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 18th May 2014 - Easter 5

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Morning Worship	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
	Next Weeks Services	
	Mid-week Service	:
10.15am Wed	Holy Communion S	t Chad's
	Sunday 25th May - Easter 6	
8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Family Communion	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
	Thursday 29th May - Ascension Day	
7.30pm	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!!!

<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>Photograph Competition 2014</u> Entry forms available at both churches. See posters for more information. <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>Wellspring</u> Monday 19th May, 8pm at The Rectory. An opportunity to Listen to God and to Pray. <u>EMU</u> Wednesday 21st May meeting **CANCELLED**.

<u>Guides Accessory Sale</u> in aid of Hadlow fields "raising the roof" campaign.

Tea and coffee will be available for a small charge and the guides will be selling accessories such as bracelets, scarves, necklaces (not brand new). People are welcome at St chads from 8.15-9pm on Friday 23rd May. <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>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>Dr Rowan Williams</u>, former Archbishop of Canterbury, will give his Inaugural Lecture at Chester Cathedral on Friday, June 13 at 7pm. 'The Messiah and the Novelist: Approaches to Jesus in Fiction' Tickets are free but MUST be booked at <u>http://shopfront.chester.ac.uk</u> If anyone would like to attend the Lecture and would be willing to volunteer as an usher before the event please could they email <u>j.westcott@chester.ac.uk</u> The lecture will be streamed live for anyone who cannot attend but would like to listen to Dr Rowan Williams. Details of the link to the live streaming will be posted here nearer the time.

<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. Only 40p.

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Gospel Reading: (John 14:1-14)

All :Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said to his disciples: 1'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. 2In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? 3And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. 4And you know the way to the place where I am going.' 5Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' 6Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 7If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.' 8Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' 9Jesus said to him. 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? 10Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. 12Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. 13I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

Risen Christ,

your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen

Readings for Today Acts 7:55-60 1 Peter 2:2-10 John 14:1-14

Readings for 25th May Acts 17:22-31 1 Peter 3:13-22 John 14:15-21

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for the families and friends of the miners killed in the Turkish mine disaster. Please continue to pray for the safe release of the abducted girls in Nigeria. 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 continue to pray for Eira Jones, Ruth Chamberlain, Tricia O'Brien, Sally Lang & Mike Bennett. Please pray for those in hospital. From the Anglican Prayer Cycle: Archbishop David Vunagi, Melanesia and Bishop of Central Melanesia. From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Pray for all who have attended the Diocesan Lay Conference, that the time shared may be productive in each person's Christian discipleship.