

**The Churches of  
St Bartholomew and St Chad  
Thurstaston and Irby  
Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2015 – Trinity**



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,  
faithful and unchanging:  
enlarge our minds with the  
knowledge of your truth,  
and draw us more deeply into the  
mystery of your love,  
that we may truly worship you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*Amen*

**Post-Communion Prayer**

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and  
Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever.

*Amen*

**FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**For the World:** Please pray for the people affected in the migrant crisis in both South East Asia and Europe. Please pray for an end to the continuing situations in Iraq & Syria.

**For the parish:** 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 Ronald Wayne Cutler, Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island (Canada, Canada)

**From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:**

God of all that lives, give us hope  
for our planet and its people and  
help us to envision a world with  
resources for all.

Christian Aid

## Services TODAY – Trinity

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

## Services next week

### Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June (Mid-week service)

10:15 am	Holy Communion	St Chad's
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### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June – Trinity 1

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30am	Family Service	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's

## Notices and Announcements

### •Extraordinary Meeting of Parishioners

– Monday 8th June – 8.00-8.30pm (or shorter if half hour not required) at St Chads at which we will present the 2014 accounts and answer any questions that you may have. Copies of the accounts available at the back of church if anyone wishes to have a copy. It would be helpful if you could let Revd Jane know whether you intend to come to this meeting, so we know how many chairs to put out!

•**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.

•**Summer Event on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June to raise money for St Chad's kitchen refurbishment.** Starting with a ramble at 4pm, from St Chad's arriving back at approximately 5.30pm for a fish & chip supper at 6pm. Quiz, various stalls, including a plant stall and nearly new/unwanted gifts stall. Tickets for Fish and chip supper £5.00, will be available soon at both churches. If you would like an alternative supper (because of dietary needs, then please speak to Sue Turnbull on 625 0089). Please bring your own glasses and drinks. Desserts and soft drinks will be available to purchase. Tea/coffee is included in ticket price. If you take part in the ramble and/or the quiz you will be invited to make a suggested donation of £1-£2 for the ramble and £2-£3 for the quiz towards the kitchen fund. You may come to the whole event or just part, whatever suits.

• **Parish Outing to Morecambe** - Balance is now due. Please meet at the Rectory (77 Thingwall Road) at 9.30am on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June.

• **Volunteers** required to help mow the lawn at St Chad's through the summer months. Please speak to Chris Perry on 648 6958 if you can help.

• **Removal of Dead Rose Bushes from Garden of Remembrance at St 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 31<sup>st</sup> 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.

• **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.

• **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](http://www.liverpoolphil.com)

• **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 [sjturn@liv.ac.uk](mailto:sjturn@liv.ac.uk).

**Current total is £5100.00, with donations still coming in.**

• **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.

**Next production June 2nd-6th – Up Pompeii**

For every ticket purchased for the TUESDAY (this performance will be signed using BSL) & WEDNESDAY 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.

**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](mailto:office@thurstaston.org.uk))**

## GOSPEL READING: John 3:1-17

### All: Glory to you, O Lord

1There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. 2He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.'

3Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' 4Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' 5Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. 6What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." 8The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' 9Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' 10Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

11'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? 13No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. 14And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 16For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 17Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

### All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 7 <sup>th</sup> June
Is 6:1-8	Gen 3:8-15
Rom 8:12-17	2 Cor 4:13-5:1
John 3:1-17	Mark 3:20-35

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