

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 6th April 2014 - Lent 5

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Family Service	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
6.30pm	APCM	St Chad's

Next Weeks Services

Mid-week Service

10.15am Wed	Holy Communion	St Chad's
	Sunday 13th April - Palm Sunday	
8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Family Communion	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
6.30pm	Taize Service	St Chad's
	Maundy Thursday 17th April	
7.30pm	Holy Communion	St Bart's
	Good Friday 18th April	
10.00am	Morning Service in St Chad's extension	
10.00am	Easter Journey Experience (see below)	
2.00pm	Hour at The Cross (quiet reflective service) in 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!!!

APCM tonight, 6.30pm at St Chad's. Please come along. We need nominations for various posts, which must be handed in this morning (before the meeting)

Taize Service 6.30pm on Sunday 13th April at St Chad's. Rehearsal at 8.15pm-9.15pm on Wednesday 9th April at St Chad's.

Easter Journey Experience Good Friday 18th April, 10.00-11.30am 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. In addition there will be a short morning service in St Chad's extension at 10.00am.

Confirmation - Is it for YOU? We have a confirmation preparation course planned - due to begin on Sunday 25th May and hope to have a Confirmation Service on 14th Sept 2014. If you would like to join the three adults (two of whom also need to be baptised) already committed then please speak to Rev'd Jane Turner as soon as possible (648 1816).

Please join us to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Ordination of Simon Beckley & Joe Edwardson on Saturday 7th June 2014

In order to ensure that we know how many people we need to get into St Bart's for the service and therefore how many people to cater for, **You will need a Ticket!** Tickets available from the parish office or from Leslie Worrall (at 9.30am services) or Alan Jones (at 11.15am services) or Laurie Kingsbury (at 8.00am services). Please see parish magazine for more information.

Cleaning at St Bart's. We desperately need new people to go on the cleaning rota at St. Bart's Church. It's not an onerous job. Dusting the pews, cleaning the brasses, hoovering the carpet & mopping the floor. Hopefully it only takes between an hour & an hour-and-a-half every 4-6-weeks, less if we get more volunteers. If you feel you could volunteer for this, please get in touch with June Bibby, either in Church on a Sunday morning, 11.15am, or on 678 8124. Thank you, in anticipation.

Parish Walk to Hilbre Island on Sat 10th May Full details in the parish mag. Please sign the list at the back if you intend to come.

Stuart Townend will be coming to St Andrew's, Bebington on Thursday, 15 May 2014. Time 7.30pm. Tickets £15 and £12 concession (under 18, unwaged and over 65). For tickets please contact Ash Vestergaard on 0151 201 7801, 07873287218 or email ash@vestergaard.co.uk Rev'd Jane is going to this event. If you want to go please book your own ticket and then let her know.

Chester Diocesan Lay Conference: 16-18th May 2014. Bookings may now be made using the downloadable booking form—see the events page on the diocesan website (www.chester.anglican.org) or ask Rev'd Jane to print one off for you! Full details in parish mag.

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Gospel Readings: (John 11:1-45)

All :Glory to you, O Lord

1A certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. 2Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. 3So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.' 4But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.' 5Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, 6after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

7Then after this he said to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea again.' 8The disciples said to him, 'Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?' 9Jesus answered, 'Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. 10But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.' 11After saying this, he told them, 'Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.' 12The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.' 13Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. 14Then Jesus told them plainly, 'Lazarus is dead. 15For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.' 16Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with him.'

17When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. 18Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, 19and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. 20When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. 21Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' 23Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' 24Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' 25Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, 26and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' 27She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

28When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, 'The Teacher is here and is calling for you.' 29And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. 30Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. 31The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. 32When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' 33When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. 34He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' 35Jesus began to weep. 36So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' 37But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'

38Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. 39Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.'

Collect

Gracious Father,
you gave up your Son
out of love for the world:
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,
that we may know eternal peace
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us
that what we do for the least of our brothers and
sisters
we do also for you:
give us the will to be the servant of others
as you were the servant of all,
and gave up your life and died for us,
but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

Amen

**Readings for
Today**
Ezek 37:1-14
Rom 8:6-11
John 11:1-45

**Readings for
13th April**
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FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for the families & friends of the 12 year old girl who tragically died when a wall collapsed on her at a school in Edinburgh.

For the parish: Please pray for the APCM (tonight), especially for a new Treasurer to be found.

For the sick: Please continue to pray for Tricia O'Brien, Sally Lang & Mike Bennett. Please pray for those in hospital.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Archbishop Nathaniel Makoto Uematsu, Primate of The Nippon Sei Ko Kai & Bishop of Hokkaido (Japan)

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Pray for all involved in manufacturing, of any kind, and pray for the retention and development of skills.

40Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' 41So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. 42I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' 43When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' 44The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

45Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

