

The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad Thurstaston and Irby 4th September 2022 - Trinity 12



Collect

God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness, increase your
grace within us, that our thankfulness may
grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

God of all mercy,
in this eucharist you have set aside our sins
and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole
in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For our Community:

Please pray for all who serve us in our local community

Please pray for all in our school communities as a new term begins, and for all those starting new courses or careers.

For our Church:

Please pray for Bishops Mark; Julie and Sam, & Archdeacons Mike and Ian

Please pray for Revd Malcolm Cowan and others who serve in the Chaplaincy department of the hospital

Please pray for your PCC which meets on 12th September

For the world:

Please pray for all who work in politics and especially for those seeking to become the next Prime Minister.

Please pray for Peace

Please pray for all countries of the world where people suffer from war, natural disasters and the effects of climate change

For the Sick: Please pray for Meira Evans-Jones, Baz Ward (Elizabeth Barton and Joyce Kenworthy's brother), Brian Tucker, Duncan Wardle (Graham Barley's nephew), Kate McMahon (relative of Elizabeth Barton), Amanda Fletcher (Margaret and Tonys daughter in law), Dot Turner, Jean Boler, Laurence Smith and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For the Bereaved:

September 2022 Services

Morning Prayer St Chad's Prayer Room 9.00am MOST Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays
(check with Revd Jane for cancellations due to other meetings or commitments)

EVERY Wednesday 10.30am HC at St Chads

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| Sun 4th Sept | 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
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| Sun 11th Sept | 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am All Age Service at St Chad's |
| Sun 18th Sept | 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew's |
| Sun 25th Sept
HARVEST | 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Communion at St Chad's (with Junior Church) |
| Sun 2nd Oct | 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Communion at St Bartholomew's |

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Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵ See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶ If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷ But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸ I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹ I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰ loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

New Testament Reading: Philemon 1-21

¹ Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ² to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house:

³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵ because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. ⁶ I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷ I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

⁸ For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, ⁹ yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰ I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹ Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹² I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³ I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴ but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵ Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, ¹⁶ no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷ So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸ If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹ I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰ Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹ Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 14:25-33

All: Glory to you, O Lord

²⁵ Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰ saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." ³¹ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³ So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Father,

September – a month of new starts for many. We pray for all starting school, university or college, or moving into a new class or job.

We pray for the new Prime Minister to prove to be a person of integrity, dedicated to working for the good of all.

We especially ask you to help those struggling with the rising cost of living who don't know how they are going to make ends meet.

Have mercy on this nation, Lord and bring us back to Your ways.

Thank You for Jesus and that through trusting in Him we can know You, as Father and God of truth, mercy and compassion.

Thank You that You never give up on us. You will help us if we turn to You,

In Jesus name,

Amen.



St Beartholomew's Day

Thank you to everyone who helped on the day and to everyone who came and joined in the fun. We raised £183.00 for church funds.



HARVEST - 25TH SEPT

9.00am BCP HC at St Bartholomew's
10.30am HC with Junior Church at St Chad's

Non perishable Gifts for Wirral food bank would be much appreciated.



Monetary Donations will also be received for Christian Aid.

Could Boxholders please deliver their house boxes to St Chad's or St Bartholomew's for counting.

If anyone requires a box to be collected from their home, please contact Jean Heath (648 6015) or Barabra Kozer (342 8039).

There will be a coffee morning for the society on Saturday 5th November from 10am at Barnstables, 233 Irby Rd, which is open to all, but we would like the boxes ASAP please.



The Children's Society

Prayer Room at St Chad's

This space has been created for anyone to use for prayer.

You are welcome to drop in whenever the parish office is open (usually Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday mornings).

Revd Jane will be saying morning prayer usually on Monday Wednesday and Friday mornings at 9.00am and you are welcome to join her.

Community groups using the hall will also have access to this space.



Revd Margaret Fletcher "hangs up her robes"

Margaret's "permission to officiate" granted by Bishop Mark came to an end on 2nd August, and Margaret has decided not to apply for this license to be extended.

The 10.30am Morning Worship on Sunday 18th September will include thanksgiving for Margaret's ministry amongst us. Please do join us at this service.



Helping the bereaved find support
ataloss.org

Are you Experiencing Domestic Abuse?

Freephone
24 hr Helpline
0808 2000 247

Irby Pharmacy is a safe space

St Bartholomew and St Chad takes its duty and obligation to protect all extremely seriously. We have adopted the national Church of England's robust procedures and guidelines. You can find out more about the national policies and procedures at www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding



Safeguarding is
Everyone's
Responsibility