## Please Pray for Peace in our troubled world

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease. and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven.

Through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen

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.

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**Supporting St Bartholomew's –** There is a donations plate by the door at every service, and if you can Gift Aid your donation, please use & complete a yellow Gift Aid envelope with your details.

There's also a "Contactless Collection Plate" if you prefer, also by the south door.

Or here's a QR code, which will take you straight to our donations page –



If you would like to find out how to support St Bartholomew's on a regular basis, then please go to our website for more information, or phone the Parish Office on 01793 853272. And thank you!

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### Keep in touch, or let us know if any help is needed at:

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Please visit our website: <a href="www.stbartholomews-wb.com">www.stbartholomews-wb.com</a> for more information and links to Facebook & YouTube



We seek to grow through prayer and share Christ's love through engagement with all.

# Weekly News 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025



Sunday 8:00 am Holy Communion 10:00 am Parish Eucharist

Church Children on a Summer Break
Wednesday

10:30 am Holy Communion

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Thursday 4th September 7.30pm at the Croft: Leo Tolstoy's My Confession (1882): Christian history is full of great thinkers and writers wrestling with the human condition and their understanding of God. Leo Tolstoy might be the greatest novelist in the world but, at the age of 50, when he suffers his existential crisis, nothing means anything to him until he finds his own kind of Christian Faith. Everyone welcome – no booking required!

**Little Stars**, our baby/toddler, parent/carer group restarts on **Monday 8**<sup>th</sup> **September**, in the Church Hall from 9:30 – 11:30 every week in term time.

Ride and Stride is on the Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September. Sponsorships forms are available from me or online or I can email. Bus trip and walking this year, so hope for a good turnout. Michael Page R&S Czar.

**Coffee Morning Saturday 13th September** in the Croft 10:00 – 12 noon. Supporting and raising funds for the **Marie Curie charity**.

**Church Children** restarts on **Sunday 14**th **September**. Meeting each Sunday either in the Croft or in Church alongside the 10:00 am main service.

Treorchy Male Voice Choir Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September in church Experience an unforgettable evening of powerful choral performance. Tickets £20 pp, please see our website for more details, including a link to book tickets.

**Bakers Dozen and Grace Vocal** have kindly organised a concert to raise funds for The Croft, for which we are hugely grateful, on **Wednesday** 8<sup>th</sup> October 2025 in Church from 7:00pm. Tickets for the event are now on sale both online and available in the Croft.

# Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025 St Bartholomew the Apostle

#### COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your word: grant that your Church may love that word which he believed and may faithfully preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:8-13

Bring forth the people who are blind, yet have eyes, who are deaf, yet have ears!

Let all the nations gather together, and let the peoples assemble.

Who among them declared this, and foretold to us the former things?

Let them bring their witnesses to justify them,

and let them hear and say, 'It is true.'

You are my witnesses, says the LORD,

and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he.

Before me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after me.

I, I am the LORD, and besides me there is no saviour.

I declared and saved and proclaimed, when there was no strange god among you; and you are my witnesses, says the LORD. I am God, and also henceforth I am He; there is no one who can deliver from my hand; I work and who can hinder it?

#### **SECOND READING:** Acts 5:12-16

Many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared to join them, but the people held them in high esteem. Yet more than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on cots and mats, in order that Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he came by. A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

#### **GOSPEL READING:** Luke 22:24-30

A dispute also arose among the twelve as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But Jesus said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.'

