

The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad

Thurstaston and Irby

27th July - Trinity 6



Collect

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
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 and for local businesses and community groups.

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*, Phil Hales, John Reynolds, David Peat (Archies brother), Margaret Fordham, Robin Blythe and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

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

For the bereaved:

*Update from Archdeacon Jane: On 14th July I received the news from my oncology team that I am cancer-free! The surgery and chemotherapy have worked, and I am so thankful and grateful for your continued prayers and support. As I wrote to a friend recently, 'even as a positive and determined person of faith I didn't realise the shadow cancer was casting over my soul. The light is stronger now and the end of the tunnel is in sight'. I'm now being referred back to the colorectal surgical team to begin the process of stoma reversal, which I hope can happen soon. Prayer is powerful. God is good. Jesus saves!

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 27th July 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Holy Communion at St Chad's with Junior church

Sunday 3rd August 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Holy Communion at St Bart's

Sunday 10th August 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am All Age Service St Chad's

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

Old Testament Reading: Gen 18:20-32

²⁰ Then the LORD said, 'How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ²¹ I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.'

²² So the men turned from there, and went towards Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. ²³ Then Abraham came near and said, 'Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴ Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵ Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?' ²⁶ And the LORD said, 'If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.' ²⁷ Abraham answered, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸ Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?' And he said, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.' ²⁹ Again he spoke to him, 'Suppose forty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of forty I will not do it.' ³⁰ Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.' He answered, 'I will not do it, if I find thirty there.' ³¹ He said, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.' ³² Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.'

New Testament Reading: Col 2:6-16 (16-19)

⁶ As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸ See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹ For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰ and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹ In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹² when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³ And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴ erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

¹⁶ Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths.

THANK YOU



**Alzheimer's
Society**

Revd Jane is very grateful for all your support in her sponsored swim. She has now completed 3 of her target 4 miles. [If you have sponsored via a form at the back of church, it would be really helpful if you could now bring your money to church \(preferably in an envelope to enable Revd Jane to keep careful track of who has paid\).](#)

If you still wish to donate, it's not too late - the Just Giving page currently stands at £799. With the sponsor forms in addition, I am thinking the final total could be somewhere close to £1000, which was beyond anything I imagined when I decided to do this.

Scan the QR code to donate via the Just Giving Page



GOSPEL READING: Luke 11:1-13

All: Glory to you O Lord

11 He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' ²He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴ And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial.'

⁵And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." ⁷And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

All: Praise to you, O Christ



Thank you

My grateful thanks for sponsorship for Christian Aid, to walk 70k during May.
A total of £570 was raised. Cheryl

Ready, Teddy, Go!

2pm to 4pm

Saturday 23rd August 2025

Celebrate St **Bar**tholomew's Day



bring your teddy
and watch them
parachute off
the church spire!

**Great family
fun afternoon,**

**children's raffle,
tea and cake,
lucky dip.**

Any queries—please contact
Parish Office
office@thurstaston.org.uk

St Bartholomew's Church, Church Lane,
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Grief is hard.

Death can impact
all of life.

The Bereavement
Journey
a place to talk

7 Sessions of films
and discussion
for anyone bereaved anytime

Topics include:

- Attachment, separation and loss
- The pain and responses of grief
- Anger and guilt
- Coping with others' reactions
- Delayed and suppressed grief
- Adjusting to change
- Moving forward healthily
- Faith questions – a Christian perspective (optional)

To find out more visit:
thebereavementjourney.org

Running soon:

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

Monday Evenings
8th Sept - 20th Oct 2025

Time: 7.00pm - 9.30pm
Price £10 (for full course)

Booking via:
office@thurstaston.org.uk

Summer Saturdays are back !

This was a successful venture last year and enjoyed by all ages and is being repeated again this year, **10.30am –12.30pm 2nd, 9th, 16th and 30th August**

Please come along for a natter and a cuppa and enjoy the garden at St Chads, there will be a safe space and activities for children (children accompanied please). If its wet we will use the hall. .



PARISH GIVING SCHEME

SUPPORTING ST BARTHOLOMEW'S AND ST CHAD'S CHURCHES

Donations to the churches are essential for us to maintain the buildings and contents, and continue our mission in Irby and Thurstaston.

One off donations can be made by putting cash on the plate, or by using this QR code with your mobile phone to access The Parish Giving Scheme.



We also welcome new regular givers through the same QR Code. You can make monthly donations which are backed by the direct debit guarantee and can be inflation linked if you so wish.

If you prefer to set up your donations using a paper form or via the website, please ask the minister or the sidespeople, who will be able to give you a pack containing all the information you need including "Frequently Asked Questions".

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 **RNIB** 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

A warm welcome for all at the Warm Hub

**Guest Speaker Event this month
Tuesday 26th August
Building Schools in Nepal**

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.



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Members of Warm Welcome Spaces www.warmwelcome.uk



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

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**