

The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad

Thurstaston and Irby

11th May - 4th Sunday of Easter



Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one
flock,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good
shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and
rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
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 schools in our parish.

For our Church:

Please pray for victims and survivors of abuse and safeguarding teams across the diocese.
Please pray for Bishops Mark; Julie and Sam, & Archdeacons Mike and Jane
Please pray for Revd Ailsa Whorton and 1st The Queen's Dragoon Guards, especially Charlie, Alfie, Sean, Bruce and Dav-32 and for all from the Regiment in Kosovo.
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 Paul Checkland (Leslie Worrall's cousin), Anna Kydd (daughter of Revd Gaynor), Archdeacon Jane, Beryl Goodall, Brenda Halifax, Phil Hales, John Reynolds, David Peat (Archies brother), Margaret Fordham, Muriel McKie and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For baptism families: Rosalie (25th May), Grace (24th August), Elijah and Evelyn (26th October)

For the bereaved: Family and friends of Jes Frost, Pauline Wright and Eira Jones

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

Sunday 11th May	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am All-Age at St Chad's
Sunday 18th May	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bart's 10.30am Morning Worship at St Bart's
Sunday 25th May	9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Communion with Junior Church at St Chad's

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

Reading: Acts 9:36-43

³⁶ Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷ At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸ Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' ³⁹ So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰ Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹ He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴² This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Reading: Rev 7:9-17

⁹ After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

¹¹ And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, ¹² singing,

'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honour
and power and might
be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' ¹⁴ I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

¹⁵ For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶ They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷ for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'



Christian Aid Week
70K in May

Cheryl is taking on this challenge to walk 70k (approx 44 miles) during May. Sponsor form at the back of church - all monies raised will be donated to Christian Aid.

Thursday 29th May
Ascension Day
6.45am Morning Service
on Bidston Hill (by the Windmill)

Bring a chair
if you wish to be seated!
Light refreshments will be available afterwards at St Oswald's Bidston.



GOSPEL READING: John 10:22-30

All: Glory to you, O Lord

²² At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴ So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' ²⁵ Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶ but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷ My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰ The Father and I are one.'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Time For You

*Guided relaxation followed
by a free spa guided facial
or hand softening treatment*



**Treat yourself
to an hour of
pure
pampering**

7.30 pm 22nd May

St Chad's Hall, Roslin Rd, Irby CH61 3UH

To book your FREE place - contact the office:-

0151 648 8169 or office@thurstaston.org.uk



Tuesday 27th May
Warm Hub Guests

Ukrainian dancers

We are thrilled to welcome dancers from Ukraine.

They will be dancing in national costumes to traditional Ukrainian music.

The event, including refreshments, is entirely free,

but donations for the dancers themselves will be welcome.

The Warm Hub at St. Chad's Church, Irby is open from 9.30 a.m.,
with tea, coffee and biscuits available.

The Ukrainian Dancers' performance will start at 11.00 a.m.

Everyone is welcome for what promises to be a really lovely and entertaining session.



A warm welcome at the Warm Hub

Every Tuesday 9.30am - 12.30pm

Open to everyone, so please drop in!

St. Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irby CH61 3UH
0151 648 8169

Guest speaker
on 4th Tuesday of the month
Talks start at 10.30a.m.

Tuesday 27th May

"Ukrainian Dancers"

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from Ukraine. The performance will
start at 11am



The Warm Hub
belongs to a
growing national
network of
Places of Welcome



This QR code can be used with mobile phones to
make donations to Church using a debit or credit
card.

It is becoming increasingly important that

- we reduce the amount of cash and cheques
that we handle
- and increase the number of donations made
through PGS, standing orders, or using
electronic payment devices, etc.

The reason being that the PCC is being charged to
bank cash and cheques over a certain limit each
month, and we have reached that limit a few times in
the last year.

Thank you for taking time to prayerfully consider your
donations to church and for all financial support that is
received. Your donations enable us to work towards
our vision of serving Christ in Thurstaston and Irby.

Donations of Flowers for Church: You can make a
donation "in memory of", "in celebration of" or just
because! Please sign up at the back of church. You do
not have to arrange the flowers - the flower team can
do that for you.

Money for your donation (with your contact details and
the date for your flowers) should be given to
the parish office in a clearly marked
envelope, or by BACS indicating that it is
Flower Fund, followed by email to the office.



Please continue to collect and **R N I B**
bring your used stamps to _____
Church.

See differently

RNIB request that, if possible, you leave 1cm
of envelope around the stamp. Thank you for
your continued support. Jean Heath



Are you Experiencing Domestic Abuse?

Freephone
24 hr Helpline
0808 2000 247
Irby Pharmacy is a safe space

Tesco Blue Tokens Grant

We are delighted that Warm Hub has
been allocated a grant of £500.00
Thank you to everyone who voted for us.



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

SHOPPING LIST

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

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**