

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
Sunday 8th March 2015 – Lent 3**



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

Eternal God,
give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we
are promised
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Merciful Lord,
grant your people grace to withstand the
temptations
of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow
you, the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for the family & friends of murdered Bristol teenager Becky Watts.

For the parish: Please pray for Martin Trimble & Anne-Marie Oates and Tristan Whitehead & Yasmin Blythe, all having their banns read at St Bartholomew's today.

For the bereaved: Please pray for the families & friends of Charles Ellis (Funeral 11.15am Wed 11th) and Eileen Wakelam (Funeral 11.00am Fri 13th).

For the sick: Please pray for Lottie Butler. Please continue to pray for Aline Harwood, Betty Rimmer, Karen Ormsby, and Mike Bennett.

Please pray for those in hospital.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle: Pray for children forced into war, for agencies working to end child soldiering, and efforts to rehabilitate children after such trauma.
Bishop Charles Mwendwa, Meru (Kenya).

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Keith Sinclair consecrated Bishop of Birkenhead (York Minster 2007) On this anniversary of his consecration, pray for Bishop Keith's ministry.

Services TODAY – Lent 3

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

Services next week

Wednesday 11th March (Mid-week service)

10:15 am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
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Sunday 15th March – Mothering Sunday

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

Notices and Announcements

- **Crosstalk** The **March** edition of the Parish magazine is now available at the back of church. Please note **subscriptions** for those people who have the magazine delivered is now due, if you have not already paid.
- **Electoral Roll** The Church Electoral roll is a list of people who consider themselves to belong to our church. The existing roll is displayed on the notice board and forms are available at the back of church. Please check if you are on the roll and IF NOT please fill in a form by Sunday **22nd March!**
- **Wirral Schools' Concert Band**, 7.30pm at St Chad's on Saturday 14th March. Tickets £5, available from Karen Robson or the Church Office.
- **Wellspring** Monday 16th March, 8pm at The Rectory. An opportunity to listen to God and to pray.
- **APCM** (Annual Parochial Church Meeting) will be held on Sunday 19th April at 6.30pm in St Chad's. Nomination forms for both PCC members & Churchwardens will shortly be displayed in both churches. Please see parish magazine for more information.
- **'SOSO' Community Choir**, 8-9.30pm at St Chad's on Tuesday 10th March. £4 per session.
- **The Children's Society** Coffee Morning, 10am-12 noon on 21st March at 'Barnstables', 233 Irby Road. Donations of cakes and Bring & Buy items would be very welcome. Tickets £3 available from Jean Heath, Barbara Kozer & Elaine Kavanagh or pay at the door. Tables available. Please contact Jean Heath on 648 6015.
- **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.

- **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.

- **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.

- **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. See page 10 of parish magazine for more details and how to book.

- **Guides** We are again collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. Please place them in the box in St Chad's hall. We will be very grateful for your support.

- **REFURBISHMENT OF ST CHAD'S HALL KITCHEN** The estimated total cost of the project is about £10,000.

Please see parish magazine page 25 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.

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GOSPEL READING: John 2:13-22

All: Glory to you, O Lord

13The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. 15Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. 16He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' 17His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' 18The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' 19Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' 20They then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' 21But he was speaking of the temple of his body. 22After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 15 th March
Ex 20:1-17 1 Cor 1:18-25 John 2:13-22	TBA

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