



& St. Peter's, Codsall Wood

Sunday 10th December

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Welcome to our services today

- 8.00 am Holy Communion
- 9.00 am Holy Communion at St. Peter's Codsall Wood
- 9.30 am Parish Communion
- Hymns : 314, 494, 295, HC 949, HC 206, 565
- 11.15 am All Age Service
- 1.00 pm Holy Baptism
- 4.00 pm Confirmation Service**
- 6.30 pm Evensong

Next Sunday 17th December

ADVENT 3

- 8.00 am Holy Communion
- 9.30 am Parish Communion
- 11.15 am All Age Service
- 6.00 pm St. Peter's Carols round the Crib**
- 6.30 pm Carol Service at St. Nicholas**

If you are a newcomer or visitor we welcome you to our church

Please join us for tea & coffee after the 9.30 & 11.15 services

This week

Monday 11th

- 1.15 pm St Nicholas Toddlers Group - P.R.
- 7.00 pm Prayer Time
- 7.30 pm - 8.15 pm Enquiry Evening
- 7.30 pm Ministry Team meet at Keith's

Tuesday 12th

- 9.30 am St. Nicholas School Christmas Service for KS1
- 11 am St. Nicholas School Christmas Service for KS2
- 11.00 am Service at Hunter's Lodge
- 2.30 pm Service at The Willows
- 7.00 pm Music practice in church

Wednesday 13th

- 2.45 pm Burial of Martin Forrester
- 7.45 pm Bellringing practice

Thursday 14th

- 9.45 am Funeral of Hilda Farrell at Bushbury
- 10.15 am Holy Communion
- 12 noon Funeral of Geoffrey Warrender in church
- 7.15 pm Choir practice

Friday 15th

- 10.00 am Funeral of Edward Dyson at Danescourt Cemetery
- 2.30pm-4.30pm C.I.T.V. Afternoon Tea in Forget-me-Not Rooms

Saturday 16th

- 12 noon Wedding - James Hemstock & Katie Sarjant
- 2.30pm-4.30pm Craft Group - P.R.

Daily Prayer is at 9.00 am Monday - Friday in church for 20 minutes - all welcome.

The community bus Every week we offer lifts to our 9.30 service on the community bus. The driver on **17th December** will be **Ian Morris - 07733 430110**. If you don't usually go on the bus but would like a lift please call the driver on duty.

Confirmation Service

These are the names of the candidates being confirmed today at 4pm by Bishop Clive. (Yasmin is also being baptised). Please pray for them that they may experience Christ in a new, fresh way. Do come and support if you can.

Those being confirmed:

St. Nicholas' Church,

Emily De-loyde, Katie Cross,

Rhianna Johnson, Yasmin Hazir

Kirsty O'Connor, Marion Skowron

St. Mary's Church, Wheaton
Aston

Karen Williams Rebecca Capewell

St. Chad & St. Mark's
Church, Wolverhampton

Pooria Booloorchi

Amin Abbaspour

Nazanin Salehi

**Mohammad Elahe
Mohammad Khadir
Salam Mohammadi
Ali Aghande**

**Farhang Adinephor
Lillian Ezenwa**

A big thank you to Caroline Seaton and Jill Gollins for their work preparing St. Nicholas candidates for confirmation. We shall be having refreshments afterwards and would welcome offers of cake!

Gideons

The Gideons organisation are inviting volunteers to help give out New Testaments and a Christian message to those attending the Birmingham German Market on the 12th, 13th and 14th December 4pm to 7pm. If you would like to volunteer please contact Garth Jones on 846844.

The Willows On Tuesday Jan and Evelyn will be handing out Christmas presents boxes to the residents of The Willows, Wolverhampton Road. If you would like to help on this day please arrive at the Willows at 2:30pm. Ask Jan, Evelyn or Liz for details.

Church in the Village

is next Friday at 2.30 pm in the Forget-me-Not Rooms with entertainment, something to think about and a wonderful tea, all for £3.50.

Carol Services

Next Sunday you have a choice of Carol Services! At St. Peter's Codsall Wood there will be a Carols by Candlelight at 6.00 pm, and here at St. Nicholas our Carol Service will start at 6.30 pm. Whichever you choose you will be made very welcome.

The Children's Society Christingle

Maggie Watford from the Children's Society came to speak at the Christingle last Sunday and told us we'd raise £5691 over the past ten years. An amazing amount! Well done for all your efforts putting this service together and raising the funds.

Alone at Christmas?

A meal is being put on at the South Staffordshire Council Restaurant again this year, on Friday 22nd December, for those alone on Christmas Day. Full details are in the December magazine and on the council website.

Can you Help?

We have a small group of people who drive the Community Bus every Sunday. Unfortunately we are getting very low on drivers, and from the beginning of 2018 will be finding it increasingly difficult to provide this very important facility every week. As well as drivers we also need assistants; for more information please talk to Ian Morris after the 9.30 service or phone him - **07733 430110**, he will be very pleased to hear from you!

Date for your 2018 diaries!

We are holding an Epiphany Party on Sunday 14th January at 4.00 pm. Lots of fun, fellowship and food.

Advance notice 16th January

For anyone who wishes to work alongside refugees and asylum seekers, Kate Penman, from Hope into Action, will be coming to discuss how people from St. Nicholas might get more involved on Tuesday 16th January at 7.30pm in the Parish Rooms. Please let Mike Fox, George Reiss or Keith Elbourne know that you are interested and can come.

For our prayers : Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, Amen.

Those in particular need : Mark Smith, Don Trubshaw, Helen Marsh, Avril Neal, Edna Reynolds, Paul Blakemore & Sylvia Sharpe.

The departed : Gerald Turner, Dot Marsh, Geoffrey Britton, Hilda Farrell, Geoffrey Warrender, Edward Dyson & Vera Mickelwright.

About St. Nicholas' Church, Codsall & St. Peter's Church, Codsall Wood

Parish Office: rear of Parish Rooms, Church Road

Parish Secretary - Angela Jevons Tel. 847786

(Office hours Tuesday & Thursday - 10.00 am - 1.00 pm)

Email: stnicholaschurch@hotmail.co.uk

If you know someone who would appreciate the support of the church or would like to receive communion at home, or if you would like someone to be included in our prayers (and have asked them), please let Angela know.

Church website: www.stnicholascodsall.org.uk

E-newsletter : To receive this please email: stnicscodsall@gmail.com

Arranging baptisms and weddings

Every Monday (except Bank Hols) from 7.30pm - 8.15pm there is an Enquiry Evening at St. Nicholas Church for arranging weddings & christenings.

Clergy contact

We are served by a Ministry Team of clergy and lay people.

Our Curate is Revd Liz England,

Email: reverendlizengland@gmail.com Tel: 843663

Churchwardens : Janice Symonds - 842570 & Sue Richardson - 845556

Giving to the church We are very grateful to all who support our church in different ways. The easiest way to give regularly is by Standing Order. Please ask Jill Dodd for a form (or let her know if you use internet banking) and for a Gift Aid form if you pay tax. You can also fill in a green envelope to give in church using Gift Aid if you pay tax.