



**Sunday 15th December
ADVENT 3**

This week

DATES FOR THE WEEK

Welcome to our services today

- 8.00 am Holy Communion
- 9.30 am Parish Communion
- Hymns : 295, 185, 687,
HC 646 HC 574, 580*
- 11.15 am All Age Service

Monday 16th

- 1.15 pm St. Nicholas Toddler Group - Parish Room
- 7.30pm-8.15pm Enquiry Evening
- 8.00 pm Advent reflection group meet at The Pendrell Arms

**Next Sunday 22nd December
ADVENT 4**

Tuesday 17th

- 9.45 am Tots@St.Nic's in church
- 8.00 pm Carols at Crown Joules

No 8.00 am Holy Communion

- 9.30 am Parish Communion
- 11.15 am All Age Service

Wednesday 18th

- 7.30 pm Bellringing practice

- 6.00 pm Carol Service at St. Peter's, Codsall Wood**
- 6.30 pm Carol Service at St. Nicholas Church**

Thursday 19th

- 10.15 am Holy Communion
- 10.30 am Carols at Costa Coffee
- 2.30 pm Funeral for Irene Hughes in church & internment in churchyard
- 7.00 pm Choir practice

Please join us for tea & coffee after the 9.30 service.

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

Daily Prayer is at 9am **Monday-Thursday** 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

22nd December will be

Matthew Jevons - 07968

006328. If you don't usually go on the bus but would like a lift please call the driver on duty.

Confirmation

If you have been considering Confirmation please can I ask you to make contact with Revd. Marg so that we might plan our preparation group.

Thank you

to John & Joy for hosting the Carol Service on their farm last Sunday, it was a

truly magical experience.

Tots@St.Nic's

Is our activity for pre-school children with songs, a story and things to do on Tuesday from 9.45am in church. All pre-schoolers from 0+ and carers welcome.

Crib Services

If people would like to read at either the 3pm or 5pm service on Christmas Eve please let Caroline know.

Thank you

to everyone who kindly produced knitted sheep for our Crib Services, the flock has greatly increased

Faith Talks

We will be taking a short break from our usual gathering at the Crown

Joules during December. However we have been invited to have an Advent reflection group in the Pendrell Arms on Monday 16th at 8pm, all are welcome.

Beer and Carols 19th December

In the Crown Joules on Tuesday, 8pm start. Come and join us, All Welcome!

Coffee and Carols 19th & 24th December 10.30am

As part of the local churches working together, we have received an invitation to offer Coffee and Carols at Costa Coffee at Birches Bridge this year. If you are able please come and support this new opportunity.

Christmas Service Flyers/ Posters

At the back of the church flyers and posters are available giving information about all of the services during December, if there is somewhere you can display a poster please take one, thanks.

Christingle Service

If you receive any enquiries about the Christingle Service do say that it will be at Candlesmas next year on 2nd February.

Parish Christmas cards

The usual Christmas Cards for distribution around the parish are now available at the back of church. They are arranged in streets so if you are able to take a pack and deliver them, that would be most helpful.

Prayers : As we light our 3rd advent candle this Sunday : We come to light a light of promise, to remember we are not alone, not abandoned, not lost, but held in the promise of God's love. In a world that sometime forgets God-with-us, we cling to your promise, Amen.

Those in particular need : Alice Gibbons, Emily Burns, Ernie Ward, Thelma Smith, Jeremy Walters, Diane Green & Olga Thompson

The departed : Audrey Anderson & Irene Hughes.

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 - **Tuesday & Thursday** - 10.00am - 1.00 pm)

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 Vicar is Revd. Margaret Mattocks

The Vicarage, 48 Church Road, Codsall, Staffs. WV8 1EH, Tel : 842168

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.