

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
Sunday 14th February–Lent 1**



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 Father,
your Son battled with the powers
of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the
desert:
help us to use these days to grow
in wisdom and prayer
that we may witness to your saving
love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Lord God,
you have renewed us with the living
bread from heaven;
by it you nourish our faith,
increase our hope,
and strengthen our love:
teach us always to hunger for him
who is the true and living bread,
and enable us to live by every word
that proceeds from out of your
mouth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

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.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Archbishop Albert Chama, Archbishop of Central Africa & Bishop of Northern Zambia.

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Offer thanks for kindnesses received, and pray that we may be known for our kindness. And what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? Micah 6.8.

Services TODAY – Lent 1

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

Services next week

Wednesday 17th February (Mid-week service)

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

Sunday 21st February – Lent 2

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

Notices and Announcement

● **Parish Outing** to Wales on Tuesday 14th 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.

● **Spring Craft Fair** to be held on Saturday 30th April, (PLEASE NOTE REVISED DATE) 1pm-3pm at St Chad's. Volunteers needed to help with cakes and Raffle. Please speak to Julie DeBoorder if you can help. Tables £8 each, and stallholders to donate a raffle prize if possible, proceeds to Church funds. Church will be having a stall so if you do not want your own stall, but can make and donate handmade craft items then please speak to Julie. Please ring Chris Rostock on 07970030794 if you would like to book a table.

● **Wellspring** on Monday 15th February, 8pm at St Chad's. An opportunity to Listen to God and to Pray. All welcome.

● **Lent Groups** to be held at 7.30pm, starting Friday 19th February for five Fridays at Irby Methodist Church. All welcome.

● **Children's Society Coffee Morning** 10am-12noon on Saturday 20th February at 'Barnstables' 233 Irby Road. There will be a craft stall, 'Shoe-B-Do' Continental Shoes and Accessories and Phoenix Cards. Contributions towards Bring & Buy and Cake Stalls welcome. Tickets £3 from Jean Heath or pay on the door.

● **SOSO (Singing our Socks off)** Tuesday 23rd February, 8pm at St Chad's.

● **Crosstalk** The February magazine is available at the back of church. If have your magazine delivered, this is a reminder that the subs for 2016 are due.

- **Mothers' Union (EMU)** to meet on Wednesday 24th February, 8pm at St Chad's. Oil painting demonstration and sale by Mandy Exely.
- **Wirral School' Concert Band** on Saturday 19th March, 7.30pm at St Chad's. Tickets £5 from Karen Robson 648 6691 or St Chad's Church office 648 8169. See magazine for more info.
- **Lent Retreat** with Bishop David Gillett, Friday 4-Sunday 6th March at Foxhill. Theme: 'Pilgrims Facing Change'. £120 inc. all meals. For more information visit www.foxhillconferences.co.uk or tel: 01928 733 777.
- **Tots & Tinies** We meet every Thursday from 9.15-11.30am at St Chad's. Come along with your tiny children or toddlers and join in the fun. Free play with lots of different activities. Snack time includes fruit, biscuit, toast and a drink. Adults can help themselves to a coffee or tea and can also have toast! Only £1.50. We look forward to welcoming you. Should you wish to know more contact Allison Youds or Elaine Jones on 648 1400.
- **Riding for the Disabled Association** **Thank you** for all the Christmas stamps received. We continue to collect stamps throughout the year, so please put them in the box in St Chad's foyer or the envelope at the back of St Bart's. Jean Heath.
- **Guides** are again collecting Sainsbury's Active Kid's vouchers. Please place your vouchers in the box at St Chad's. Many thanks 1st Thurstaston Guides.

• **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.

• **F.U.S.S. Wirral Fuss** works to encourage free distribution of recycled school uniforms to families without judgement of circumstances. Please visit our web site to reserve items you need. www.wirralfuss.co.uk

AND NOW..... F.U.P.S. – Free Uniform for Primary School

Please see magazine & notices for more information.

• **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.voicemusic.org.uk/residential or see notice board for more information.

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)

GOSPEL READING: Luke 4:1-13

All: Glory to you, O Lord

1 Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, 2 where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. 3 The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' 4 Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."'

5 Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. 6 And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. 7 If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' 8 Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."'

9 Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, 10 for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you",

11 and

"On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

12 Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" 13 When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 21 st February
Deut 26:1-11	Gen 15:1-12,17-18
Rom 10:8b-13	Phil 3:17-4:1
Luke 4:1-13	Luke 13:31-35

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