

**The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
16th August 2020 – Tenth Sunday after Trinity**



<p>Collect Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen</p>	<p>Post-Communion Prayer God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen</p>
<p>FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK</p> <p>For our Community: Please pray for young people who received exam results this week, for those now seeking employment and those who are beginning to prepare to go to University. Please pray for those awaiting results in the coming week who will then make decisions about whether to continue in education or seek employment.</p> <p>For our Church: Please pray for safety and wisdom as we begin to re-open our church buildings. Pray for those who will serve as Stewards and those who have volunteered to run the booking system. Pray for those as yet unable to return to services and for our continuing online (facebook) ministry.</p> <p>For wedding couples: Jarrad and Nicki planning for their re-scheduled wedding on 22nd August..</p> <p>For the world: Please pray for all those impacted by the explosion in Beirut. Please continue to pray for countries struggling to reduce the number of Coronavirus infections and deaths.</p> <p>For the Bereaved: Please pray for family and friends of James Nash (relative of a congregation member) who was tragically attacked in his own garden in broad daylight and died as a result of his injuries.</p> <p>For the Sick: Please continue to pray for Molly (aged 2), Samuel Williams (extended family of Linda and Graham Barley), Karen Fox, Anna Drysdale, Audrey Fernyhough, Roy Fordham, Moira and Peter DeBoorder (Sister and Brother in law of Julie DeBoorder) and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.</p> <p>From the Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Lord, widen our compassion and move us to learn from others that we may learn from you</p> <p>From the Anglican Prayer Cycle: Bishop Daniel Martins, Springfield (The Episcopal Church, USA). Bishop Alan Smith, St Albans; Bishop Richard Atkinson, St Albans - Bedford; Bishop Michael Beasley, St Albans - Hertford (England).</p>	

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GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 15:21-28

All: Glory to you, O Lord

²¹ Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. ²² A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is demon-possessed and suffering terribly."

²³ Jesus did not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, "Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us."

²⁴ He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel."

²⁵ The woman came and knelt before him. "Lord, help me!" she said.

²⁶ He replied, "It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs."

²⁷ "Yes it is, Lord," she said. "Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table."

²⁸ Then Jesus said to her, "Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted." And her daughter was healed at that moment.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

ISAIAH 56:1, 6-8

¹ Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed.

⁶ And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,
and to be his servants,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,
and hold fast my covenant—

⁷ these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;

for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.

⁸ Thus says the Lord GOD,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,
I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered.

PSALM 67

¹ May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
² that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.

³ *Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.*

⁴ Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

⁵ *Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.*

⁶ The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.

⁷ May God continue to bless us;
let all the ends of the earth revere him.

Next Sunday: 23rd August

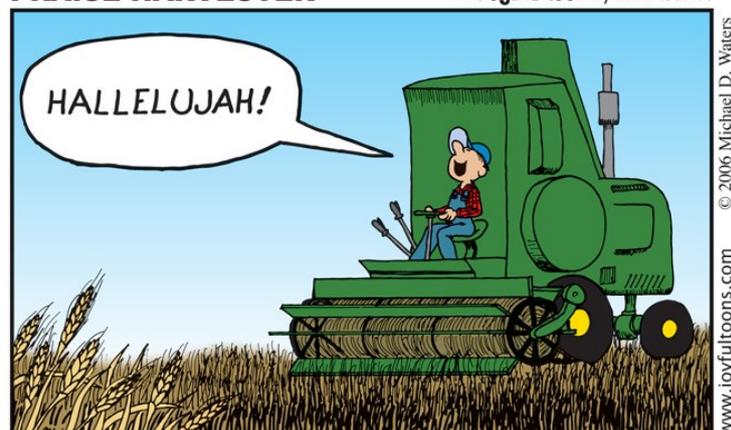
Service at St Chad's 9.30am

Don't forget to book your seat
Details on front page of our website and
circulated as a separate leaflet on 9th August -
contact Parish Office if you need a copy.

Sermon on Facebook and by email
continues as throughout pandemic but will
not be posted until after Service in church.

PRAISE HARVESTER

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you. Then the land will yield its harvest, and God, our God, will bless us.

— PSALM 67:5-6 NIV

An Update from the Treasurer (July 31st 2020):-

Once again - THANK YOU for your continued donations which is helping us to continue to pay essential bills.

In July the newly set-up (in response to Covid-19) D/Ds totalled £ 965
Regular weekly (Green) envelopes plus donations in cash or by cheque delivered to the Rectory have totalled £2782
So **income** (which would have come in through church services had we been physically meeting) totalled **£3747**
This compares to a total in July 2019 of £3625

This month we have had another couple of new Direct Debits set up (thank you)
and also received two one-off donations totalling £800.00 (thank you)

We must also continue to thank those who have long-standing direct debits (which are not included in the figures above for either 2019 or 2020) for your continued support.

We are making some savings as a result of not physically meeting which helps to balance this a little bit. We obviously have an ongoing loss of income from Hall Hire and as a result we have temporarily reduced our parish share payments to the diocese.

WHILE BUILDINGS REMAIN CLOSED ALL DONATIONS SHOULD BE SENT TO:-

Mr K Marley (Treasurer), c/o The Rectory, 77 Thingwall Rd, Irby, Wirral, CH61 3UB

OR IF POSSIBLE BY BACS TRANSFER: CAF Bank Ltd, Sort code:40/52/40 Account: 00018674

In the "Reference Box" – please make sure to include your name – and if space allows the words "regular giving". It would then be helpful if you emailed the Treasurer with the start date, frequency and amount.

pcc-treasurer@thurstaston.org.uk

Dear St Bartholomew's and St Chad's planned giving scheme supporters,

Can we thank you on behalf of Thurstaston PCC all for your support for our churches during these trying times of the Covid 19 pandemic. We know that many of you have made special arrangements to continue supporting the church through newly set up standing orders or by sending cheques or your filled planned giving scheme envelopes to the Treasurer Kevin Marley (via the Rectory and other various routes). Anyone who has any doubt about how to support our churches during these times please contact Chris Turnbull - Chris can send standing order and gift aid forms and bank details etc. Our churches have many running costs which continue even though we have lost many sources of income e.g. hall hire, social events etc. so support is really needed to continue the good work of the church in Thurstaston and Irby.

It is now time for us to order the planned giving envelopes for next year which commence in October. We realise that as many of you have changed your method of giving that you may not want planned giving scheme envelopes any more. It will save us quite a lot of money if only those who will use planned giving scheme envelopes receive them, so please if you do not want them any more or you want to discuss anything please contact Chris Turnbull as gift aid officer (phone 0151 625 0089 or 07768 636 202 or email turnbullcj@gmail.com or at home at Springfield, Pinetree Drive, West Kirby, Wirral CH48 8AT) or contact Chris Smale Planned Giving Scheme Officer (phone 648 4944 or email postmaster@thesmales.plus.com). As we will be ordering envelopes in the next 10 days a prompt response would be very helpful.

Best Wishes to you all during these hard times. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Chris Turnbull Thurstaston PCC Gift Aid Officer and Chris Smale Planned Giving Scheme Officer

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Welcome to the online resource to help you find support services near you. We are here to support Wirral residents requiring advice, guidance and additional help during this ongoing and difficult coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis.