

# The Churches of St Bartholomew & St Chad Thurstaston and Irby



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23 And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by  
himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,

24 but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the  
land, for the wind was against them.

25 And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the  
lake.

26 But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were  
terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear.

27 But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do  
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28 Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you  
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29 He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the  
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30 But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and  
beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!'

31 Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to  
him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?'

32 When they got into the boat, the wind ceased.

33 And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the  
Son of God.'

**All: Praise to you, O Christ**

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 the power of his death and passion  
 that, in his saving cup,  
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