

# 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 23rd February 2014 - Sunday before Lent

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

### Next Weeks Services

#### Mid-week Service

10.15am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
<b>Sunday 2nd March - St Chad's Day</b>		

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No 6.30pm Service

### 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!!!

**Sunday 2nd March St Chad's Day** Special services to celebrate our patron saint at **10.30am** at St Chad's and **11.15am** at St Bartholomew's. Please join us for a 'Bring & Share' lunch at **12.30pm** at St Chad's. 8.00am service as usual. There will be no evening service. (There will be family games/crafts at St Chad's between 10.30 service and lunch so there is no need for people to go home in-between).

**News in brief from PCC Away Day:** Your PCC is committed to seeing numerical and spiritual growth within our congregations. A couple of PCC members will be putting together a questionnaire over the next month or so. The aim is to help the PCC find the best ways for us to achieve this. If there is anyone within the congregation who would like to work alongside these PCC Members in getting the right questions and the best wording, then please speak to either Revd Jane, Andrew Harford or Roger Dennison.

**Electoral Roll:** The Church Electoral roll is a list of people who consider themselves to belong to our church. Every 6 years this list has to be wiped clean and we start again with a clean sheet of paper. Last year was the start again point. Many of our regular members failed to fill in the form and are therefore not currently on our electoral roll. NOW is the time to remedy that. The existing roll is being displayed on the notice board and forms are available at the back of church. Please check if you are on the roll and IF NOT fill in a form by 16th March! More info will be in the March magazine.

**Calligraphy:** Do you (or someone you know) do Calligraphy? The lady who has done the entries in our Book of Remembrance for the past 8 years, has a new job and is no longer able to do it for us. We need someone who could write up three or four names every two to three months. It's not a large commitment and Revd Jane would be very grateful to hear from anyone who can help in this way.

**Men's Breakfast** Saturday 1st March 8.45-9.45am at Aroma Café, Irby.

**Parish Outing** to Lichfield Cathedral and The National Memorial Arboretum on Tuesday 17th June 2014. Everyone welcome. Cost £15.00. More details in the parish magazine. Book your place ASAP. Give your name and a non-refundable £5.00 deposit to Leslie Worrall or Alan Jones, or put in an envelope and deliver to the Parish Office.

**The February Magazine** is now available at the back of church. If you have your magazine delivered, subscriptions for 2014 are now due. See magazine for how to pay. If you do not have a magazine delivered, then please pick up a copy or contact the office (648 8169), to arrange to have it delivered. It is full of information about forthcoming events and interesting articles. Only 40p.

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Church Office open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9.30am-12.30pm (term time) Tel 648 8169

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REVD JANE TURNER 648 1816 (Day off Tuesday)

E-Mail: [rector@thurstaston.org.uk](mailto:rector@thurstaston.org.uk)

## Gospel Readings: (Matt 6:25-34)

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

Jesus taught his disciples, saying: 25‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? 26Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? 27And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? 28And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, 29yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. 30But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you— you of little faith? 31Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” 32For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. 34So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.’

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

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
give us reverence for all creation  
and respect for every person,  
that we may mirror your likeness  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

### *Post Communion Prayer*

God our creator,  
by your gift  
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly  
paradise,  
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:  
may we who have been nourished at your table on  
earth  
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour’s cross  
and enjoy the delights of eternity;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

#### **Readings for Today**

Gen 1:1-2:3  
Rom 8:18-25  
Matt 6:25-34

#### **Readings for 2nd March**

1 Tim 6:11b-16  
Luke 14:7-11

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

**For the World:** Please continue to pray for the people affected by flooding around the UK.

**For the sick:** Please continue to pray for Sally Lang, Margaret Mude and Betty Withy. Please pray for those in hospital.

**For the bereaved:** Please pray for the family & friends of Nora Davies.

#### **From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:**

Archbishop Armando Guerra Soria Primate of IARCA & Bishop of Guatemala.

#### **From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:**

Pray for Bishops Keith and Robert and members of the Parish Development Team as they prepare and deliver the GAP4 launch sessions.

