

The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad Thurstaston and Irby 19th October - Trinity 18



Collect

Faithful Lord,
whose steadfast love never ceases
and whose mercies never come to an end:
grant us the grace to trust you
and to receive the gifts of your love,
new every morning,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you,
not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Eternal and loving Christ,

You came not to be served but to serve, and to give your life for those who seek.

We thank you for your servant Sarah as she is called to serve in the role of Archbishop of Canterbury.

Rest upon her with gentle grace, persistent mercy, and eternal wisdom.

Bless and empower your church, this nation, and, we pray, the Anglican Communion. 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 Rt Revd Sarah Mullally - Archbishop of Canterbury designate

Please pray for victims and survivors of abuse and safeguarding teams across the diocese.

Please pray for Bishops Mark; Julie & Sam, Archdeacons Mike & Jane

Please pray for Revd Ailsa Whorton and The Army Foundation College, Harrogate

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), Phil Hales, John Reynolds, Margaret Fordham, Robin Blythe, June Dean, Joyce Dennison, Muriel McKie, Caroline Cranny and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

For baptism families: Elijah and Evelyn (26th October), Jude (23rd Nov), Archer (January)

For the bereaved: Family and friends of Tony Bezant

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 19th Oct 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

10.30am Morning Worship at St Bart's

Sunday 26th Oct 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

Bible Sunday 10.30am 10.30 am Communion at St Chad's with Junior Church

Sunday 2nd Nov 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

10.30am Holy Communion at St Bart's

6.30pm 10.30 Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving at St Chad's

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Old Testament Reading: Genesis 32:22-31

²² The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' ²⁷ So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' ²⁸ Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' ³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

PSALM 121

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; ♦
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord, ♦
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not suffer your foot to stumble; ♦
he who watches over you will not sleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel ♦
shall neither slumber nor sleep.
- 5 The Lord himself watches over you; ♦
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, ♦
neither the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord shall keep you from all evil; ♦
it is he who shall keep your soul.
- 8 The Lord shall keep watch over your going out
and your coming in, ♦
from this time forth for evermore.

Thank you

Many Thanks to all who attended the coffee morning in aid of Children's Society on 11th October. Thanks also to the stall holders, helpers and donations received. A total of **£760** was raised for the Society



New Testament Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

⁴ In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ² proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³ For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵ As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully

GOSPEL READING: Luke 18:1-8

All: Glory to you O Lord

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." ⁶And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

All: Praise to you, O Christ

CHARITY GIFTS & CARDS CATALOGUE

Autumn/Winter 2025



Gifts Supporting the Middle East

Shop ethically with our range of unique gifts, many of which are Fairtrade, fairly-traded or eco-friendly.

All proceeds help support our Christian partners in the Middle East as they work to transform lives and restore dignity for excluded and marginalised communities.

There are a dozen of these catalogues in circulation. We would encourage you to show your support for this charity by ordering some Christmas Cards or small gifts. Please fill in the loose Order form enclosed within the catalogue (and not the one on the back page). Cheryl Goddard will be coordinating and placing the order, so please put your order form and the correct money in an envelope and pass it to her with the catalogue so that it can be put back in circulation. All orders need to be in by Sunday 2nd November. Cheryl will then place the group order and circulate your products as soon as they are received.

If you are able to help with the Christmas Bazaar on stalls, set up/put away, baking cakes, donations of raffle prizes, hand crafted items or second hand children's toys (no books or bric-a-brac please) can you please contact

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Dawpool Open Morning

We are excited to invite prospective parents and carers to our Open Morning on Wednesday 5th and Thursday 13th November for children due to start in Foundation 1 (Nursery) and Foundation 2 (Reception) in September 2026. Open mornings will be at 9.30am and 11am.

Come along and see our fantastic Early Years setting in action! There will be an opportunity to:

- Tour the learning environments
- Meet our friendly staff
- Ask questions about our curriculum and daily routines
- Learn about how we support children as they begin their school journey

Please contact the school office to book your appointment on 0151 648 3412. We look forward to meeting you.

Christmas Bazaar

Sat 15th Nov

1 – 3.30pm

**Trade and charities
Christmas gifts galore
Santa's Grotto**

St Chad's Roslin Road CH61 3UH



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.

RNIB request that, if possible, See differently 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 28th October**

Wirral Foodbank

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**