

**The Churches of  
St Bartholomew and St Chad  
Thurstaston and Irby  
Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2015 – Trinity 17**



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 (term time) at St Chad's**

**Collect for today**

Gracious God,  
you call us to fullness of life:  
deliver us from unbelief  
and banish our anxieties  
with the liberating love of Jesus  
Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

**Post-Communion Prayer**

Lord, we pray that your grace  
may always precede and follow us,  
and make us continually to be given to  
all good works;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

**FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**For the World:** Please pray for refugees and migrants risking their lives to cross Europe.

**For the sick:** Please continue to pray for Joan Jones, Mike Bennett and Ruth Dann. Please pray for those in hospital.

**For the bereaved:** Please pray for the families & friends of Thelma Welsh.

**For the parish:** Please pray for Nia Jenkinson to be baptised at St Bartholomew's today at 3pm and her parents David and Carole.

**For our school:** Mrs Peters is retiring at Christmas. Please pray for the appointment committee and governors as they seek a new Head Teacher.

**From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:**

Bishop James Waggoner, Spokane (IX, The Episcopal Church, USA).

**From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:**

Pray for young people exploring their sense of vocation.

## Services TODAY – Trinity 17

8:00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30 am	Family Communion	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
3.00pm	Baptism	St Bartholomew's

## Services next week

### Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September (Mid-week service)

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

## Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Trinity 18 HARVEST if you are able please bring a gift

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

## Notices and Announcement

- **Harvest Supper** Friday 2nd October, 6pm **prompt** when the meals will be arriving from around the world. £8 per person. Tickets available today. Please also sign the sheet indicating which take-away meal you want. Last date for signing up and paying is **TODAY**. Ice cream & tea or coffee. Rhythm and Blues band 7.30pm. Licence for sale of drinks.
- **Harvest Family Craft** on Saturday 3rd October 2-4pm. Just turn up!
- **Tots and Tinies – we NEED YOUR HELP!** The current leader is changing her work commitments and is going to struggle to do every week. They meet on a Thursday morning at St Chads. We do not want to have to close this group due to lack of leaders, so please if you can help, speak to Revd Jane urgently.
- **Deanery Songs of Praise Service** 4pm Sunday 4th Oct at Christ Church Higher Bebington – All Welcome.
- **Church Finances:** During the summer we experienced a cash flow crisis, resulting in a couple of payments bouncing back. Please can we encourage you to give us half an hour of

your time and come to the Extraordinary Parochial Church Meeting on Monday 12th Oct, 7.00pm at St Chads when we will consider the Financial Statements for the year ending 31st Dec 2014 (available at the back of church) and explain more about our current situation. This meeting will finish at 7.30pm.

- **McMillan Coffee Morning** Sat 3rd Oct 10.00-12.00noon at Irby Methodist Church.
- **Marvellous An evening with Neil Baldwin "Nello"**. *The inspiration for the BBC Bafta winning drama.* Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October, 7.00pm at St Hilary's Church, Wallasey. Also featuring Rev'd Keith Sinclair, Bishop of Birkenhead. For more information 0151 638 4771 [www.sthilarywallasey.org.uk](http://www.sthilarywallasey.org.uk)
- **Children's Society Coffee Morning** on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October, 10-11.30am. Bring & buy. All Welcome. Box holders please return your house boxes or bring to church from now. If anyone would like a box, or needs theirs collecting then please contact Jean 648 6015, Barbara 648 3523 or Elaine 648 1721.
- **Leprosy mission boxes.** It is time for the annual collection of your Leprosy boxes.

To all those members, of both congregations, if you have a box, I would be grateful if you would leave them at the back of either church, where they will be collected and returned to you. If you don't have a box, donations are always acceptable, or I can provide you with a box. This year the Leprosy Mission treated earthquake victims at 15 emergency medical camps, households received food and supplies, and tarpaulins for shelter. They also received roofing sheets or cash grants to repair their homes. Thanks to your continued help to the mission, 18,000 victims of the Nepal earthquake were helped. Thank you for your continued help to the mission, remember leprosy is a dreadful, but curable disease. Any problems please contact Pat Hulme on 538 1953.

- **Room at the inn?** Charity **HOST** is seeking friendly people who could volunteer to offer an invitation to adult international students for a day, weekend, or four days at Christmas. Learn about other cultures, welcome a guest far from home, and make the world a little friendlier! Visit [www.hostuk.org](http://www.hostuk.org) or call 020 7739 6292.
- **SOSO** an Evening's Entertainment at Irby Methodist Church, Tues 29<sup>th</sup> Sept, 7.30pm. Tickets £3 (inc. refresh.) from Julie 648 6331.

- **Mothers' Union** Provincial Thanksgiving Eucharist in Chester Cathedral at 2pm on Tues 10<sup>th</sup> November 2015. Bishop Peter is presiding and the preacher is Mothers' Union Central Chaplain, Rt Revd Andrew Proud, Bishop of Reading. We are greatly privileged to be hosting this Triennial Thanksgiving Service for York Province. Lynne Tembey, our Worldwide President and Barbara Taylor, our Provincial President, will also be there together with the massed choirs of MU in York Province! If you would like to be part of this very special event please send your ticket requirements to Dawn in the cathedral office as soon as possible before the end of September. You cannot just turn up, you do need a ticket.

If you would like to be in the choir please also tell Dawn. The office number is 01244 400491 and email is [mothersunionchester@care4free.net](mailto:mothersunionchester@care4free.net).

- **Felting Group - Spirituality through Textiles** at St Chads Church Irby on Tuesday afternoons 1pm - 3pm. Sept 29<sup>th</sup>, Oct 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, Nov 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> and December 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be a charge of £4 per Session. **For more information see magazine and to secure a place contact Chris Branch 0151 632 6121 [branchbcd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:branchbcd@yahoo.co.uk)**

**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: Mark 9:38-50

### All: Glory to you, O Lord

38John said to Jesus, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.' 39But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. 40Whoever is not against us is for us. 41For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

42If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. 43If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. 45And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. 47And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, 48where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

49For everyone will be salted with fire. 50Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.'

### All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 4 <sup>th</sup> October
Num 11:4-6,10-16,24-29	Joel 2:21 -27
James 5:13-20	1 Timothy 6: 6 -10
Mark 9:38-50	Matthew 6: 25 -33

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