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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.

• **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 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 and tickets can be purchased either on line or by e-mailing 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, 21st March at ‘Barnstable’s’, 233 Irby Road. Tables available. Please contact Jean Heath on 648 6015.

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GOSPEL READING: Mark 1:9-15

All: Glory to you, O Lord

9In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. 11And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

12And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. 13He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. 14Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, 15and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 1 st March
Gen 9:8-17	Gen 17:1-7,15-16
1 Pet 3:18-22	Rom 4:13-25
Mark 1:9-15	Mark 8:31-38

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