# The Churches of St Bartholomew and St Chad Thurstaston and Irby 6th June 2021 - Trinity 1



### Collect

God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son. Amen

# **Post-Communion Prayer**

Eternal Father,
we thank you for nourishing us
with these heavenly gifts:
may our communion strengthen us in
faith,
build us up in hope,
and make us grow in love;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

### FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

## For our Community:

Please continue to pray for ALL key-workers Please pray for all victims of abuse

#### For our Church:

Please pray for Bishop Mark as he continues to build a new diocesan team, and for Bishops Designate Julie and Sam.

#### For the world:

Please pray for DR Congo (one of our link diocese) as people flee from the city of Goma following volcano eruption.

Pray for Jerusalem and other war torn parts of our world

Pray for countries world-wide struggling with the effects of Covid pandemic

For the Bereaved: Please pray for family and friends of Alan Stockton

**For the Sick:** Please pray for Kate McMahon, Muriel McKie, Valerie and Norman Prescott (Dot Turner's friends), Pat Hulme, Molly (aged 2), Audrey Fernyhough, and all those who are sick at home or in hospital.



A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers

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# **OLD TESTAMENT READING: 1 Samuel 8:4-11,16-20**

<sup>4</sup> Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, <sup>5</sup> and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." <sup>6</sup> But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the LORD, <sup>7</sup> and the LORD said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. <sup>8</sup> Just as they have done to me, <sup>[a]</sup> from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. <sup>9</sup> Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

<sup>10</sup> So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. <sup>11</sup> He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots;

<sup>16</sup> He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle<sup>[b]</sup> and donkeys, and put them to his work. <sup>17</sup> He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. <sup>18</sup> And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day."

<sup>19</sup> But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, <sup>20</sup> so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles."

## **NEW TESTAMENT READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1**

<sup>13</sup> But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup> because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup> Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup> So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup> For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup> because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

**5** For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 3:20- end

## All: Glory to you, O Lord

<sup>20</sup> and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. <sup>21</sup> When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." <sup>22</sup> And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." <sup>23</sup> And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup> If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup> And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup> And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup> But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

<sup>28</sup> "Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup> but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— <sup>30</sup> for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." <sup>33</sup>And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

All: Praise to you, O Christ

## **JUNE 2021 SERVICES**

## **ZOOM Services:-**

Joining details available by emailing the Rector

June 6th 6.00pm All Age Service June 13th 6.30pm Evening Prayer June 20th 6.30pm Evening Prayer June 27th 6.30pm Evening Prayer

#### **SERVICES IN CHURCH:-**

YOU WILL NEED TO BOOK FOR THESE SERVICES - details on the website and in the parish magazine.

June 6th 8.00am BCP HC at St Bart's
9.30am MW at St Chad's
June 13th 9.30 am HC at St Chad's
11.15 am MW at St Barts's
June 20th 8.00am BCP HC at St Bart's
9.30am MW at St Chad's
June 27th 9.30 am HC at St Chad's
11.15 am HC at St Barts's

Wednesday 10.15am Holy Communion at St Chad's

# Have you or your loved ones had your coronavirus vaccine?

Give thanks with a donation to Christian Aid to help protect the most vulnerable people across the world, while the vaccine is out of reach. Find out more:- https://www.christianaid.org.uk/give/ways-donate/give-thanks-your-coronavirus-vaccine





## **Meetings on Zoom**

(joining details from Revd Jane) Wednesday Evenings 7.30-8.30pm

June 9th - Contemplation
June 16th - Listening
June 23rd - Spiritual Warfare

## **Are you Experiencing Domestic Abuse?**

Freephone 24 hour Helpline 0808 2000 247

## Irby Pharmacy is a safe space

#### How to access a Safe Space

- Walk into any participating pharmacy in the UK.
- Ask at the healthcare counter to use their Safe Space.
- A pharmacist will show you to the Safe Space. Which will be the consultancy room.
- Once inside, you will find displayed specialist domestic abuse support information for you to access, to make that call or access Bright Sky safely.

Safe Spaces are open and ready for you to use.