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Notices and announcements!!!

<u>Attic Sale</u> Thank you to all who helped, donated or participated at the Attic Sale. £204.00 was raised for the M.U. Literacy Fund. <u>MWIB & Women's Fellowship</u> at Irby Methodist Church, will be holding their Easter Service on Tuesday 15th April at 2.15pm. <u>Easter Journey Experience</u> 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.

Easter Exhibition of Arts and Crafts inspired by faith in the risen Christ (9th April-31st May) at Voirrey Crafts Ltd, Brimstage Hall Courtyard, Brimstage Lane, Wirral, CH63 6JA. There are 25 exhibits from members of our church, so do go along and have a look. 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. Confirmation - Is it for YOU? We have a confirmation preparation course planned - due to begin on Sunday 25th May and hope to have a Comfirmation 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).

EMU Wednesday 30th April, 8pm at St Chad's. Flower arranging demonstration by Elaine Jones. All Welcome.

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

<u>Cleaning at St Bart's</u>. 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 hourand-a-half every 4-6-weeks, less if we get more volunteers. If you feel you could volunteer for this, <u>please</u> get in touch with June Bibby, either in Church on a Sunday morning, 11.15am, or on 678 8124. Thank you, in anticipation.

<u>Stuart Townend</u> 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 Revd Jane is going to this event. If you want to go please book your own ticket and then let her know. <u>Chester Diocesan Lay Conference: 16-18th May 2014.</u> Bookings may now be made using the downloadable booking form—see the

events page on the diocesan website (www.chester.anglican.org) or ask Revd Jane to print one off for you! Full details in parish mag.

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Gospel Reading: (Luke 19:28-40) All :Glory to you, O Lord

28After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. 29When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 30saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. 31If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it." ' 32So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. 33As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' 34They said, 'The Lord needs it.' 35Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. 36As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. 37As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, 38saying, 'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!' Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' 40He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

John 12:12-19

All :Glory to you, O Lord

12The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. 13So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord? the King of Israel!'

Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: 'Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!'

His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him. 17So the crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to testify. 18It was also because they heard that he had performed this sign that the crowd went to meet him. 19The Pharisees then said to one another, 'You see, you can do nothing. Look, the world has gone after him!'

Collect

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

Readings for
Today
Zechariah 9:9-10
Philippians 2:5-11
Luke 19:28-40
John 12:12-19

Readings for 20th April Acts 10:34-43 Col 3:1-4 John 20:1-18

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please continue to pray for the families & friends of the people lost in the missing Malaysian Airline jet and that the plane will soon be found, by the search teams.

For the parish: Please pray for the newly appointed PCC members.

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:

Bishop Suheil Dawani, Jerusalem (Jerusalem & Middle East)

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Pray that we too may journey with Our Lord during this Holy Week and pray for those with whom you will share the journey.