Advanced Notice of  
Lent, Holy Week and Easter Special Services

**Ash Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

7.30pm Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

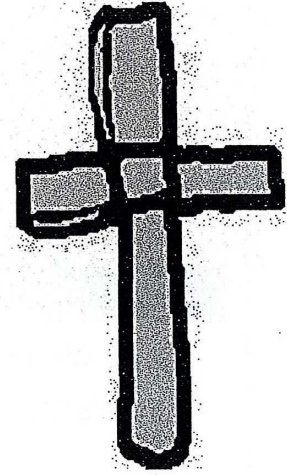
**Palm Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April**

8.00am BCP Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

9.30am Family Communion at St Chad's

11.15am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

6.30pm Taize Service at St Chad's



**Maundy Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April**

7.30pm Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

*There is also a service at 11.00am at Chester Cathedral*

**Good Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April**

10.00-11.30am Easter Journey Experience at St Chad's

Lots of fun things to do and make: Everyone will travel together on a journey around the building with crafts, activities and stories taking us on a journey from Palm Sunday through to Easter Day

10.00am Short Morning Service in St Chad's Extension

2.00pm "Hour at the Cross"

Meditative Service at St. Bartholomew's

**Easter Day 20<sup>th</sup> April**

8.00am BCP Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

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**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April (Sunday After Easter)**

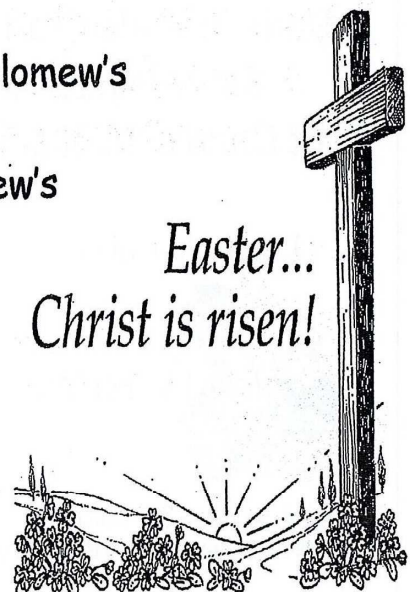
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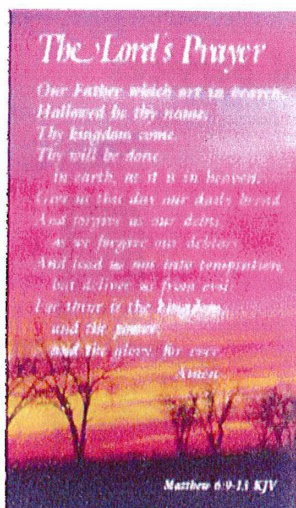
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NO Evening Service

*Easter...  
Christ is risen!*







## The Lord's Prayer

Take a closer  
look during Lent  
Thursday  
Evenings  
8.00-9.00pm  
St Chad's

Over six weeks we will explore each  
powerful line of the Lord's Prayer

March 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, April 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>



12noon Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Mar  
at the Rectory  
(77 Thingwall Rd)  
Donations please  
profit to  
"REACH for Rwanda"

## A Lenten Prayer Resource

Visit [www.chester.anglican.org](http://www.chester.anglican.org) from Ash  
Wednesday (5<sup>th</sup> March). You will find  
there "Lent 2014: Following Jesus" – a  
daily-changing meditation on Matthew's  
gospel, written by Loveday Alexander,  
Canon Theologian at Chester Cathedral.  
Read it daily – you'll see the link to it on  
the right hand side of the home page.

There may be others  
But dates not yet fixed.  
Watch this space!

## Dads 'n' Kids Craft Morning Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March St Chad's 10.00am-12noon

Leave Mum at home for some peace

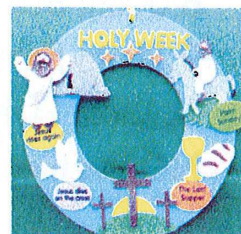


Come and Make things  
For Mothering Sunday.

Mothering Sunday – 30<sup>th</sup> March  
For details of Services see the Back Cover of the Magazine

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