

**The Churches of
St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
Sunday 16th October – Trinity 21**



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

Almighty God,
in whose service lies perfect freedom:
teach us to obey you
with loving hearts and steadfast wills;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Father of light,
in whom is no change or shadow of
turning,
you give us every good and perfect gift
and have brought us to birth by your word
of truth:

may we be a living sign of that kingdom
where your whole creation will be made
perfect
in 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 Hilary Bradshaw, Kate Jones (daughter of Brian and Janet Jones) and Joel Murray. Please pray for those in hospital.

For the parish: Please pray for the PCC and those working on finance and grant applications for St Bartholomew's. Please pray for Benjamin Young and Benjamin Parker to be baptised at 3pm next week at St Bartholomew's.

From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:

Bishop Dhiloraj Ranjit Canagasabey, Colombo; Vacant, Kurunagala (Ceylon) (Extra-Provincial to the Archbishop of Canterbury).

From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle:

In this 150th anniversary year of Reader Ministry we pray for those admitted and licensed by Bishop Keith in the cathedral yesterday and the ministries they are beginning:

Ruth Abbott (Burton), Ruth Calcott (Hoylake), Robert Croft (Chester, St Mary), Sam Denniss (Heswall), Sarah Dutton (Blacon), John Grainger (Mobberley), Julie Hassall (Middlewich), and Helen Oldham (Over Peover).

Also pray for those transferring to a new parish and those becoming emeritus. Offer thanks for the ministry of Readers in this diocese.

Services TODAY – Trinity 21

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

Services next week

Wednesday 19th October (Mid-week service)

10.15am Holy Communion St Chad's

Sunday 23rd October – Trinity 22 or Bible Sunday

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

Notices and Announcement

• **Faith Pictures** a fresh way to talk about things that matter. Everyone welcome at St Chad's on Thursdays at 8pm on 27th October and 3rd, 10th & 17th November. See magazine for further information.

• **Pumpkin Party** in St Chad's Church Extension on Monday 31st October, 6.00-7.30pm. Family Fun, Party Games, Pumpkin Crafts, Treats and a Bonfire. £2.00 per child-payable on the night. Please bring a small pumpkin per family and tools with which to hollow and carve your pumpkin. Please sign the sheet at the back of church if you would like to come or phone 648 8169 or e-mail office@thurstaston.org.uk by Friday 21st October. No witches, wizards, ghouls or other scary costumes-Thank You!

• **Are you ready for Mission Possible?**

Your chance to make a difference! Register your place on the 2017 diocesan lay conference. For a limited period of time one **free** place is being reserved for each parish (we will try to share this free place between however many people want to go). We would like as many parishes as possible to be part of the conference at The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Alfreton DE55 1AU. We are looking to have delegates attending from all parts of the diocese. . Please put the dates in your diary now and let Revd Jane know that you are interested. Friday, 19 May to Sunday, 21 May 2017. For more information about this and the previous notice go to www.chester.anglican.org/ebulletin

- **3rd Irby brownies** has now opened at St Chad's. We meet every Monday, 6.45pm-8pm and we have a vacancy for a Barn Owl or a Tawny Owl! This could be a job share. If you are interested or would like more info please speak to Gemma Willerton (BrownOwl) gwillerton10@gmail.com or Lynn Mc Coy (Snowy Owl) lynnmccoy15@gmail.com
- **Crosstalk magazine** The **October** magazine is available at the back of church for 50p.
- **Christmas cards** for sale in both churches. £2.50 per pack. All profit to church funds. Please take a look.
- **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/causes/stbartholomewstchad>
- **Mothers' Union (EMU)** on Wednesday 26th October, 8pm at St Chad's. Crafts for the Christmas Fair with Chris Carlson. All Welcome.
- **SOSO** (Singing our Socks off) Tuesday's 11th & 25th October, 8pm at St Chad's.
- **Men's Breakfast** at Thornton Hall Hotel, 8am-10am on Saturday 10th December (Speaker Robin Oake). Only £10 per ticket. For more information visit www.wirralbreakfast.co.uk, phone 0151 347 5658 or speak to Matt James on 07817625122 or mjames@doctors.org.uk
- **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.

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GOSPEL READING: Luke 18:1-8

All: Glory to you, O Lord

1 Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. 2 He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. 3 In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." 4 For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, 5 yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" 6 And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. 7 And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? 8 I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Readings for Today	Readings for 23 rd October
Jer 31:27-34	Joel 2:23-32
2 Tim 3:14-4:5	2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:1-8	Luke 18:9-14

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