

Notices and announcements!!!

<u>Thank you</u> to everyone who sponsored Jan Trigg. She made the fantastic sum of £811.00 for The Princes Trust.

Thursday 4th August 10.30am - 12 noon. Coffee Morning at the Rectory.

<u>Friday 12th August</u> 6.00 -9.00pm BBQ at St Chad's - Bring your own food and drink, picnic rug, plates etc! If you can offer to bring a BBQ and/or help with supervising the cooking, please let Revd Jane know.

Summer Closure of St Chad's August 15th - 27th inclusive Volunteers needed to help with the

maintenance at St Chad's. Please see the list at the back of church, detailing work to be done and put your name down if you are able to help in any way. Thank you, Roger Jackson, Church Warden.

Wellspring - August 18th 8.00pm-9.00pm at the Rectory - Please come and pray for our Parish.

<u>Saturday 20th August</u> St Beartholomew's Day, 2.00pm - 4.00pm at St Bartholomew's. Bring a teddy, make a parachute. Side stalls and refreshments available.

Friday 26th August 2.00pm -4.00pm. Afternoon Tea at the Rectory.

Thursday 1st September M.U. Canon Bob Evans at St. Chads 2.15pm.

Friday 2nd September EMU 'Summer Meal, 7.30pm at Maluca.

Friday 2nd September M.U. Deanery Quiet Afternoon at St. Michaels, Newton 2.00pm.

<u>Sidespeople at St Chads</u>: Thank you to those who have volunteered. If anyone else can help please speak to Revd Jane or Roger Jackson (church warden). You need to be able to arrive at St Chad's by 9.00am and be physically fit enough to set up the chairs, and then be willing to stay until all the chairs have been cleared away after the service (very often there are others willing to help at this point). The aim is to have enough people, so that you are only on duty once every six weeks and working in pairs. The more people who can offer to help in this way, the less often you will need to be on duty! In addition the role involves welcoming people, giving out the books, taking the offertory and letting Junior Church know that it's time to come back into the service. We will ensure that new volunteers are paired up with existing people so that you can have "on the job" training!

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Gospel Reading: (Matt 13:31-33,44-52)

All : Glory to you, O Lord

31Jesus put before the crowd another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field:

32it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

33He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.

44The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

45Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls;

460n finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

47Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; 48when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad.

49So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous 50and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

51Have you understood all this?' They answered, 'Yes.'

52And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Readings for	Readings for
Today	31st July
1 Kgs 3:5-12	Is 55:1-5
Rom 8:26-39	Rom 9:1-5
Matt 13:31-33,44-52	Matt 14:13-21

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for South Sudan, the World's newest nation. Please continue to pray for East Africa as they suffer the worst drought in 60 years.

For the parish: Please pray for happy holidays and safe journeys.

For the sick: We continue to pray for Bishop James of Liverpool, Lil Ormsby, Finlay Joyce, Anita Fath, Diana Martyn, Bethan Shone and those known to us.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Port Elizabeth - (South Africa)

The Rt Revd Nceba Bethlehem Nopece.

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Sale Saint Anne, Saint Francis Church Hall Julian Heaton; Paul Edwards, Alan Ward (Readers).