

**The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
15th August 2021 - Trinity 11**



Collect

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your
kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have celebrated that one
true sacrifice which takes away our sins and
brings pardon and peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For our Community:

Please pray for local businesses

Please pray for those planning and preparing for the Scarecrow festival (29th Aug-4th Sept)

For our Church:

Please pray for our plans to re-open Tots and Tinies, and for re-opening the Hall to other User Groups

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:

Pray for countries world-wide struggling with the effects of Covid pandemic

For the Sick: Please pray for Elaine Kavanagh, Kate McMahon, Valerie and Norman Prescott (Dot Turner's friends) and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For the Bereaved: Please pray for families and friends of Roy Helsdown and the families and friends of all who died in the incident on Thursday evening in Keyham, Plymouth

TREASURER NEEDED

Due to a change in personal circumstances, our current PCC treasurer no longer has the time to carry out the treasurer's duties.

If you, or someone you know, might be able to take on this role, please let Revd Jane know ASAP.

TOTS 'N' TINIES

Thursday mornings 9.30-11.30am

We are hoping to re-open in September. We almost have enough people to support this group on a monthly rota. **If you could offer to help once a month in the kitchen and with registration, please let Revd Jane know ASAP.** We really only do need one or two more people and then we are good to go!

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Proverbs 9:1-6

⁹ Wisdom has built her house,
she has hewn her seven pillars.
² She has slaughtered her animals, she
has mixed her wine,
she has also set her table.
³ She has sent out her servant-girls,
she calls
from the highest places in the town,
⁴ "You that are simple, turn in here!"
To those without sense she says,
⁵ "Come, eat of my bread
and drink of the wine I have mixed.
⁶ Lay aside immaturity, and live,
and walk in the way of insight."

Psalm 111 (New Century Version) : Praise the LORD's Goodness

¹ Praise the LORD!
I will thank the LORD with all my heart
in the meeting of his good people.
² The LORD does great things;
those who enjoy them seek them.
³ What he does is glorious and splendid,
and his goodness continues forever.
⁴ His miracles are unforgettable.
The LORD is kind and merciful.
⁵ He gives food to those who fear him.
He remembers his agreement forever.
⁶ He has shown his people his power
when he gave them the lands of other nations.
⁷ Everything he does is good and fair;
all his orders can be trusted.
⁸ They will continue forever.
They were made true and right.
⁹ He sets his people free.
He made his agreement everlasting.
He is holy and wonderful.
¹⁰ Wisdom begins with respect for the LORD;
those who obey his orders have good understanding.
He should be praised forever.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Ephesians 5:15-20

¹⁵ Be careful then how you live,
not as unwise people but as
wise, ¹⁶ making the most of the
time, because the days are
evil. ¹⁷ So do not be foolish, but
understand what the will of the
Lord is. ¹⁸ Do not get drunk with
wine, for that is debauchery; but
be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ as you
sing psalms and hymns and
spiritual songs among yourselves,
singing and making melody to the
Lord in your hearts, ²⁰ giving
thanks to God the Father at all
times and for everything in the
name of our Lord Jesus Christ.



GOSPEL READING: John 6:51-58

All: Glory to you, O Lord

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³ So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵ for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

All: Praise to you, O Christ

AUGUST 2021 SERVICES

ZOOM Services:-

*Joining details available
by emailing the Rector*

**1st,8th,15th,22nd,29th
6.30pm Evening Prayer**

SERVICES IN CHURCH:-

**Sun 15th August 8.00am BCP HC at St Barts
9.30am MW at St Chad's**

**Sun 22nd August 9.30am HC at St Chad's
11.15am HC at St Bart's**

**Sun 29th August 8.00am BCP HC at St Barts
9.30am HC at St Chad's**

Wednesdays 10.15am HC at St Chad's

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

Buzz's Bee Trail at St Bartholomew's Church Yard.

There are 9 Bee challenges hidden for you to find.



In early July the clergy received a pastoral letter from Bishop Mark which stated:-

"The guidelines already encourage clergy to try to take two consecutive days off once a month. We want to give warm permission to take two days off a week between now and September, even though this might seem like an impossible dream to some of you."

So for the last week of July and the whole of August Revd Jane intends wherever possible to have Monday and Tuesday as days off.



29th August to 4th September

Build your scarecrow and display in your garden or front of your business for all to see and enjoy!

Please visit our Facebook page for inspiration!



Thingwall Irby Pensby
Summer Scarecrow Festival



Have you or your loved ones had your coronavirus vaccine?



Give thanks with a donation to Christian Aid to help protect the most vulnerable people across the world, while the vaccine is out of reach. Find out more:-

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/give/ways-donate/give-thanks-your-coronavirus-vaccine>

Are you Experiencing Domestic Abuse?

Freephone 24 hour 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.