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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 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> can attend Junior Church at St Chad's

Collect for today	Post-Communion Prayer
Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father.	God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
Amen	Amen

## FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**For the World:** Please pray for the people of Nepal after the devastating earthquake. Pray for those who have lost life and those working to save life. For those who are worried for people they love. For those who will see their loved ones no longer.

**For the parish:** Give thanks as Joyce & Simon Beckley celebrate their Ruby Wedding Anniversary. Please pray for David Roberts & Emily Ashton having their banns read at St Bartholomew's today. Please pray for all young people taking exams at this time.

**For the sick:** Please pray for Graham Barley going into hospital for treatment. Please continue to pray for Aline Harwood. Please pray for those in hospital.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Bishop Evans Jonathan Ibeagha, Nike (Enugu, Nigeria)

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30 am	Family Communion	St Chad's
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### Services next week

#### Wednesday 13th May(Mid-week service)

10:15 am Holy Communion St Chad's

#### Sunday 17th May – Easter 7

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- •**Thank you** to everyone who donated to the Nepal crisis. £400 was raised!
- •Hymn Survey: Sometimes it is difficult to get the choice of hymns right for services. This is due to not always knowing "who knows what", "have we ever sung this here", "is this a favourite", and hymns falling in and out of fashion. There are some survey sheets at the back of church and we'd be grateful if you could fill them in and return to Revd Jane or place in the box at the back of church.
- Removal of Dead Rose Bushes from St Garden of Remembrance at Bartholomew's: The PCC plan to remove the dead rose bushes within the garden of remembrance. We are not sure if any of them were planted in specific memory of someone. If you are aware of this kind of connection, please contact the Rector by 31st May 2015. The PCC is seeking horticultural advice as to how to replace the rose bushes and whether the soil conditions are correct for roses.

- Crosstalk The May magazine is available at the back of church.
- •PCC Meeting Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm at St Chad's.
- •SOSO Community Choir are having a concert featuring a performance by Su, to raise funds for St Chad's kitchen refurbishment, on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 8pm, Tickets £3, to include refreshments, available at both churches.
- •Stuart Townend Worship Concert. Fri 29th May, 7.30pm, Christ the King Church. 890 New Chester Rd. Bromborough, CH62 6AT. Tickets £12.50 (Concessions £10.00). Advance tickets only available from Tel: 0151 327 2182 or Tel: 0151 327 2138. There was a very similar event held last year in Bebington which was a sell-out, attended by Revd Jane and Julie Deboorder and a couple of others. Revd Jane has already purchased her ticket for this event and has a couple

- •Do you wish some of our services more contemporary, were more vibrant, had more modern music ...? Then please come to a meeting at the Rectory on Sunday 17th May at 7.00pm. This is following on from our Survey at the end of last year. We have now met with our young people and know what they want, now the PCC needs to know how many adults are interested and whether all mean the same thing by we contemporary and vibrant. If you don't come we'll assume that you are happy with services as they are, but the survey indicated that some of you aren't - so please come!
- •Wellspring Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 8pm at the Rectory. An opportunity to listen to God and to pray.
- •EMU 'From flowers to Vicar' by Margaret Fletcher on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May, 8pm at St Chad's.

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

Please see parish magazine page 16 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 <u>sjturn@liv.ac.uk</u>. Current total is £4700.00, with

donations still coming in.

- •Volunteers required to help mow the lawn at St Chad's through the summer months. Please speak to Chris Perry, if you can help.
- •Guides Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers now need to be collected in. Please check everywhere and place them in the box at St Chad's in the next few weeks. Many thanks.
- •Summer Retreat at Foxhill: Mon 13th Wed 15th July 2015. Leaflets at the back of church. If anyone wants more information please speak to Revd Jane.
- •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.
- •Hotspot-a Good Death? A Christian perspective on Euthanasia & Assisted Suicide. Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm-9.30pm at St Andrew's Church, Church Road, Bebington. Organised by Wirral Gospel Partnership.
- •**Prom Praise** at the Liverpool Philharmonic -- Saturday 6 June 2015 (7.30pm), tickets priced £10 -- £27 are available from the Box Office at Liverpool Philharmonic Hall on 0151 709 3789 or www.liverpoolphil.com

#### All: Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said to his disciples: 9'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. 10If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. 11I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

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