

# 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 28th September 2014 - Trinity 15

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Family Communion	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
3.00pm	Baptism	St Bart's

### Next Weeks Services

#### Mid-week Service

10.15am Wed	Holy Communion	St Chad's
	<b>Sunday 5th October - HARVEST</b>	
8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bart's
9.30am	Family Service	St Chad's
11.15am	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!!!

**Pilgrim Group** Everybody welcome. Wed evenings 8.00-9.15pm at St Chad's. Come and explore "how should Christians behave and how should we live?" through one of the core texts of the Christian faith: the Commandments. (8th, 22nd Oct & 12th & 26th Nov).

**Harvest Gifts:** At all of our services on Sunday 5th October (8.00am, 9.30am and 11.15am) we will be receiving Harvest Gifts. You are invited to donate to Wirral Food bank and/or Christian Aid. Wirral Food bank would like non perishable food items, there is a shopping list of their most needed items in the parish magazine. There are Christian Aid envelopes at the back of church so that you can take them home and if appropriate fill in the gift aid declaration and then bring the envelope with you gift inside to the harvest service.

### **HARVEST FAMILY FUN and HARVEST SUPPER: Saturday 4th October**

**4.30pm – 5.45pm Harvest Family Fun:** Games, Crafts and activities for all ages. There is no charge, (donations welcome on the day), but you do need to book your place so that we know how many to expect. To book your place, please sign on the list at the back of church or e-mail the church office (office@thurstaston.org.uk) telling us your name and how many adults, children will be attending, by Sunday 28th September. Please do stay for the Harvest Supper if you can—you will need to purchase a ticket for that.

**5.45pm for 6.00pm Harvest Supper:** This is a two course meal. Admission by Ticket only. Available from Church or by contacting the Parish Office as above. Please buy your tickets ASAP (this helps our catering team enormously!) and at the very latest by Sunday 28th Sept. Adults £7.50, Child £4.00, Concessions £5.00, Family £20.00. Please bring your own glasses and drink. Please notify us of any dietary requirements.

**Deanery Songs of Praise:** 4.00pm Sunday 12th October at St Hildeburgh Hoylake. If anyone would like to suggest a hymn/song to be included in this service, please let Revd Jane know ASAP.

**Singing our Socks off** with Sue Granger. Fun, relaxed night, no musical experience necessary. Tuesday 14th October 8pm at St Chad's. Ladies & gentlemen all welcome. Small charge dependant on numbers. (If you enjoyed Gareth Malone's choirs then this is a must!).

**Skills and more 2** This event is being hosted by ourselves at St Chad's on Thursdays, 16th & 23rd October and 6th & 13th November at 7.30pm. Session leader is David Bell, Diocesan Adviser for Ministry among Children. The evenings are free, but you need to book by contacting Sandra James: sandra.james@chester.anglican.org 01928 718834 Ext 223. See notice board for more information. Fliers available at the back of church.

**Parish Weekend Away 16th-18th October 2015 at Cloverley Hall.** There are invitation letters and booking forms at the back of church. This will be a good weekend for people of all ages and we hope that many of you will want to join us. Please fill in the booking form and return with deposit to Chris Smale, Revd Jane or the parish office as soon as possible.

**Leprosy Mission Boxes** It is time once more to collect the Leprosy Mission collection boxes. I would be most grateful to all members, of both congregations, if you could bring your boxes to either church, and leave them at the back, from where they will be collected and returned to you. Thank you, in anticipation, for your continued help to the mission. Please note that a one off donation is always welcome.

Any problems, please contact me, Pat Hulme on 538 1953.

**Children's Society Coffee Morning** on Saturday 25th October 10.00am-12noon. Bring & buy. All Welcome. Box Holders please return your house boxes or bring to church, or return to Jean 648 6015, Barbara 648 3523 or Elaine 6481721.

**The October** edition of the parish magazine is available at the back of church.

**Dawpool Pre-School** Spaces are filling up fast, so please contact Carol Marwing on 07790311340 to reserve your child's space.

**Christmas Fair** Save the date, Saturday 29th November 1-4pm. See magazine for more details.

**Church Office: Mrs C Rostock, St Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irby, CH61 3UH**  
**Church Office open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9.30am-12.30pm (term time) Tel 648 8169**  
**Website: www.thurstaston.org.uk E-Mail: office@thurstaston.org.uk**  
**REVD JANE TURNER 648 1816 (Day off Tuesday) E-Mail: rector@thurstaston.org.uk**

## Gospel Reading: (Matt 21:23-32)

### All :Glory to you, O Lord

23When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' 24Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. 25Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven," he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?"' 26But if we say, "Of human origin," we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' 27So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

28What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." 29He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. 30The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. 31Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. 32For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.'

### All: Praise to you, O Christ

### Collect

Lord God,  
defend your Church from all false teaching  
and give to your people knowledge of your truth,  
that we may enjoy eternal life  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

### Post Communion Prayer

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy;  
and, because without you our human frailty cannot  
but fall,  
keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful,  
and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

**Readings for  
Today**  
Ezek 18:1-4,25-32  
Phil 2:1-13  
Matt 21:23-32

**Readings for  
5th October**  
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### FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**For the World:** Please pray for the family & friends of Alice Gross as they desperately appeal for her safe return home.

**For the parish:** Please pray for Henry Blakemore and Max Everett both to be baptised at St Bartholomew's today at 3pm and their parents Christopher & Michelle and Philip & Caroline. Please pray for Roger Dennison & Joyce Abbott to be married at St Bartholomew's on Thursday.

**For the sick:** Please continue to pray for Eric Jones & Mike Bennett. Please pray for those in hospital.

### From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Archbishop Katherine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church.

### From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Pray for the work of the Agricultural Chaplaincy.

## Your chance to help shape our local churches' future

In February the PCC spent a day together with Bishop Keith thinking through the next stage of the GAP (Growth Action Planning) Process and what it might involve in our parish. Several ideas were put forward and the PCC have continued to explore those ideas and some of them are being put into action. The survey is the result of the PCC seeking to discover how to enable our congregations to deepen their own faith and how to enable more people in our community to engage with worship.

Your views are important to us and the results will be published once an analysis is complete. The survey is completely anonymous. Thank you for your help and support.