

**The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
19th February - Sunday Next before Lent**



Collect

Holy God,
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
set straight our crooked hearts,
and bend our wills to love your goodness
and your glory
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Holy God,
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to change and
save.
This we ask 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 and for local businesses 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 Brian Tucker, Kate McMahon (relative of Elizabeth Barton), Amanda Fletcher (Margaret and Tonys daughter in law), Dot Turner, Robin Blythe (Yasmin Whitehead's father), Roger Dennison, Tony Fletcher and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For the Bereaved: Family and friends of Margaret Mude (Beverley Appleyard's Mum - funeral 23rd Feb 10.30am at Landican)

*A warm welcome
for all
at the
Warm Hub*

Everyone is welcome to come and be in a warm, safe space at St. Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irby CH61 3UH
0151 648 8169



Tuesdays 9.00am - 12.30pm



Refreshments, free WIFI, disabled access and a chance to chat with friends.



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

**Sun 19th February 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's
10.30am Morning Worship at St Barts**

**Sun 26th February 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's
10.30am Communion at St Chad's**

**Sun 5th March 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's
10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts**

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Revd Jane Turner 648 1816 (Day off Tuesday). E-Mail: rector@thurstaston.org.uk

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 24:12-18

¹² The LORD said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' ¹³ So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴ To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶ The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷ Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸ Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

New Testament Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-21

¹⁶ For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' ¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹ So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰ First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹ because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

PSALM 99:1-5

- 1 The Lord is king: let the peoples tremble; ♦
he is enthroned above the cherubim: let the earth shake.
- 2 The Lord is great in Zion ♦
and high above all peoples.
- 3 Let them praise your name, which is great and awesome; ♦
the Lord our God is holy.
- 4 Mighty king, who loves justice,
you have established equity; ♦
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.
- 5 *Exalt the Lord our God; ♦
bow down before his footstool, for he is holy.*



Saturday 25th March 2023

10.30am – 12.30pm at Jean Heath's, 'Barnstables', 233 Irby Road



All Welcome to a **COFFEE MORNING FOR THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY**

with Bring & Buy,
Craft Stall and ShoeBeDoo

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 17:1-9

All: Glory to you, O Lord

17 Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³ Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴ Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' ⁵ While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' ⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' ⁸ And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

MEETING OF PARISHIONERS AND ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING Monday 24th April 2023 in St Chad's, starting at 7.30 pm.

We need Church Wardens, Deanery Synod Members and PCC Members

If elected, you would need to be willing to do a DBS check and a couple of safeguarding training modules

More details in February Magazine (<https://www.thurstaston.org.uk/news/monthly-magazine/2023-magazines/>)

As we come into another year for the church, please have a think if you could join the PCC. I have been on the committee for a long time and will be re-standing this year.

Yes there are boring bits about finances and pipes, but also important decisions to be made that cannot happen without members. Being part of all sorts of topics discussed, things like our mission to serve the community, growing people in their faith and supporting each other are the rewarding bits. All opinions are valued and varied ones very much needed.

If you could spare an evening every few months, to help the church grow and to give your ideas and opinions, you would be welcomed and a valued new voice.

Julie DeBoorder



PCC MATTERS



Treasurer Needed

The PCC currently pays a bookkeeper to undertake day to day transactions, banking of money and paying of bills etc. The PCC finance sub committee makes decisions based on the information in the parish accounts, but they would very much value having someone to act as treasurer (who does not need to be a member of the PCC) to assist with producing financial reports for the PCC and the annual meeting, as well as interpreting the more complicated aspects of banking decisions eg parish share.

Please speak to Revd Jane or the PCC secretary (Graham Barley) or a member of the finance committee (Chris Smale, Malcolm Studholme, Pat Neil) if you think you could help.

MONDAYS IN LENT 2023

7.30-9.00pm Everyone Welcome

St Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irby, CH61 3UH
Issues Facing the Church (and the World) Today



27th February Revd Peter Mackriell

Head of Diocesan Counselling Services

"Be transformed..." Mental health matters: exploring together how to stay connected with self, with others and with God.

6th March Rt Revd Julie Conalty

Diocesan Lead Bishop for Safeguarding

"Good Samaritans and Good Shepherds"

13th March Revd Mike Loach

Chair of Diocesan Environment Forum

"Can human beings be taught to share"

20th March The Ven Michael Gilbertson

Archdeacon of Chester

"Good News for the poor"

27th March Ms Julie Okundaye

Chair of Diocesan Race and Ethnicity Forum

"Allyship" -the quality or practice of helping or supporting other people who are part of a group that is treated badly or unfairly

3rd April Padre Ailsa Whorton

Chaplain to "1st The Queen's Dragoon Guards"

"What's it like to have a son as a trained killer?"

How I've learned to work alongside those in the

British Army

Each Session will be "standalone"

so you can come to whichever sessions you are able.

It would be lovely to welcome you to all of the sessions.

YOU ARE INVITED TO COME AND MAKE FISH TO BE INCLUDED IN AN ART INSTALLATION AT CHESTER CATHEDRAL IN MAY

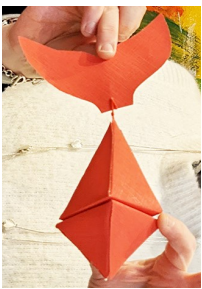
THURS. 23rd Feb. 7.00-9.00pm

St Chad's Church, Roslin Rd, Irby

EVERYONE WELCOME — Bring a Friend

The installation of community artwork will comprise of a shoal of paper fish 1000 strong and produced by parishes from across the diocese.

The fish can be made using Recycled Christmas/Birthday cards, old calendars, glossy magazine covers, wallpaper samples or other strong paper / light card. If you have any of these, please do bring them with you.



Warm Hub Volunteers Needed

The existing warm hub volunteers are able to keep the warm hub open until the end of February. It has been really encouraging to see an increasing number of people coming each week. It is providing a place for people to enjoy the company of others and would be very much appreciated if it could keep going as a warm place of welcome. Therefore we are seeking some more volunteers who going forwards would be willing to be a part of rota (for example once a month) and allow the existing volunteers to have some weeks when they are not required to be there. If you are interested in helping, why not pop along on Tuesday morning between 9.30-12.30 and see what it's all about. If you then decide that you would like to volunteer, you can speak to Susan or Chris Smale, Cheryl Goddard or Revd Jane. You would need to do a DBS check and some safeguarding training.



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**