The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad Thurstaston and Irby Sunday 17th July – Trinity 8



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 2¹/₂ can attend Junior Church (term time) at St Chad's

Collect for today	Post-Communion Prayer
Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.	Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope;
Amen	and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life;
	glory to you for ever. Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For the World: Sovereign God, give grace to those who lead our Government and nation that they may use their gifts and abilities to serve the common good, and to seek that unity which is your gift and your will; through him who came not to be served but to serve, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the sick: Please continue to pray for Hilary Bradshaw, Kate Jones (daughter of Brian and Janet Jones), Joel in Alderhey hospital following the road traffic accident in Irby on 25th June. Please pray for those in hospital.

For the parish: Please pray for Philip Sillitoe & Debra Harding, Darren Tilston & Rebecca Fleetwood and John Brothwood & Siobhan Sillitoe having their banns reads at St Bartholomew's today. Please pray for Daniel Griffiths & Amanda Hoey to be married at St Bartholomew's on Saturday. Please pray for Lucas Anderson to be baptised next Sunday at St Bartholomew's at 3pm.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle: Archbishop Onesphore Rwaje, Archbishop of L'Eglise Episcopal au Rwanda and Bishop of Gasabo.

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

Pray remembering the many lives changed forever by the Somme Offensive.

Services TODAY – Trinity 8

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

Services next week Wednesday 20th July (Mid-week service) 10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

Sunday 24th July – Trinity 9

8.00am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
9.30am	Family Communion	St Chad's
11.15am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
3.00pm	Baptism	St Bartholomew's

Notices and Announcements

- •Come and Sing (Today) Sunday 17th July 8.00pm at St Chad's: You may remember following sabbatical that Revd Jane spoke of us learning a new Gloria to be used in both churches, well now is the time to come and learn it ready for us to introduce it over the Summer. We will also be learning a new communion hymn. All are welcome – come and share in the joy of singing together whilst learning these new pieces.
- •Could you be our Church Warden? See separate flier for more information.
- •Could you be our Treasurer? See separate flier for more information.
- •**Crosstalk magazine** The July/Aug magazine is available at the back of church for 50p.
- •SOSO (Singing our Socks off) Tuesdays, 26th July, 8pm at St Chad's.

- •Church family picnic, (Today) Sunday 17th July from 11.30am onwards at Royden Park, (near the trains). Everyone from all congregations welcome. Bring your friends, a picnic and something to sit on.
- •St Beartholomew's Day on Saturday 20th August, 2pm-4pm. Popular event with Teddy bear parachute jumps from the Tower of St Bartholomew's.
- •Summer closure for maintenance St Chad's will be closed from Monday 15th August to Saturday 27th August for maintenance. Volunteers are needed for the following tasks:
 - Volunteer(s) to oversee the work needed to be carried out. This would involve, opening & closing up the building, ensure we have the necessary tools and materials & arrange the work parties.
 - 2) Volunteers to carry out the actual work.

The main job that is to be done is the repair, rubdown & repainting of all the external window frames and doors of the building.

If anyone can help, could they either ring Chris Perry at home on 0151 648 6958 (evenings are best) or email me at pedperry@googlemail.com

•Summer Serenade with Strawberry Tea

at St. John the Baptist Mother's Union, Great Meols on Tuesday 19th July 2pm, in the church centre, in aid of Mothers' Union charities.

Last year's event was a great success, please join us again this year,

and enjoy an afternoon of music and refreshment, in support of the work of the Mother's Union at home and abroad.

Tickets in advance or pay at the door \pounds 3.50p

For further information please contact Julia on 07821 047 529

•Wirral Foodbank urgently need the following items: Pasta sauce, tinned potatoes, instant mashed potato, custard, biscuits, female hygiene and toilet rolls. 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.

- •Quiet Day with Dean Pete Wilcox on 26th September 2016. Theme: the book of Ruth £20 inc. lunch. For further information visit www.foxhillconferences.co.uk Tel:01928733777 email:foxhill@chester.anglican.org
- •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.
- •Easy Fundraising Every penny makes a real difference so please remember to keep collecting free donations every time you shop and help us raise even more https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/cause s/stbartholomewstchad
- Sponsored Cycle event in aid of the Barnabas Fund, which supports Kenyan girls rescued by their Vicar from the dreadful custom of Female Genital Mutilation. At the end of May, Canon John Bowers and his son Chris are to cycle 250 miles, calling at Bangor Cathedral and then over to Anglesey, where they plan to spend time in various ancient churches. Last year £18,720 was raised. Should you wish to add your support, please send your cheque pavable to Barnabas Fund C/O Canon John Bowers, 2 Shalford Grove, West Kirby, CH48 9XY or alternatively fill in the sponsor form at the back of church and put your money in the envelope. Please state if your gift is to benefit from Gift Aid.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 10:38-42

All: Glory to you, O Lord

38Now as Jesus and his disciples went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. 39She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. 40But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to Jesus and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' 41But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; 42there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 24 th July
Gen 18:1-10a	Gen 18:20-32
Col 1:15-28	Col 2:6-15(16-19)
Luke 10:38-42	Luke 11:1-13

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