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 30th December-Christmas 1

8.00am	Holy Communion	1 St Bart's
9.30am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
6.30pm	Evening Worshi	p St Bart's
Next Weeks Services		
Mid-week Services		
10.15am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
Sunday 6th January - Epiphany		
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 office

Notices and announcements!!!

Children's Society Thank you to all the box holders who collected a total of £781.92.

<u>Unused Christmas Cracker Crowns</u> required for family service on January 6th. If you are the kind of family that pull the crackers and don't wear the crowns, then can you please keep them and pass them to Revd Jane or bring them with you to the 9.30am service on January 6th. Thank You.

<u>Treasurer required</u> Chris Eden has handed in his notice as treasurer for personal reasons. We need a new treasurer as soon as possible. The role can be split into several component parts. If you think you could help in a small way, please speak to Revd Jane.

M.U. Communion Service with Rev Jane on Thursday 3rd January, 2.15pm at St Chad's.

Wellspring January 17th 8-9pm at The Rectory - An opportunity to Listen to God and to Pray.

EMU 'Tea & Toast/Bring & Buy', 9.30am-11.30am on Saturday 19th January at St Chad's.

<u>PCC Meeting</u> The PCC will meet on Monday 21st January 2013, 7.30pm at St Chad's. 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.

<u>General Synod Decision on Women Bishops:</u> Bishop Peter invites YOU to an open meeting for Laity at Foxhill (Tarvin Rd, Frodsham, WA6 6XB) on 31st January 2013 7.00 for 7.30pm. The primary purpose is to enable Bishop Peter and others to listen to a range of opinions and reaction from within the diocese, and to discuss ways in which the question of women in the episcopate might now be taken forward.

"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.

Robin Hood presented by West Wirral Gang Show Theatre Group, starring Sophie Wolstencroft and William & Georgia Brady. 31st Jan, 1st & 2nd Feb 2.00pm & 7.30pm at St Andrews Church Hall, Graham Road West Kirby. Ticket Hotline: 677 6525, Concessions £3, Adults £4. 10% Discount on bookings of 10 or more tickets. Crosstalk The Parish magazine for Dec/Jan is available at the back of church.

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Gospel Readings: (Luke 2:41-52)

All :Glory to you, O Lord

41Every year the parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. 42And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. 43When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. 44Assuming that he was in the group of travellers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. 45When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. 46After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. 47And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. 48When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him. 'Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.' 49He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' 50But they did not understand what he said to them. 51Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

52And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favour.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

God in Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love: gather the nations to be one family, and draw us into your holy life through the birth of Emmanuel, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Heavenly Father,

whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home:

help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; hrough Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Readings for Today

1 Sam 2:18-20,26 Col 3:12-17 Luke 2:41-52

Readings for 6th January 2013

Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:1-12 Matt 2:1-12

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please continue to pray for peace in Bethlehem.

For the parish: Please pray for Jamie Edgerton & Elizabeth Knowles to be married at St Bartholomew's on Saturday.

Please pray for Paul Roberts and Hannah Smith & Mark Brindley & Lydia Sullivan having their banns read at St Bartholomew's on Sunday.

For the sick: We continue to pray for those known to us.

For the bereaved: Please pray for all those who miss their loved ones at this special time of year.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle: Kuching-(South East Asia)

The Rt Revd Bolly Lapok; The Rt Revd Aeries Sumping (Assistant Bishop).