

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 29th April 2012 - Easter 4

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

Next Weeks Services

Mid-week Services

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

Sunday 6th May - Easter 5

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

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!!!

Mothers' Union Coffee Morning, 10.30am at St Nicholas, Greasby on Monday 30th April.

Mothers' Union Margaret Fletcher 'My visit to Buckingham Palace', 2.15pm at St Chad's.

Wellspring (Prayer Group) - Thursday 10th May 8pm at the Rectory. Everyone Welcome. Please note change of date, due to Ascension Day service the following week!

St Chad's Tots and Tinies New Toddler group, provisional starting date Thursday 10th May 9.30-11.30am at St Chad's. This will be run along the style of a parent/carer and toddler group and will be open to all. If you have a toddler and want more information (or would be willing to help on a rota basis) please give your name and contact details to Revd Jane or leave them at the parish office. For further information please call Carol on 07790311340.

Christian Aid afternoon tea at Irby Methodist Church on Saturday 12th May 2-4pm. Admission by ticket or at the door £3.50. There will be a cake stall, raffle and Fairtrade stall. Christian Aid envelopes will be available in church soon or at the afternoon tea, as there will not be any house to house collections in Irby this year. Please could people supply cakes for the cake stall which is to be manned by St Chad's & St Bartholomew's, so volunteers please to contact Patsy Brady on 648 4379.

Ascension Day Service, Holy Communion on Thursday 17th May at St Bartholomew's, **not** St Chad's as printed on rotas.

Church Magazine Due to a technical fault with the office photocopier, the printing and distributing of Crosstalk is delayed until next week. However there are a few large copies at the back of both churches.

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.

Special Ecumenical Wirral Churches Service to celebrate Queen's Diamond Jubilee: Sunday 10th June, 3.30pm, Christ the King Birkenhead. Two representatives from each parish invited to attend. If you'd like to be one of our representatives please let Revd Jane know.

Guides We are again collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers and Tesco for Schools and Clubs vouchers.

House and car keys have been found in St Chad's car park. Please speak to Revd Jane if you think they may be yours.

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Gospel Readings: (John 10:11-18)

All :Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said to the Pharisees:

11'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

12The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away – and the wolf snatches them and scatters them.

13The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep.

14I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me,

15just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.

16I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

17For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

18No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Readings for Today

Acts 4:5-12
1 John 3:16-24
John 10:11-18

Readings for 6th May

Acts 8:26-40
1 John 22:25-31
John 15:1-8

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for the UK economy to recover as it slips back into recession.

For the parish: Please pray for David Forrester & Sarah Buckley, Ivan Kennes & Diana Turner, Mark Arnold & Rhiannon Dunne, all having their banns read today at St Bartholomew's. Please pray for Steve Ladell & Debbie Huxley to be married at St Bartholomew's on Saturday.

For the sick: We continue to pray for Pauline Jackson and Emma Long and those known to us.

For the bereaved: Please pray for Jan Trigg and family and friends, after the loss of Jan's mum. Please pray for the family & friends of Joan Taylor, Tina Samson's auntie.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya

The Most Revd Dr Eliud Wabukala Primate and Archbishop of All Kenya.

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Handicapped and disabled members of our churches and their special gifts.