to allow for paid adverts in local publications etc. Please let Revd Jane know if you could be involved in some way with this.

One off church choir – Update

Choir practice for the wedding in May will take place at St Bartholomew's on Tuesday 16th April at 7.30pm. We have 15 volunteers, but it's not too late to join, email or phone Julie

Jules2121jule@gmail.com / 648 6331

Volunteer information and taster

session – the Christian bookshop are in need of more volunteers, they are holding a couple of taster sessions to enable you to find out more. Come along and enjoy coffee, cake and a chat to discover the different roles and opportunities available. Wednesday 17th April 2.30-4 pm at The Christian Bookshop, 14 Grange Road West, Birkenhead CH41 4DA.

Twenty is Plenty for a Retreat

As part of Foxhill's 50th Anniversary, the Diocese of Chester is pleased to introduce the "Twenty is Plenty" scheme for 2019. This is a new scheme that offers a limited number of places on the Foxhill programme of residential retreats for just £20. It is for those on low income who would like to go on a retreat but would otherwise be unable to attend due to financial restrictions. More information from

<https://www.foxhillchester.co.uk/whats-on/twenty-is-plenty>

Wirral Foodbank Easter 2019

The foodbank is extremely grateful for all the support they receive from Wirral Churches, especially at Christmas 2018. The use of foodbanks has increased by 52% on this time last year. This year at Easter they are not asking for chocolate or Easter Eggs as the need for ordinary food is so great. They have sent an Easter Egg showing the items they really need, these are on the notice boards. Different schools/churches are being sent a different egg showing what they need, they have requested we collect Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Spaghetti, Tinned Carrots and Soap Powder Tablets. Items can be delivered direct to the foodbank or there is a box in the foyer at St Chad's for donations.

Hospital Volunteers: We are seeking to recruit Additional Chaplaincy volunteers to join our volunteer teams at Arrowe Park and Clatterbridge. Volunteers spend a few hours each week visiting patients on wards and assisting with Sunday morning worship in the Chapel. We are also seeking volunteers to act as palliative care and end of life companions. Full training and induction will be provided for these very rewarding and fulfilling ministries to the patients and staff of our hospitals. For further information or an informal chat, please contact Rev Malcolm Cowan 07771837636

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GOSPEL READING: Luke 19:28-40

All: Glory to you, O Lord

²⁸ After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸ saying,

"Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!"

³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰ He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 21 st April
Ps 118:1-2, 19-29	Is 65:17-25
Phil 2:5-11	Acts 10:34-43
Luke 19:28-40	Luke 24:1-12

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