

**The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
3rd October 2021 - Trinity 18—Harvest**



**Details of Covid Precautions and Safety for Church Services
can be found on the front page of our website**

Collect

God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation which
is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this
sacred feast:
for here we receive you, here the memory
of your passion is renewed,
here our minds are filled with grace,
and here a pledge of future glory is given,
when we shall feast at that table where you
reign with all your saints for ever.
Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For our Community:

Please pray for local businesses
Please pray for families and young people making decisions regarding Covid vaccine.
Please pray for our local MP's and all politicians following government reshuffle.

For our Church:

Please pray for Bishops Mark; Julie and Sam, & Archdeacons Mike and Ian
Please pray for Revd Malcolm Cowan and others who serve in the Chaplaincy department of the hospital

For the world:

Please continue to pray for the people of Afghanistan
Please pray for all who have been affected by earthquakes and hurricanes
Please continue to pray for countries world-wide struggling with the effects of Covid pandemic

For the Sick: Please pray for Mark Beck (relative of Ruth Eden), Elaine Kavanagh, Kate McMahon (relative of Elizabeth Barton), Stephen Brown (Chris Rostock's Nephew) and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For the Bereaved: Please pray for families and friends of Kevin Cullen and Vaughan Pritchard (brother of Meira and brother in law of Daffyd Evans-Jones)

GLOBAL IMAGES of CHRIST

25 September - 30 October 2021

A landmark exhibition of enlightening works of art, sculpture and images to challenge our perceptions as to how Jesus Christ and other people of faith are depicted by people of different ethnicity, race and colour.
chestercathedral.com



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OLD TESTAMENT READING: Leviticus 23:15-22

¹⁵ And from the day after the sabbath, from the day on which you bring the sheaf of the elevation offering, you shall count off seven weeks; they shall be complete. ¹⁶ You shall count until the day after the seventh sabbath, fifty days; then you shall present an offering of new grain to the LORD. ¹⁷ You shall bring from your settlements two loaves of bread as an elevation offering, each made of two-tenths of an ephah; they shall be of choice flour, baked with leaven, as first fruits to the LORD. ¹⁸ You shall present with the bread seven lambs a year old without blemish, one young bull, and two rams; they shall be a burnt offering to the LORD, along with their grain offering and their drink offerings, an offering by fire of pleasing odor to the LORD. ¹⁹ You shall also offer one male goat for a sin offering, and two male lambs a year old as a sacrifice of well-being. ²⁰ The priest shall raise them with the bread of the first fruits as an elevation offering before the LORD, together with the two lambs; they shall be holy to the LORD for the priest. ²¹ On that same day you shall make proclamation; you shall hold a holy convocation; you shall not work at your occupations. This is a statute forever in all your settlements throughout your generations.

²² When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very edges of your field, or gather the gleanings of your harvest; you shall leave them for the poor and for the alien: I am the LORD your God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Colossians 1:15-20

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 6:15-20

All: Glory to you, O Lord

²⁵ “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ ³² For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

All: Praise to you, O Christ



Creation Care Course 7.30-9.30pm Thursday Evenings ONLINE

This 4-week Creation Care Course is a unique collaboration between The Diocese of Chester, Heart-Edge, Melanesian Mission UK and Southampton University. We will provide you with vital information about climate change, its impacts on people, and reflect on our role as Christians in taking practical climate action.

Week 1: Caring for Creation (7th Oct)

Week 2: Understanding Climate Change (14th Oct)

Week 3: Living Climate Change – Stories from Melanesia (21 Oct)

Week 4: Taking Action – Caring for the Environment, Caring for People (18 Nov)

TO BOOK - GO TO <https://www.chester.anglican.org/cop26/cop26.php> and scroll down to the link

Revd Jane has booked and would be happy to chat, about what we discover and learn, with anyone else who decides to join - do let her know if you book!

SERVICES

From September

The new pattern of services will be:-

- 9.00am BCP HC at St Bartholomew's – every week
- 10.30am service every week:-
 - 1st Sunday – HC at St Barts
 - 2nd Sunday – All age at St Chads
 - 3rd Sunday – MW at St Barts
 - 4th Sunday – HC at St Chads
 - 5th Sunday – Baptism at St Barts – or HC if no baptism booked
- Wednesday 10.30am HC at St Chad's – every week

This pattern is subject to change for festivals etc. Please keep an eye on the website for accurate details for any given Sunday

SERVICES IN CHURCH:-

Sun 3rd October - HARVEST

9.00am BCP HC at St Barts

10.30am HC at St Barts

Sun 10th October

9.00am BCP HC at St Barts

10.30am All Age at St Chads

Sun 17th October

9.00am BCP HC at St Barts

10.30am MW at St Barts

Wednesdays 10.30am HC at St Chad's

ZOOM Services:-

Sunday 6.30pm Evening Prayer

Joining details available by emailing the Rector

It is that time of year when we would normally have a Children's Society Coffee Morning and collect boxes for emptying and counting. If you have a box that you would like emptied, please can you deliver it to Jean Heath (Barnstables, 233 Irby Road) or contact Barbara Kozler (342 8039), who will arrange collection. If neither of these options is suitable please drop the box off at the Parish Office at St Chad's.

**The
Children's
Society**

Alternatively you may prefer to make a cheque donation or you can donate online

<https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/how-you-can-help/donate>

Are you Experiencing Domestic Abuse?

Freephone 24 hr Helpline

0808 2000 247

Irby Pharmacy is a safe space

How to access a Safe Space

- Walk into any participating pharmacy in the UK.
 - Ask at the healthcare counter to use their Safe Space.
 - A pharmacist will show you to the Safe Space. Which will be the consultancy room.
 - Once inside, you will find displayed specialist domestic abuse support information for you to access, to make that call or access Bright Sky safely.
- Safe Spaces are open and ready for you to use.



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