

# 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 4th March 2012 - Lent 2

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 11th March - Lent 3 Thanksgiving Sunday

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 2½.  
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 in-  
box? If so, please send an  
e-mail request to the parish

## Notices and announcements!!!

**Thank You** The fantastic sum of £917.88, which includes Gift Aid, has been raised for Open Door from the Sponsored Swim. 69 people (some not connected with the Parish) generously gave for the Swim. Many thanks to both Sallys for completing this challenge. Also raised for the Open Door £220 from the Burns Evening (in conjunction with North Wirral Rotary) - thanks to Archie Peat; and £114 from the Birkenhead Land Registry Staff Charity Fund - thanks to Julie DeBoorder.

**Ways to Pray** Alternate Thursdays in Lent. March 8th: Colourful Prayer and other creative ways of praying.

**Sunday 3rd June 2012** Could you organise a **BIG JUBILEE LUNCH EVENT** for our Church Community? If so, please speak to Patsy (648 4379) who is our social events co-ordinator. See mag. for more info

**Praise and Play:** 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 7<sup>th</sup> March 1.30pm at St Chad's.**

**PCC Meeting** The PCC will meet on Monday 12th March, 7.30pm at St Chad's. Main items on the agenda will be to confirm the accounts and the annual report. If you have any items of concern or questions about the life of the church, that you would like the PCC to consider, please speak to Revd Jane or any member of the PCC.

**Electoral Roll** Revised Electoral Roll now being displayed. The roll will be revised by Saturday 31st March. Current members need take no action, except to check details are correct. Anyone wishing to be added to the roll must be resident within the parish or be a regular attendee at worship. Please complete an application form and return to John Roberts c/o the parish office.

**Christian Aid Week 12-19th May 2012** 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.

**West Wirral Scout & Guide Gang Show** present 'A Night at the Movies' at Gladstone Theatre, Port Sunlight on Thursday 29th - Saturday 31st March at 7.30pm, (2.30pm Sat Matinee). Adults £8, Concs/child £6. Ticket Hotline: 07905 534 906 <http://www.wwgangshow.org.uk>

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REVD JANE TURNER 648 1816 (Day off Tuesday) E-Mail: [rector@thurstaston.org.uk](mailto:rector@thurstaston.org.uk)

## Gospel Reading: (Mark 8:31-38)

**All :Glory to you, O Lord**

31 Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

32 He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

33 But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

34 He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

35 For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

36 For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life?

37 Indeed, what can they give in return for their life?

38 Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

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

### **Collect**

Almighty God,  
by the prayer and discipline of Lent  
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,  
and by following in his Way  
come to share in his glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Almighty God,  
you see that we have no power of ourselves to help  
ourselves:  
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,  
and inwardly in our souls;  
that we may be defended from all adversities  
which may happen to the body,  
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and  
hurt the soul;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

<b>Readings for Today</b> Gen 17:1-7,15-16 Rom 4:13-25 Mark 8:31-38	<b>Readings for 11th March</b> Ex 20:1-17 1 Cor 1:18-25 John 2:13-22
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### **FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**For the parish:** Please pray for Jeremy Taylor & Anna Green to be married at St Bartholomew's on Saturday.

**For the sick:** We continue to pray for Joseph Da Costa, and those known to us.

**From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:**

**PRAY for The Church of England**

The Most Revd and Rt Hon Dr Rowan Douglas Williams  
Archbishop of Canterbury.

**From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:**

**Runcorn All Saints[1]** John Hayes, Marion Hayes;  
Jean Rowe (Pastoral Worker).