# 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 11th May 2014 - Easter 4

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Barts
9.30am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
11.15am	Morning Worship	St Bart's
	Next Weeks Service	es
	Mid-week Serv	vice
10.15am Wed	Holy Communion	St Chad's
	Sunday 18th May -	Easter 5
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## 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!!!

<u>Archdeacons Visitation</u> 7.30pm on Monday 12th May at Christchurch Birkenhead. Churchwardens must attend, sidespeople should attend. Please try to share lifts.

<u>Parish Outing</u> All money for Lichfield Cathedral trip needs to be paid to Leslie Worrall or Alan Jones by the end of May. <u>Thank You</u> I would like to thank everyone for all their support, letters (I didn't realise that people still wrote letters!!) and cards. It has been such an enormous comfort. Life for me has somewhat diminished in time, and I hope that your prayers will help me have a peaceful and pain free end. To all, may God bless you and Thank you. Love Sally Lang xx.

<u>Easter Exhibition of Arts and Crafts</u> 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.

<u>Christian Aid Coffee Morning</u> Saturday 17th May at Irby Methodist Church Hall, 10am-12noon. Entrance £3 incl. refreshments. Cakes, bring and buy, fair trade and raffle. PLEASE BRING A DONATION FOR THE CAKE STALL IF POSSIBLE. All very welcome.

Wellspring Monday 19th May, 8pm at The Rectory. An opportunity to Listen to God and to Pray.

<u>EMU</u> Wednesday 21st May 8pm at St Chad's. Provisionally, Wendy Poole with clothing and accessories from Dress to Impress Clothing. All Welcome.

<u>Confirmation - Is it for YOU?</u> We have a confirmation preparation course planned - due to begin on Sunday 25th May and 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).

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

<u>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>Commemorating 100 years</u> since the beginning of World War 1 on Saturday 12th July at St Chad's. There will be:-Displays of artwork, information about the men recorded on our War Memorial, a family history enquiry table, a display about "Animals in the War", refreshments. More information in the parish magazine.

<u>The May Magazine</u> is now available at the back of church. 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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#### Gospel Reading: (John 10:1-10)

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

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 1'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. 2The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. 3The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. 5They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' 6Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. 7So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. 8All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. 9I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. 10The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

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

#### Collect

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

#### Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,

you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,

and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:

keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Readings for	Readings for	
Today	18th May	
Acts 2:42-47	Acts 7:55-60	
1 Peter 2:19-25	1 Peter 2:2-10	
John 10:1-10	John 14:1-14	

#### FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for the release of the abducted girls in Nigeria.

Please pray for nursing staff, as International Nurses' Day falls on Monday 12th May, Florence Nightingale's birthday.

For the parish: Please pray for David Tacy & Hayley Cotton having their banns read at St Bartholomew's today. Please pray for all young people taking exams at this time.

For the sick: Please pray for Eira Jones and Ruth Chamberlain. Please continue to pray for Tricia O'Brien, Sally Lang & Mike Bennett.

Please pray for those in hospital.

#### From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Archbishop Paul Kim, Primate of the Anglican Church of Korea and Bishop of Seoul.

#### From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Pray for Christian Aid collectors and all local fund raisers.