

**The Churches of  
St Bartholomew and St Chad  
Thurstaston and Irby  
Sunday 15th February 2015 – Sunday before Lent**



Welcome to Church today.  
We hope that you enjoy the service and gain a sense of God's presence with us.

**Children are Welcome at our Services**

**In St Chad's**, we have activity bags available and there is also a box of toys and cushions in the foyer, in case you feel your child would be happier playing there.

**In St Bartholomew's**, there are some colouring sheets and toys at the back of church.

**Children from age 2½ can attend Junior Church at St Chad's**

**Collect for today**

Holy God,  
you know the disorder of our  
sinful lives:  
set straight our crooked  
hearts,  
and bend our wills to love  
your goodness  
and your glory  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

**Post-Communion Prayer**

Holy God,  
we see your glory in the face of Jesus  
Christ:  
may we who are partakers at his table  
reflect his life in word and deed,  
that all the world may know his power to  
change and save.  
This we ask through Jesus Christ our  
Lord.

*Amen*

**FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**For the World:** Please pray for the families and friends of the people who died in Bath after the trucker crash. In a world with people seemingly intent on violence and killing, please pray for compassion and peace.

**For the parish:** Please pray for Christian Aid representatives who will lead our special service on March 1<sup>st</sup> (see magazine page 10). Also pray for our Lent groups (see page 11) that those who come may be blessed as we study the Beatitudes.

**For the sick:** Please continue to pray for Betty Rimmer, Karen Ormsby, and Mike Bennett. Please pray for those in hospital.

**From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:**

Bishop David Nyi Nyi Naing, Mandalay (Myanmar)

**From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:**

Pray for the keeping of a holy Lent.

We do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

Hebrews 4.15 (NRSV)

## Services TODAY – Sunday before Lent

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30 am	Morning Worship	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's

## Services next week

### Ash Wednesday 18th February (Mid-week service)

10:15 am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
7.30pm	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's

### Sunday 22nd February – Lent 1

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9:30 am	Family Communion	St Chad's
11:15 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's

## Notices and Announcements

- **New layout of this Notice Sheet.** Any Feedback - comments to Mr Graham Barley – PCC Secretary.
- **March Magazine deadline** will be Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February. Any contribution should be sent to the parish office by then! Thank You.
- **Real Easter Eggs:** See page 6 of February edition of Crosstalk for more information and how to order – from £3.99 each.
- **Traidcraft Big Brew:** 10-12noon at the Rectory Saturday 28th February.
- **Crosstalk** The February edition of the Parish magazine is now available at the back of church. Please purchase one if you do not already have it delivered. It is full of information about future events and interesting articles.
- **'SOSO' Community Choir,** 8-9.30pm at St Chad's on Tuesday 24th February. £4 per session.
- **Wellspring** Monday 16th February 8pm at The Rectory. An opportunity to Listen to God and to Pray.
- **Lent Group:** The Beatitudes (Matt 5:1-10) - Take a closer look during Lent. Thursdays 19th Feb – 26th March. Come either in the afternoon 1.15-2.45pm or in the evening 8.00-9.30pm (or a mixture of both!) at St Chad's.
- **EMU** Wednesday 25th February 'Felting', 8pm at St Chad's. Come along and have a go. Small charge for wool, approx. £4.00.
- **REFURBISHMENT OF ST CHAD'S HALL KITCHEN** The estimated total cost of the project is about £10,000. Please see parish magazine page 9 for further details. Please could you send any contributions clearly labelled for St Chad's kitchen refurbishment to the parish office indicating whether the contribution can be considered as gift aided. Cheques should be made payable to "Thurstaston PCC". The full address is: Parish Office, St Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irby, Wirral CH61 3UH. If you need any information about the project please contact Chris Turnbull on 01516250089 or email [sjturn@liv.ac.uk](mailto:sjturn@liv.ac.uk).

- **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.

- **Parish Outing to Morecambe** on Tuesday 9th June 2015. Everyone welcome. Cost £15.00 Give your name and a non-refundable deposit of £5.00 to Leslie Worrall or Alan Jones, or put in an envelope and deliver to the Parish office.

- **The Bible in History and Today.** Venue: Christ Church, Upton Road, Moreton, Wirral CH46 0PA. Dates: Tuesdays: 14, 21 and 28 April; 5, 12 and 19 May 2015. Time: 8pm to 9.30pm. There is no charge for this course. The aim of the course is to consider some of the main issues involved in discussions about the Bible: its origins, authority and interpretation. We will think about what we can mean by the Bible, how we use it today and how it can be relevant both in our own church setting (whatever our tradition) and in wider society. There are six sessions each with an illustrated talk, a break for tea/coffee, and time for guided questions and discussion.

There is a maximum of 25 places. If you would like book for this course, please contact Jane Hood at Church House by email at [jane.hood@chester.anglican.org](mailto:jane.hood@chester.anglican.org) or phone 01928 718834 ext 257

- **Home for Good** Come to an evening of information and inspiration about adoption and fostering in association with Christian charity, Home for Good, Adoption Matters and Wirral Borough Council on Thurs 26th Feb 7-9pm at The Hope Centre, Fishers Lane, Pensby. See poster for more information.

- **Raise Money for Church by Enjoying a Night at the Theatre!**

The Carlton Players have Charity Performances of their plays at The Little Theatre in Birkenhead. The plays for this season are:-

Tuesday 17 – Saturday 21 March 2015 –

“The Diary of Anne Frank” by Goodrich and Hackett

For every ticket purchased for the TUESDAY performance they will give us 50% of the proceeds. Tickets are £8.00 and students are £6.00, so we receive £4.00 and £3.00 respectively. When you book your ticket, you MUST quote “St Bartholomew’s Thurstaston” in order for us to receive this money. More information about the plays and the theatre can be found at [www.carltonlittletheatre.co.uk](http://www.carltonlittletheatre.co.uk) and tickets can be purchased either on line or by e-mailing [boxoffice@carltonlittletheatre.co.uk](mailto:boxoffice@carltonlittletheatre.co.uk) or phoning 647 6593.

- **Guides** We are again collecting Sainsbury’s Active Kids Vouchers. If you don’t normally give them to anyone else, please place them in the box in St Chad’s hall. We will be very grateful for your support.

- **Asda Green Tokens** Dawpool Pre-School have been chosen as one of three schools to take part in the Green Token Scheme at Asda Woodchurch. If you, or anyone who you know is shopping at Asda Woodchurch then Pre-School would be most grateful if you would pop your Green Token in the box for Dawpool Pre-School. Just ask at the till for some tokens. At the end of the scheme the charity with the most tokens receives £200 and 2nd & 3rd place receive £50 from the Asda Foundation.

- **The Children's Society** Coffee Morning, 21<sup>st</sup> March at ‘Barnstable’s’, 233 Irby Road. Tables available. Please contact Jean Heath on 648 6015.

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## GOSPEL READING: Mark 9:2-9

### All: Glory to you, O Lord

2Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, 3and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. 4And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. 5Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' 6He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. 7Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' 8Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

9As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

### All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 22 <sup>nd</sup> February
2 Kings 2:1-12	Gen 9:8-17
2 Cor 4:3-6	1 Pet 3:18-22
Mark 9:2-9	Mark 1:9-15

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