

The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad Thurstaston and Irby 20th November 2022 - Christ the King



Collect

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, one glory.
Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good
works, may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through 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 local businesses, schools, and community groups
Please pray for all the people living in your street.

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

For the world:

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, Kate McMahon (relative of Elizabeth Barton), Amanda Fletcher (Margaret and Tony's daughter in law), Dot Turner, Jean Boler, Laurence Smith, Karen Ormsby, Robin Blythe (Yasmin Whitehead's father) and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For the Bereaved:

Forthcoming 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 20th Nov | 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Morning Worship at St Barts |
| Sun 27th Nov | 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Communion at St Chad's (with Junior Church) |
| Sun 4th Dec | 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts |

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Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

23 Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ² Therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³ Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. ⁵ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

New Testament Reading: Colossians 1:11-20

¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.



GOSPEL READING: Luke 23:33-43

All: Glory to you, O Lord

³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [³⁴ Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.']] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷ and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah?' Save yourself and us!' ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?' ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' ⁴² Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' ⁴³ He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

WUTH Charity 
supporting
Arrowe Park & Clatterbridge Hospital

Tiny Stars 
Christmas 
Carol Service

featuring Cantemus at Calday Choir

Tuesday 13th December
630pm
Christ Church, Port Sunlight CH62 5EF
Tickets £8 (includes mince pie and refreshments)

For tickets call
0151 482 7788

Charity Registration 1050469



Wirral Flower Club
Presents

HERE COMES
Christmas

An exhibition of Christmas Flowers & Crafts
at
St. Chad's Church Hall,
Roslin Road, Irby CH61 3UH
on
Friday 9th December 10am - 5pm
Saturday 10th December 10am - 5pm

Admission £1

Refreshments served all day
Christmas Market - Raffle - Tombola





YOU'RE INVITED TO FOLLOW THE STAR AS WE EXPLORE THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS TOGETHER

Explore 12 days of reflections, starting 24 December 2022

Each day, read or listen to a Bible passage, short reflection and prayer,
in the way that suits you:

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- ★ Tell your smart speaker to "Ask the Church of England for today's Follow the Star reflection"
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Advanced Notice of December Services including Christmas

Dec 4th

9.00am BCP Communion - Barts
10.30am Communion - Barts

Dec 11th

9.00am BCP Communion - Barts
10.30am All-Age Chads - Nativity

Dec 18th

9.00am BCP Communion - Barts
10.30am Morning Worship - Barts
6.30pm Carol Service at St Chads

Saturday 24th Dec Christmas Eve

3.00pm Crib Service at St Chads
(focused for KS1 and younger children)
6.00pm Christingle Service at St Bart's
(focused for KS2 and above and adults)
11.15pm Holy Communion at St Bart's

Dec 25th - Christmas Day

9.00am BCP Communion - Barts
10.30am Communion - Chads

1st Jan

10.30am Methodist Covenant Service at
Irby Methodist Church – *This will be our
only service this day and we encourage
everyone to join us.*



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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**