

# 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 9th December-Advent 2

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

### Next Weeks Services

#### Mid-week Service

10.15am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
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### Sunday 16th December - Advent 3

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Nativity	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 office

## Notices and announcements!!!

**A Big Thank You** to the Christmas Fair Committee for a fabulous afternoon which raised in excess of £1100.

**Christmas Services** See mag for details of all services. If you need a lift or could offer a lift to the Christmas Day Service, please sign the list at the back of church.

**Sunday 16th December** Nativity Service, 9.30am at St Chad's.

**Sunday 23rd December** Carol Service, 6.30pm at Irby Methodist Church.

**Crosstalk** The Parish magazine for Dec/Jan is available at the back of church.

**Treasurer required** Chris Eden has handed in his notice as treasurer for personal reasons. Ideally we need a new treasurer by the end of the year. If this could be you or you can suggest someone, please speak to Revd Jane.

**In Dulci Jubilo Renaissance Music Group** - 9th December 8pm Liverpool Anglican Cathedral Lady Chapel. A selection of German baroque music sung by a largely unaccompanied choir telling the Christmas story. There will also be music from an early music instrumental group Sonatas a tre.

Tickets £8 from Chris Turnbull tel 6250089 or on the door or at the cathedral shop.

**"Save the Date"** for a quiz night at St Chad's on 2nd Feb at 7.15pm.

To be organised by Viv Hutchison.

There will be light refreshments and a raffle and the winning teams will receive a small prize after battling it out over a variety of rounds. Tickets will cost £3 each and will be available after Christmas. Any surplus funds will be donated to church funds. So put the date in your diary and join us for a fun evening.

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## Gospel Readings: (Luke 3:1-6)

### All :Glory to you, O Lord

1In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, 2during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. 3He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, 4as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, ‘The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: “Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. 5Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; 6and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”’

### All: Praise to you, O Christ

#### **Collect**

Almighty God,  
purify our hearts and minds,  
that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as  
judge and saviour  
we may be ready to receive him,  
who is our Lord and our God.

*Amen*

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

Father in heaven,  
who sent your Son to redeem the world  
and will send him again to be our judge:  
give us grace so to imitate him  
in the humility and purity of his first coming  
that, when he comes again,  
we may be ready to greet him  
with joyful love and firm faith;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

#### **Readings for Today**

Malachi 3:1-4  
Phil 1:3-11  
Luke 3:1-6

#### **Readings for 16th December**

Zeph 3:14-20  
Phil 4:4-7  
Luke 3:7-18

#### **FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**For the World:** Please pray for the people of the Philippines after the typhoon which hit Mindanao island on Tuesday.

**For the sick:** We continue to pray for, Joseph DaCosta, Ken Gill & and those known to us.

**For the bereaved:** Please pray for the family & friends of Gladys Cain.

**From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:**

**Kigezi - (Uganda)**

The Rt Revd George Katwesigye.

**From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:**

**Stockport Deanery**

Retired and non-parochial Clergy, Readers, staff and pupils of church schools.