The Churches of

St Bartholomew & St Chad Thurstaston and Irby



Welcome to Church today, we hope that you enjoy the service, and gain a sense of God's presence with us.

Sunday 5th February 2012 - 3rd Sunday before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion St Bart's 9.30am Family Service St Chad's 11.15am Holy Communion St Bart's 6.30pm Holy Communion St Bart's

Next Weeks Services

Wednesday Mid-week Service

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

Sunday 12th February - 2nd Sunday before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion St Bart's
9.30am Holy Communion St Chad's
11.15am Morning Worship St Bart's
6.30pm Evening Worship St Bart's

Junior Church at St Chad's Children from age 2½ can attend.

There are activity bags available for children under the age of $2\frac{1}{2}$.

In case you feel the need to remove your child from the service, please note that there is also a box of toys and cushions in the foyer

Would you like to receive this notice sheet every week direct to your e-mail inbox? If so, please send an e-mail request to the parish

Notices and announcements!!!

<u>Thank You</u> Following our celebration of World Leprosy Day, and thanks to the generosity of both congregations, I was able to send a cheque for £189.29p to the Leprosy Mission. Hopefully, as a parish, you feel more informed about the work of the Mission, and will continue to pray for and support the cause. Once again thank you for your kindness. Pat Hulme.

<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.

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 fearnsnicol@yahoo.co.uk

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Gospel Reading: (Mark 1:29-39)

All :Glory to you, O Lord

29As soon as Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.

30Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once.

31He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

32That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons.

33And the whole city was gathered around the door.

34And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

35In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.

36And Simon and his companions hunted for him.

37When they found him, they said to him, 'Everyone is searching for you.'
38He answered, 'Let us go on to the

neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.'

39And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

Eternal God, whose Son went among the crowds and brought healing with his touch: help us to show his love, in your Church as we gather together, and by our lives as they are transformed into the image of Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,

who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life, that those who come to him should never hunger: draw us to the Lord in faith and love, that we may eat and drink with him at his table in the kingdom, where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen

Readings for Today

Is 40:21-31 1 Cor 9:16-23 Mark 1:29-39

Readings for 12th February

Prov 8:1,22-31 Col 1:1-15 John 1:1-14

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for the families of football fans killed in the riots in Egypt on Wednesday.

For the parish: 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 today.

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

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Mahajanga - (Indian Ocean)

The Rt Revd Jean-Claude Andrianjafimanana.

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Christleton Saint James

Vacant. Wayne Morris (Reader); Bernice Hogg (Pastoral Worker).