

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
Sunday 15th March 2015 – Mothering Sunday**



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

God of love,
passionate and strong,
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Loving God,
as a mother feeds her children at the
breast you feed us in this sacrament with
the food and drink of eternal life:
help us who have tasted your goodness
to grow in grace within the household of
faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for the families & friends of the three teenagers and lady killed in the car crash on the A470 in Powys. Please pray for the family & friends of the ten people killed in the two helicopters which crashed in Argentina, whilst filming a French TV programme,

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: Families and friends of Charles Ellis and Eileen Wakelam – both funerals in St Bartholomew's last week.

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

Please pray for those in hospital.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Bishop Wayne Smith, Missouri (V, The Episcopal Church, USA)

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Pray for all keeping Mothering Sunday today, and especially for people who for whatever reason find its observance hard.

Services TODAY – 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

Services next week

Wednesday 18th March (Mid-week service)

10:15 am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
----------	----------------	-----------

Sunday 22nd March – Lent 5

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

Notices and Announcements

● **THANK YOU** – to the team of people who put together the bunches of flowers for today's services and decorated our churches for Mothering Sunday.

● **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.

● **Bread and Nails Service** (1st March 9.30am) - **THANK YOU** - £98.50 was donated to Christian Aid.

● **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!**

● **APCM** Nominations for Church Wardens and PCC Members: Forms are available at the back of church. Please pray about whether you could fulfil one of these roles, or who you think would be good in these roles and then ask them and nominate them. The Annual Meeting will be 6.30pm on 19th April at St Chad's. Please put the date in your diary and come along.

● **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.

● **Wellspring** Monday 16th March, 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 Nail night:** polish n décor, Wednesday 25th March 8pm at St Chad's. Come along with clear base on nails if possible. Donations to M.U. charity.
- **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.
- **LifeCall: Children, longing & belonging** on Tuesday 17th March, 7.00pm-9.00pm at Liverpool Cathedral. An opportunity to find out more about fostering and adoption, meet foster carers and adoptive parents, and let God guide the next step for your family. See Poster for more info.
- **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.

- **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.
- **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.

Would you like to receive this notice sheet every week direct to your email in-box? If so, please send an email request to the parish office (office@thurstaston.org.uk)

GOSPEL READING: John 19:25b-27

All: Glory to you, O Lord

25 Standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. 26 When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' 27 Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 22 nd March
Ex 2:1-10	Jer 31:31-34
Col 3:12-17	Heb 5:5-10
John 19:25b-27	John 12:20-33

Palm Sunday 29th March

8.00am BCP Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

9.30am Family Communion at St Chad's **with Junior Church Easter Craft Session**

11.15am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

Maundy Thursday 2nd April

7.30pm Holy Communion at St Chad's

There is also a service at 11.00am at Chester Cathedral

Good Friday 3rd April

10.00am Family Service at St Chad's

2.00pm "Hour at the Cross" - Meditative Service at St. Bartholomew's

Easter Day 5th April

8.00am BCP Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

9.30am Family Communion at St Chad's

11.15am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

6.30pm Easter Praise Service at Irby Methodist Church

Church Office: Mrs C Rostock, St Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irby, CH61 3UH

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