

**The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
3rd September - Trinity 13**



Collect

Almighty God,
you search us and know us:
may we rely on you in strength
and rest on you in weakness,
now and in all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

God our creator,
you feed your children with the true manna,
the living bread from heaven:
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly
pilgrimage until we come to that place
where hunger and thirst are no more;
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

Please pray for children and young people - starting school, changing school, starting college/university/new job

For our Church:

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

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 Amanda Fletcher (Margaret and Tonys daughter in law), Robin Blythe (Yasmin Whitehead's father), Margaret Fordham, Tina Samson, Jane Fellows (Dot Turner's daughter), John Reynolds 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

Sun 3rd September **9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's**
 10.30am Holy Communion at St Barts

Sun 10th September **9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's**
 10.30am All Age Service at St Chad's

Sun 17th September **9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's**
 10.30am Morning Worship at St Barts

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Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah

15:15-21

¹⁵ O LORD, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and bring down retribution for me on my
persecutors.

In your forbearance do not take me away;
know that on your account I suffer insult.

¹⁶ Your words were found, and I ate them,
and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart;

for I am called by your name,
O LORD, God of hosts.

¹⁷ I did not sit in the company of merry-makers,
nor did I rejoice;

under the weight of your hand I sat alone,
for you had filled me with indignation.

¹⁸ Why is my pain unceasing,
my wound incurable,
refusing to be healed?

Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail.

¹⁹ Therefore, thus says the LORD:
If you turn back, I will take you back,
and you shall stand before me.

If you utter what is precious, and not what is
worthless,

you shall serve as my mouth.

It is they who will turn to you,
not you who will turn to them.

²⁰ And I will make you to this people
a fortified wall of bronze;

they will fight against you,
but they shall not prevail over you,

for I am with you
to save you and deliver you,
says the LORD.

²¹ I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

New Testament Reading: Romans 12:9-21

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' ²⁰ No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

A warm welcome
for all
at the
Warm Hub

New from September:

Guest speaker

on 4th Tuesday of the month

Talks start at 10.30a.m.

See notice on St. Chad's door for up-to-date information

All free of
charge

Open to everyone, so please drop in!

St. Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irby CH61 3UH

0151 648 8169

Tuesdays 9.30a.m.—12.30p.m.

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



PLACES OF WELCOME The Warm Hub now belongs to a growing
national network of Places of Welcome.
Visit www.placesofwelcome.org.uk for more information



GOSPEL READING: Matthew 16:21-28

All: Glory to you, O Lord

²¹ From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²² And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' ²³ But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶ For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

²⁷ 'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ



DISCIPLESHIP EXPLORED

Discipleship Explored Wednesday Evenings 8.00-9.30pm St Chad's Extension

6th Sept Confident in Christ
13th Sept Living in Christ
20th Sept One in Christ
27th Sept Obedient in Christ

11th Oct Righteous in Christ
18th Oct Transformed in Christ
25th Oct Rejoicing in Christ
1st Nov Content in Christ

You will need a copy of the course booklet, so please let Revd Jane know if you are planning to come. If you can afford £3.00 to pay for your booklet that would be great, but don't let that stop you from coming, we'd be delighted to give you a booklet anyway.

Discipleship Explored has been designed to help followers of Jesus discover the joy, unity, righteousness and love which are theirs in Christ.

This eight-session journey through Paul's letter to the Philippians aims to help believers young and old to discover the greatest love anyone could ever know, and how to live as disciples of Christ Jesus today.

It is for anyone who wants to make the most of their Christian life, but especially for people who have recently decided to follow Christ.

It features documentary-style films and inspiring real-life stories from around the world, Bible studies and weekly reading plans.

7.30pm Wednesday
29th November

Kings Church,
Victoria Fields,
Birkenhead, CH42 0PF

Tickets £6.00

An Evening with
ROB PARSONS
Reflections on the Journey

Revd Jane is going to this. You can buy your own ticket from the link below - which also details how to request a complimentary ticket if you cannot afford the £6.00:-
<https://www.careforthefamily.org.uk/events/tourevents/an-evening-with-rob-parsons/>
If you don't do online and would like Revd Jane to buy you a ticket please ask.
If you do buy your own ticket,
please let Revd Jane know and we can then plan to car share.

An Exhibition of Icons

Fri 29th Sept - Sun 1st Oct 9am-5pm

Liverpool Parish Church, Chapel Street, Liverpool, L2 8TZ
Free Admission. All Welcome. Poster on Church Noticeboard.

More info: www.bai.org.uk/exhibition-2023

Summer Saturdays at St Chad's Garden - Access from gate nearest to Roslin Rd. In extension if wet.
10am – 12 noon, Sat 2nd and 9th Sept EVERYONE WELCOME
 Relax in the garden and meet friends. Peaceful woodland walk. Refreshments
 Safe Space for children* with activities and garden toys - *children must be accompanied by a responsible adult



In the old days we didn't need a tin opener to enjoy the Harvest Festival!

HARVEST FESTIVAL 24TH SEPTEMBER

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Communion at St Chads

You are invited to bring donations (large or small):-

Monetary Gifts for **The Leprosy Mission**

Come and hear more about the work of The Leprosy Mission from our guest speaker Michael Hardie.
 Thursday 14th September, 8.00pm at St Chad's,
EVERYONE WELCOME

Leprosy Mission Catalogues will also be available - they sell a range of Christmas Cards and fairly traded gifts, plus much more.

Non perishable gifts for **Wirral Foodbank** - see below for requests of what is most needed



Wirral Foodbank are running short of the items on the Shopping list. Please bring any donations to St Chad's Office and Kate will deliver them to the Foodbank.

SHOPPING LIST

- TINNED MEAT
- TINNED FISH
- TINNED VEGETABLES (PEAS, CARROTS, SWEETCORN)
- TINNED CUSTARD
- TINNED FRUIT
- JAM
- SHAMPOO
- FEMALE HYGIENE
- TOOTHBRUSHES/PASTE
- DEODORANT

R N I B

They RDA are no longer accepting used postage stamps. However the RNIB will be happy to take them and so, please continue to bring your used stamps to either Church. RNIB do request that you leave if possible 1cm of envelope around the stamp. Thanks in anticipation of your continued support . Jean Heath



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**