

Sunday 2nd February CANDLEMAS

Welcome to our services today

8.00 am Holy Communion 9.30 am Parish Communion Hymns: 409, 755, 438,HC 574 HC 582, 419

11.15 am **Christingle Service**5pm-6pm Sparks Youth Group
meet in Parish Rooms

Next Sunday 9th February 3rd Sunday Before Lent

No 8.00 am Holy Communion 9.00 am Holy Communion at St. Peter's, Codsall Wood 9.30 am Parish Communion 11.15 am All Age Service 1.00 pm Holy Baptism

Please join us for tea & coffee after the 9.30 service

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

This week

DATES FOR THE WEEK

Monday 3rd

9.30 am Church Support Team meet at 'Moleshill'

1.15 pm St. Nicholas Toddler Group - Parish Rooms

7.30pm-8.15pm Enquiry Evening 8.00 pm Faith Issues Group meet at Crown Joules

Tuesday 4th

9.45 am Tots@St.Nic's in church6pm-7pm Music practice in church8.00 pm Ladies Circle - Parish RoomsWednesday 5th

10am-12 noon 'Coffee, Cake & Chat' in church - All Welcome 3.00 pm Funeral service for Flora Hamer

Church & Bushbury Crematorium
3.45 pm Pastoral Care Group meet in
Parish Rooms

7.30 pm Bellringing practice

7.30 pm Railway Circle - Parish Rooms

Thursday 6th

10.15 am Holy Communion

7.00 pm Choir practice

Saturday 8th

2.30 pm - 4.30pm Craft Group meet in Parish Rooms

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 9th February will be lan Morris - 845444. If you don't usually go on the bus but would like a lift please call the driver on duty.

Children's Society Boxes

If you haven't brought yours back today can you bring them next Sunday please

Christingles

Thanks to all who came and helped prepare the Christingles for today's service.

LENT HOUSEGROUPS

This year we will be using the Diocese Lent Course 'Saying Yes To Life' by Ruth Valerio.

The book explains. As people made in the image of God, we are entrusted to look after what he has created: To share in God's joy and ingenuity in making a difference for good.

Sign up sheets are to be found at the back of the church for those

who wish to sign up. Books will be available at the moment at £6.00 but extra orders will be around £7.00.

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 preschoolers from 0+ and carers welcome.

Ladies Circle

We meet on Tuesday, 8pm in the Parish Rooms. New members and visitors always very welcome.

Coffee, Cake & Chat

Is on Wednesday, 10am-12 noon in church for tea/coffee/cake/ scones etc. If you haven't been before why not come and join us, you will be made very welcome. The Whistlefish greetings cards will be on sale.

StNics@StNics

Would you be interested in helping out at a monthly, one hour session, at St Nicholas First School? We are looking for new volunteers who can join the happy band of existing volunteers. We plan the sessions

together (usually at the start of the term)- a bible story or parable then have associated activities to help the children understand God's message. If you don't have a current DBS you will have to do the 'Safer recruitment process', which I will help you with. Ask Serena or any of the team for more info. **Caroline**

Churchyard Tidy Day

The next tidy day will take place on **Monday 10th Feb** meeting at church outside 9.30am Please bring gardening gloves etc, we would very much welcome your help.

As Ron Rowley's funeral will be on the same morning could all those coming to help please do not park in the car park or at the front of the church. Marg has said that the Vicarage drive can be used.

Real Easter Eggs

The order form for these Fairtrade eggs are at the back of church until Sunday 9th Feb. The contents of each choice of Original, Dark, Special Edition or Fun Pack are explained on the form but all include the Easter story. Any queries see Serena.

Shared Lunch

There will be a Shared lunch on Sunday 23rd February at 12.30pm in church.

A huge thank you to everyone for the lovely cards, letters and beautiful flowers we have received following Keith's sudden, tragic death. The outpouring of love and prayers has touched us all deeply and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

The Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving at Trinity Methodist Church last Tuesday was truly wonderful and a fitting tribute to Keith. The family send their grateful thanks for all your support. God bless you.

Ruth Madelin

At the time of doing the news-sheet we had no definite information for David's funeral. We are still taking donations towards the funeral costs & these can be left in church or posted through the vicarage door in an envelope marked 'David Ward'. Once we have the date we will let you all know.

For our Prayers: We pray for all those parents & children attending the Christingle Service this morning.

Those in particular need: Emily Burns, Ernie Ward, Jeremy Walters, Diane Green, Bernard Webster, Roger Stevens & Avis Jobber.

The departed: Keith Madelin, David Ward, Margaret Thomas, Flora Hamer Ron Rowley & Paul Campbell.

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

Churchwardens: Sue Richardson - 845556 & Craig Pickering - 654391 Photographs during a service may be taken for use by the church. If you do not want your picture to be used, please speak to the person leading the service and we will delete any photo with your picture on it.

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.