The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad Thurstaston and Irby Sunday 20th March–Palm Sunday



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

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Please pray for compassion & peace in our troubled World.

For the sick: Please continue to pray for baby Emmett Robinson and Frank Rimmer. Please pray for those in hospital.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Bishop Suheil Dawani, Jerusalem (Jerusalem & Middle East).

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Pray that we may exalt Christ in our keeping of this Holy Week. 'Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up' (John 2.19)

Services TODAY – Palm Sunday

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 23rd March (Mid-week service)

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

Maundy Thursday 24th March

7.30pm Holy Communion St Chad's

Good Friday 25th March

10.00am St Chad's

2.00pm St Bartholomew's

Sunday 27th March – Easter Day

8.00am Holy Communion St Bartholomew's

9.30am Family Communion St Chad's

11.15am Holy Communion St Bartholomew's

Notices and Announcement

- •Good Friday Service 10.00am at St Chad's This Good Friday service will be a short meditation, with hymns, on the seven last sayings of Jesus from the cross. Easter activities for children and young people will run concurrently in the Church centre and tea, coffee and hot cross buns will be served for all after the service. Alan Jones, Reader.
- •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.
- •Wellspring Monday 21st March, 8pm at St Chad's.
- •Spring Craft Fair to be held on Saturday 30th April, (PLEASE NOTE REVISED DATE) 1pm-3pm at St Chad's. Stalls to include Art, Jewellery, Cards, Crafts, Needlework, painting. Face **Picture** frames, Hair accessories etc. Both Irby Primary & Dawpool Primary to have their own stalls. Volunteers needed to make homemade cakes, and to sell and sell tea & coffee. 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 DeBoorder on 648 6331. Tables £8 each, proceeds to Church funds. Please ring Chris Rostock on 07970030794 if you would like to book a table.
- •SOSO (Singing our Socks off) Tuesday 22nd March, 8pm at St Chad's.

- •Songs of Praise from BBC will be recording at Liverpool Cathedral on Saturday 14th May. Tickets are free but limited. If there are enough people Irby Methodist Church will hire a coach, for which there will be a charge. If you would like to attend then please give your name ASAP to either Leslie Worrall on 648 5590 or Eleanor Dean on 342 4729. The coach will leave early afternoon and recording will be between 4.30pm-7.30pm. For more information please see notice board, which also has details of Pentecost Live on Sunday 15th May.
- •Mothers' Union (EMU) to meet on Wednesday 23rd March, 8pm at St Chad's. Crafts with Chris Carlson.
- •Wirral Foodbank urgently need the following items: Juice, Tinned Vegetables, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Fruit, Rice, UHT Milk, and Packet Soup. We have plenty of Baked Beans, Cereals, & Tea, Thanks. You can now donate food at any ONE STOP SHOP, Library or CO-OP Store, alternatively you can deliver food directly to our office Mon Thu (10am 2pm) at the following address: Unit 14, Wirral Business Centre Dock Road, Birkenhead, CH41 1JW.
- •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.

- Electoral Roll The Church Electoral roll is a list of people who consider themselves to belong to our church. The existing roll is displayed on the notice board and forms are available at the back of church. Please check if you are on the roll and IF NOT please fill in a form by Sunday 27th March 2016.
- •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.voicemisic.org.uk/residential or see notice board for more information.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 19:28-40

All: Glory to you, O Lord

²⁸ After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it." ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸ saying,

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰ He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 27 th March
Isaiah 5:1-7	TBA
Revelation 7:9-12	
Luke 19:28-40	

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