

Notices and announcements!!!

<u>Sponsored Swim</u> Sally Jackson & Sally Lang who are members of West Kirby disabled swimming club are going to donate an hour's swimming to the 'Open Door Fund' at St Bartholomew's (Reg. Charity No. 1132086). Please see sponsor forms at the back of church, or alternatively send a cheque payable to the 'Open Door Fund' to the parish office (address at bottom of page), not forgetting to gift aid if possible. Many thanks.

<u>Praise and Play:</u> Helen Boothman (a member of the PCC) has agreed to try and re-launch "Praise and Play". This will be on a Wednesday afternoon (approx 1.30-3.00pm) at St Chad's, and we hope to re-open in May. In order for this to happen we will need a number of people willing to be involved on a rota basis with making refreshments, helping with craft (on the day and advance preparation), reading the story, welcoming new people etc. Whether you are a mother, a father, a grandparent, a childminder, or just someone who enjoys being with small children and their families, your help will be welcomed. If you can help in any way (regularly or otherwise), then you are invited to a meeting to discuss this further on Wednesday 7th March 1.30pm at St Chad's. If you would like to offer help but can't make this meeting then please let Revd Jane know.

<u>Christian Aid Week 12–19th May 2012</u> Wendy Wolstencroft has very ably co-ordinated the house to house collections for the past couple of years, but is unable to do so this year. Please could you speak to Revd Jane if you think you could take on this responsibility on behalf of our church.

<u>Magazine subscriptions</u> If you see your deliverer please pay them, or alternatively post a cheque for £4.00 payable to Thurstaston PCC, to St Chad's Church Office, Roslin Road, Irby, CH61 3UH. Thank you to all who have already paid. <u>APCM Reports</u> We need your reports asap. Whilst everything that has happened in the last year is still fresh in your mind, please start writing your reports of activities from Jan-Dec 2011 and e-mail them to the parish office at **office@thurstaston.org.uk** Thank you to all who have already sent their report.

M.U. AGM & Mosquito Drive, Thursday 2nd February, 2.15pm at St Chad's.

Men's Breakfast Saturday 4th February, 9-10am at Aroma Café, Irby Village.

Wellspring Thursday February 16th, 8.00pm at the Rectory.

<u>2nd Irby Rainbows</u> who meet at St Chad's on Tuesdays , 6pm to 7pm, are looking for another adult who would like to help on a regular weekly basis. Rainbows are aged between 5 and 7 years old, and there are currently 16 in the pack. It would be great if you could join us! Please contact me if you would like any extra information: Karen Fearns tel: 07795547664 or email <u>fearnsnicol@yahoo.co.uk</u>

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Gospel Reading: (Mark 1:21-28)

All :Glory to you, O Lord

21The disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, Jesus entered the synagogue and taught.

22They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.

23Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit,

24and he cried out, 'What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to

destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.'

25But Jesus rebuked him, saying, 'Be silent, and come out of him!'

26And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions and crying with a loud voice, came out of him.

27They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, 'What is this? A new

teaching - with authority! He commands even

the unclean spirits, and they obey him.'

28At once his fame began to spread

throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

God of heaven, you send the gospel to the ends of the earth and your messengers to every nation: send your Holy Spirit to transform us by the good news of everlasting life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Generous Lord,

in word and eucharist we have proclaimed the mystery of your love: help us so to live out our days that we may be signs of your wonders in the world; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen

Readings for Today Deut 18:15-20 Rev 12:1-5a Mark 1:21-28

Readings for 5th February Is 40:21-31 1 Cor 9:16-23 Mark 1:29-39

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for the people of Fiji after severe flooding and landslides.

For the parish: Please pray for all the wedding couples attending a marriage preparation day on Saturday. Please pray for Jeremy Taylor & Anna Green, Andrew Workman & Victoria Turner, Paul Evans & Rebecca Ledsom, Steve Ladell & Debbie Huxley. all having their banns read at St Bartholomew's next week.

For the sick: We continue to pray for Karen Jones, Marian Mansbridge, Karen Ormsby, and those known to us.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Luwero - (Uganda) The Rt Revd Evans Mukasa Kisekka.

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Chester Deanery

Worship, work and witness of all churches in the Deanery.