

**The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad  
Thurstaston and Irby  
24<sup>th</sup> May - Pentecost**



**Collect**

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,  
ignite in us your holy fire;  
strengthen your children with the gift  
of faith, revive your Church with the  
breath of love, and renew the face of  
the earth, through Jesus Christ our  
Lord. **Amen**

**Post-Communion Prayer**

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter  
by sending us your Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation  
the way of life eternal: open our lips by your  
Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK – PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**Our Community:**

- all who serve us in our local community, for local businesses and community groups.
- all children and young people preparing for and taking tests/exams.

**Our Church:**

- victims and survivors of abuse and safeguarding teams across the diocese.
- Archbishops Sarah & Stephen, Bishops Mark; Julie & Sam, Archdeacons Mike & Jane
- Revd Ailsa Whorton and The Army Foundation College, Harrogate
- Revd Malcolm Cowan and others serving in the Chaplaincy department of the hospital

**The world:**

- all countries of the world where people suffer from war, natural disasters and the effects of climate change

**The Sick:**

- Joseph Dacosta , Margaret Fordham, Alan Jones (Brother of Dot Turner), Amanda Fletcher and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

**Baptism families:**

**Wedding couples:** Sam and Jo (29th Aug)

**The bereaved:** Family and friends of Audrey Fogarty (funeral 10.00am Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May at Landican Centre), Doreen Jones (funeral 1.00pm Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Jun at St Bartholomew's)

**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 24<sup>th</sup> May 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's**

**10.30am Holy Communion with Junior Church at St Chad's**

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's**

**10.30am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's**

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's**

**10.30am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's**

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

## First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>"In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.

<sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

<sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

## Second New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

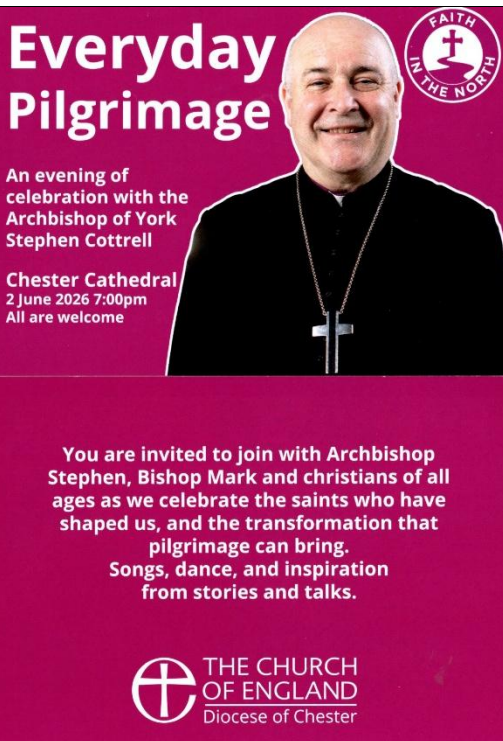
<sup>12</sup>For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup>For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free - and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

## GOSPEL READING: John 20:19-23

**All: Glory to you O Lord**

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

**All: Praise to you, O Christ**




**Everyday Pilgrimage**

An evening of celebration with the Archbishop of York Stephen Cottrell

Chester Cathedral  
2 June 2026 7:00pm  
All are welcome

You are invited to join with Archbishop Stephen, Bishop Mark and Christians of all ages as we celebrate the saints who have shaped us, and the transformation that pilgrimage can bring. Songs, dance, and inspiration from stories and talks.

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Diocese of Chester

## Strawberry Cream Tea



## & Plant Sale



**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

**2-4 pm St Chad's**

**Tickets for the cream tea are £5 per person and include:**

**Cake, scone with cream & fresh strawberries or jam and hot drink (children's snacks and juice available)**

**Tickets from church office**

**or contact Elizabeth tel: 07800797227**

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**office open Tuesday Wednesday & Thursday 9.30am-12.30pm (term time)**

**THREADS THROUGH THE BIBLE**  
**at Chester Cathedral until 28<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Wonderful Exhibition**  
**– something for all the family to discover.**



## Upcoming Social Events

**Saturday 11th July 2-3.30pm - Family outing to New Ferry Butterfly park**

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.



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](http://www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding)



**Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility**

## Are you Experiencing Domestic Abuse?

Freephone  
24 hr Helpline  
0808 2000 247

**Irby Pharmacy is a safe space**

Please continue to collect and bring your used stamps to Church. RNIB request that, if possible, you leave 1cm of envelope around the stamp. Thank you for your continued support. Jean Heath



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



## 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".

## 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**

**There are a range of activities including quizzes, Games, jigsaws, Crosswords etc**

**Guest Speaker**

**26th May 2026**

**Jenny Schwarz: The Challenge - Ending Polio Worldwide**



Member of Places of Welcome  
Member of Warm welcome Spaces

