



& St. Peter's, Codsall Wood



Sunday 17th December
ADVENT 3

This week

Welcome to our services today

8.00 am Holy Communion
9.30 am Parish Communion
Hymns : 631, 182, 60, HC 527,
HC 264, 695

11.15 am All Age Service

1.00 pm Holy Baptism

**6.00 pm St. Peter's Carols
round the Crib**

**6.30 pm Carol Service at St.
Nicholas**

**Next Sunday 24th December
ADVENT 4**

(No 8.00am or 6.30pm Services)

9.30 am Parish Communion

11.15 am 'Box of Surprise'
special service

11.30 pm Midnight Mass

**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*

Monday 18th

1.15 pm St Nicholas Toddlers Group - P.R.

7.00 pm Prayer Time

7.30 pm - 8.15 pm Enquiry Evening

Tuesday 19th

9.45 am Tots@St.Nic's in church

7.30 pm Ministry Team meet at Keith's

Wednesday 20th

7.45 pm Bellringing practice

Thursday 21st

10.15 am Holy Communion

11.30 am Service at Springfield Care
Home

7.15 pm Choir practice

Friday 22nd

11.30 am Service at The Shrubbery

12 noon Wedding - Nicholas Keen &
Hannah Proffitt

2.30 pm Funeral for Valerie Brawn -
Church & churchyard

Saturday 23rd

3.00 pm Crib Service with DIY Nativity

5.00 pm Crib Service with DIY Nativity

*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 **24th 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.

Carol Services

This 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.

Tots@St.Nics

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 very welcome.

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!

Bowling at Bentley Bridge for **Youth@StNic's and Pizza+**, (and those nearly of age for youth)

7th Jan at Bentley Bridge 5-7pm. Bowling and burger. Please let Caroline know if you are intending to come.

Readers for Crib Services

If anyone would like to read at either the 3pm or 5pm Service on Saturday 23rd please let Caroline know, asap.

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.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH

Sunday 17th

6.30 pm Carol Service

Saturday 23rd

3.00 pm Crib Service for all

5.00 pm Crib Service for all

Christmas Eve

11.30 pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

8.00 am Holy Communion

**10.30 am Christmas Family
Communion**

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST. PETER'S, CODSALL WOOD

Sunday 17th

6.00 pm Carols by Candlelight

Christmas Day

9.00 am Christmas

Communion for all ages



For our 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 sometimes forgets God-with-us, we cling to your promise. Amen.

Those in particular need : Mark Smith, Don Trubshaw, Helen Marsh, Avril Neal, Edna Reynolds, Paul Blakemore, Sylvia Sharpe & Olga Thompson.
The departed : Hilda Farrell, Geoffrey Warrender, Edward Dyson & Valerie Brawn.

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.