

The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad
Thurstaston and Irby
18th October – St Luke



Collect

God, our light and our salvation:
illuminate our lives,
that we may see your goodness in the
land of the living, and looking on your
beauty may be changed into the
likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer

God our Father, whose Son, the light unfailing,
has come from heaven to deliver the world
from the darkness of ignorance: let these holy mysteries
open the eyes of our understanding that we may know
the way of life, and walk in it without stumbling;
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
- Schools and other places of education, and those who work and study there.

Our Church:

- those exploring faith through the Christianity Explored course
- 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, Barbara Whitehead, Pete Higgins, Meira Jones-Evans and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.

Wedding couples: Joe and Chloe, Keiran and Emily, Jamie and Issy, Ben and Elizabeth

The bereaved: Family and friends of Pauline Saunders (Funeral at Barts Mon 9th Nov 12noon)

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 18th Oct

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew's
4.00pm Pop Up Church at St Chad's

Sunday 25th Oct

Prisons Week

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.30am Holy Communion with Junior church at St Chads

Sunday 1st Nov

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

Parish Safeguarding Contact Details: safeguarding@thurstaston.org.uk or telephone 648 6691

Old Testament Reading: Is 35:3-6

3 Strengthen the feeble hands,
steady the knees that give way;
4 say to those with fearful hearts,
“Be strong, do not fear;
your God will come,
he will come with vengeance;
with divine retribution

he will come to save you.”

5 Then will the eyes of the blind be opened
and the ears of the deaf unstopped.
6 Then will the lame leap like a deer,
and the mute tongue shout for joy.
Water will gush forth in the wilderness
and streams in the desert.

New Testament Reading: 2 Tim 4:5-7

⁵ But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

⁶ For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

PSALM 147:1-7

1 Alleluia.

How good it is to make music for our God, ♦
how joyful to honour him with praise.

2 The Lord builds up Jerusalem ♦
and gathers together the outcasts of Israel.

3 He heals the brokenhearted ♦
and binds up all their wounds.

4 He counts the number of the stars ♦
and calls them all by their names.

5 Great is our Lord and mighty in power; ♦
his wisdom is beyond all telling.

6 The Lord lifts up the poor, ♦
but casts down the wicked to the ground.

7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; ♦
make music to our God upon the lyre;

GOSPEL READING: Luke 10:1-9

All: Glory to you O Lord

10 After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. ² He told them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. ³ Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. ⁴ Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road. ⁵ “When you enter a house, first say, ‘Peace to this house.’ ⁶ If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house.

⁸ “When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. ⁹ Heal the sick who are there and tell them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’

All: Praise to you, O Christ

RNLI CHRISTMAS CATALOGUES are available in church for you to order Christmas Cards, Calendars, Small gifts etc. Speak to Cheryl for more information.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOX COLLECTION: Can you please return any children's society boxes to Jean Heath for counting. They can be returned to St Chad's or St Bartholomew's, or to Jean, 'Barnstables', 233 Irby Road, CH61 2XF. If anyone would like them collecting, then please phone Jean on 648 6015 to arrange a convenient time

PRISON'S WEEK 11th-17th October. Prayer diary available from <https://www.prisonsworld.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/PrisonsWeek-YoureInvited-ForPrint.pdf> Thank you for the many donations that have been received for Styal Prison.

COFFEE MORNING FOR THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: Saturday 17th October 2026 10am - 12.00pm at 'Barnstables', 233 Irby Road. All Welcome. Cake Stall, Bring & Buy, Craft Stall, Raffle, Shoe-B-do etc

POTTERY PAINTING AT THE POTTERY SHED (Hoylake): Saturday 17th October 1-5pm. More details in Crosstalk (Page 13). Contact Jayne Oliver to book your place.

IRBY METHODIST CHURCH celebrating 90 years in the current building – See poster in church for all events including Sat 17th Oct 2pm "Sing Me Merseyside Choir" , Tickets £5 including refreshments (or pay on the door), Doors open 1.30pm

POP UP CHURCH: 18th Oct 4pm at St Chad's. An hour of fun for the whole family including ISingPop songs, crafts and games. Followed by a Picnic in the Hall (bring your own). This month will be focussed on Harvest so if you would like to bring a gift for Foodbank, you are welcome to do so.

PUMPKIN PARTY: Sat 31st Oct 6.00-7.30pm at St Chad's. Email office@thurstaston.org.uk to book your place. Family fun. Pumpkin crafts, Treats and a campfire.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND THANKSGIVING – Sun 1st Nov 4pm. More details in Crosstalk (Page 7) – Please pass on the details to anyone you know who has been bereaved.

DAWPOOL Open Morning – Wednesday 4th November at 11am and Tuesday 10th November at 9.15am or 11am for children due to start in Foundation 1 (Nursery) and Foundation 2 (Reception) in September 2027. Please contact Mandy Parr at the school office 0151 648 3412 to book your appointment

OXTON MEN'S CHARITY DINNER 13th November. Guest Speaker – Bishop of Chester, Rt Revd Mark Tanner. More details in Crosstalk (page 8) or from their website: www.oxtonmensdinner.com

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR (14th Nov 1.00-3.30pm) If you are able to help on stalls, set up/put away, baking cakes, donations of raffle prizes, second hand children's toys and hand-crafted items (no books or bric-a-brac please) can you please contact Julie DeBoorder email: jules2121jule@gmail.com Mobile: 07599186893

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



**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 is 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



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**

27th October 2026

Jim Holmes

'English breakfast and the Story of Ceylon tea'.

All free of charge



Member of Places of Welcome



Member of Warm welcome Spaces

