

**The Churches of  
St Bartholomew and St Chad  
Thurstaston and Irby  
15<sup>th</sup> April – Easter 3**



Welcome to Church today.

We hope that you enjoy the service and gain a sense of God's presence with us.

**Services TODAY – Easter 3**

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

**Services next week**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April**

10.15 am	Holy Communion	St Chads
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**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Easter 4 - 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Revd. Janes Induction**

8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Bartholomew's
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**Collect**

Risen Christ,  
you filled your disciples with boldness  
and fresh hope:  
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life  
and fill us with your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.

*Amen.*

**Post-Communion Prayer**

Living God,  
your Son made himself known to his  
disciples  
in the breaking of bread:  
open the eyes of our faith,  
that we may see him in all his redeeming  
work;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.  
*Amen*

**FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**For the World:** Please pray for peace in all the countries that are currently experiencing conflict.

**For the Parish:** Please pray for the meeting of parishioners and APCM as these take place tomorrow Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April

**For the sick:** Please pray for Mark Densson, Graham Barley, David Cunnington, Anna Drysdale and Revd Andrew Scaife (retired from Arrowe Park Hospital as Chaplain last year). Please pray for those in hospital.

**From the Anglican Prayer Cycle:** Bishop James Scobie Newcome; Bishop Robert Freeman, Carlisle (York, England)

**From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle** Please pray for those who work with our children and young people, for those who are called to work with them in the future, and for those who train them.

## GOSPEL READING: John 10:11-18

### All: Glory to you, O Lord

<sup>11</sup> "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup> The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. <sup>13</sup> The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

<sup>14</sup> "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—<sup>15</sup> just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup> I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. <sup>17</sup> The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. <sup>18</sup> No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

### All: Praise to you, O Christ

<b>Readings for Today</b> Acts 3:12-19 1 John 3:1-7 Luke 24:36b-48	<b>Readings for 22<sup>nd</sup> April</b> Exodus 16:4-5 Luke 24:36b-48
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