# The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad Thurstaston and Irby Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January– Epiphany 3



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 (term time) at St Chad's

Collect for today	Post-Communion Prayer
God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. <i>Amen</i>	Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth;
	for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. <i>Amen</i>

## FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for peace around the World.

For the sick: Please continue to pray for Frank Rimmer.

Please pray for those in hospital.

**For our parish:** Please pray for Revd Jane on her sabbatical and for visiting clergy who will minister to us during the next three months.

## From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Archbishop Francisco De Assis Da Silva Primate of Brazil & Bishop of South, Western Brazil.

## From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Pray that all our actions may be rooted in, and directed by, our prayers.

### **Services TODAY – Epiphany 3**

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

Services next week Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January (Mid-week service) 10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

#### Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January – Epiphany 4

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

### **Notices and Announcement**

- •Parish Outing to Wales on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June. Driving through the Conway Valley, stopping for coffee at Llangollen & lunch at Llandudno. Book your place ASAP. Seats £15.00. Give your name and a non-refundable £5.00 deposit to Leslie Worrall or Alan Jones or put in an envelope and deliver to the Parish Office.
- •Riding for the Disabled Association 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.
- •**SOSO** Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January, 8pm at St Chad's.

- Mothers' Union (EMU) to meet on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January (NOTE NEW DATE) for 10 pin bowling, 8pm at Bromborough. Non-members welcome.
  Please speak to Chris Rostock, Julie DeBoorder or Jayne Oliver if you would like to come.
- •Giving by Text. We are now registered with Just Giving, so if you would like to make a donation to Church by text then all you need to do is text "BART16" and the amount you wish to give to 70070. e.g. text BART16£10 to give ten pounds.

•Voice Junior Choir will be running a Junior Choir Residential at Barnstondale Camp Wirral in the Easter holidays. This week will be specifically for 8-11 year olds. This will consist of learning songs for a performance at the end of the week, having lots of fun and playing games, and helping the children to learn more about what it means to be a Christian. This will include teaching sessions, small group times looking at specific Bible stories, learning about what the lyrics of the songs mean to us as Christians and helping them to apply all they learn to their own lives. Contact Abbi Humphries at abbi@voicemusic.org.uk 07841435358 or visit www.voicemisic.org.uk/residential or see notice board for more information.

#### **GOSPEL READING: Luke 4:14-21**

### All: Glory to you, O Lord

14Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. 15He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

16When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, 17and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

18'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

because he has anointed me

to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

and recovery of sight to the blind,

to let the oppressed go free,

19to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

20And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. 21Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

#### All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 31 <sup>st</sup> January
Neh 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10	Ezek 43:27-44:4
1 Cor 12:12-31a	1 Cor 13:1-13
Luke 4:14-21	Luke 2:22-40

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