

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
Sunday 15th November – 2nd Before Advent**



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

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for individuals, families and churches who are seeking to respond following National Adoption Week and Adoption Sunday. Pray that there would be significant, real life outcomes of people committing to foster, adopt and support.

For the sick: Please continue to pray for Frank Rimmer and Mike Bennett. Please pray for those in hospital.

For our school: Please pray for Mrs Peters as she prepares to retire. Please pray for Mr David Burrows as he prepares to transition into his new role as Head Teacher of Dawpool Primary School.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Bishop Orlando Guerrero, Venezuela (V, The Episcopal Church, USA).

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Please pray for 'Open Doors' (www.opendoorsuk.org) who strive to raise awareness of global persecution, mobilising prayer, support and action among Christians.

Services TODAY – 2nd Before Advent

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 November (Mid-week service)

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

Sunday 22nd November – Christ the King

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

Notices and Announcement

● **Christmas Fair** on Saturday 28th November, 1-4pm at St Chad's. **Please let Julie DeBoorder know if you can help in any way 6486331 or debs1313deb@btopenworld.com**

Please start to collect good as new/unwanted gifts, books/DVDs/CDs (no videos), jewellery, toys in good condition, soft toys for kids 'take a ted'. (These items can be delivered to the office from Tuesday 3rd November). Raffle prizes- who do you know that will donate a voucher or prize? Small glass items (to be decorated and sold), small jars that will take a tea-light for the children to do glass painting. For the Crafty and Cooks please start planning or creating: handmade crafts, homemade preserves/pickles, cakes, sweets, Christmas decorations etc.,

● **Christmas Cards for sale.** £2.50 per pack. Profit to church funds.

● **Advent Songs of Praise – Sunday 29th November, 6.30pm at St Chad's.**

Following the two very successful Songs of Praise Style Services which we held in September, I would like to invite you to this service. All welcome.

● **Christingle** Volunteers needed after 9.30am Service at St Chad's on Sunday 6th December to make up oranges for the Christingle service at **4.00pm**.

● **The Children's Society** Jean, Barbara and Elaine thank everyone who attended the Children's Society Coffee Morning on 24th October. We raised £82.87 from donations and bring and buy items. Although a number of boxes were returned then, some are still outstanding. Could box holders please return their boxes to St Bartholomew's or St Chad's or let us know if we can help by picking them up?

• **Wellspring** on Monday 23rd November, 8-9pm at the Rectory.

• **Crosstalk** The **November** magazine is available at the back of church.

• **Riding for the Disabled Association** On behalf of the Foresters' Horn Group, many thanks to all those who have provided used stamps for the RDA collection this year. We are still collecting and, with Christmas approaching, we should be grateful if everyone could remember to save their stamps and put them in the box in St Chad's foyer and envelope at the back of St Bart's. Jean Heath

• **Dawpool Primary School** – Foundation 2 (Reception) entry September 2016 – Anyone requiring Revd Jane to sign the Church Attendance part of the application form will need to give it to Revd Jane before Christmas.

• **SOSO** Tuesday 24th November, 8pm at St Chad's.

• **Completely Corking Wine Quiz** at Dawpool Primary School hall on Saturday 21st November at 7.30pm for 8.00pm. Fun night of wine tasting and nibbles with quiz and music. Tickets £10.00 (includes cheese board & nibbles) available from school.

• **Felting Group - Spirituality through Textiles** at St Chads Church Irby on Tuesday afternoons 1pm - 3pm. Nov 24th and December 8th.

There will be a charge of £4 per Session.

For more information see magazine and to secure a place contact Chris

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• **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 or call 020 7739 6292.

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GOSPEL READING: Mark 13:1-8

All: Glory to you, O Lord

1As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' 2Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.'

3When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 4'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' 5Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. 6Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. 7When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. 8For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 22nd November
Daniel 12:1-3 Heb 10:11-14(15-18)19-25 Mark 13:1-8	Dan 7:9-10,13-14 Rev 1:4b-8 John 18:33-37

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