

New Years Eve Party:

all are welcome to this informal evening from 7.30pm in the Hall. Talk to Mavis Steele or Roger Morgan to find out how this will work out.

For Your Prayers

Sick & Housebound: Margaret Aldridge, Canon Matthew Baines, Alan Bamford, Margaret & Cliff Brazier, Bryan Brookes, Lyn Brooks, Vicky Bullows, Martin Chandler, Mac & Len Colbourne, Megan Colledge, John Connochie, Lauren & John Colledge, Beryl Cook, Lyn Cooney, Emily Cousland-Penn, Ivan Crowe, Val Dallaway, Madeline Darby, Joyce Davies, Alisha and Kelly Dixon, Leon Gilson, Lesley Griffiths, Sid Griffiths, Wilf Griffiths, Andy Guest, Joan Halford, Christine Hartshorne, Jenny Hughes, Pat Hulse, Beryl Hunt, Dorothy Humphriss, Eunice Jackson, Karen Jones, Steven Knott, June & John Latham, Joyce & Hal Loach, Brandon Long, Pete Marsh, Helen, Lindy & Mark Massey, Angela Macaulay, Betty Miller, Audrey Norris, Rosemary Oakley, Nathan Parker, Kath Payne, Edna Price, Stan Reeves, Baby Isaac Rickett, Margaret Roberts, Hazel Saxon, Bill Shepherd, Gerald Smith, Jacob Smith, Joanne Smith, Pauline Smith, Dorothy Spalding, Marjorie & Ray Stevens, Joan Stringer, Pat & Christine Taylor, Paul Thomas, Les Waldron, Billy & Doreen Ward, Beryl Ward, Carol Ward, Diane Williams, Val & Les Wilson, Brenda Wood.

Recently Departed: Roger Brindley, Mark Young (*wife, Joanne; children, Rio & Diesel, Austyn, Devon, Amber*).

Years Mind: 24th - Sharon Connochie; 25th - Joseph Dallaway, Maud Dudley, Ted Silvester; 26th - Alice Billingham, Kate Carter, Billie Green, Clive Tanner; 27th - Kenneth Bradley, Richard Causer, Ted Davies, Dora Hawkes; 28th - Martha Hartshorne, Cynthia Hobbs; 30th - Arthur Ponting.

Birthdays: 27th - Cath Tope; 30th - Gerald Smith.

Residents in Care Homes: Doris Barnes (The Firs); Lynda Blakemore (Castlewellan); Mavis Douglass (Park Lane); Pat Eades, (Woodlands); Josie Fiske, Beacon (Centre); Pat Hill (Island Court); Barbara Jones (Oak Court); Pearl Wardhough (Camelot Rest Home); Floss Webb (Lime Tree Court).

OHMS: Lee Bullows, Amy Chambers, Ebony Churchill, Ian Day, Greg Dunson, Scott Sabin, Neil Skett, Fr Michael Wagstaff, Craig Ward, Nathan Yates.

Names in italic print are provided by the Kingswinford Deanery Mother's Union for inclusion in our intercessions. Underlined highlight new or changed circumstances for the reasons of confidentiality no other details are offered.

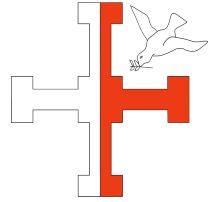
May I wish you all a very Happy Christmass and thank you for the many cards we have received over the past few weeks

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St Chad's, Coseley Sunday Bulletin

ADVENT 4

Sunday 24th December 2017



To Know Christ & make Christ Known through
Worship, Outreach, Caring & Education

Sunday 24th

4th Sunday of Advent

Readings: 2 Samuel 7: 1-5,8-12,14,16; Psalm 89 :2-5,27,29; Romans 16: 25-27; St Luke 1: 26-38.

9.30am

Family Mass

5.00pm

Christingle Service in the Church

11.00pm

Midnight Mass with Carols

Readings: Isaiah 9: 1-7; Psalm 96 : 1-3,11-13; Titus 2:11-14; St Luke 2: 1-14.

Monday 25th

Christmas Day

8.30am

Mass of the Dawn

Readings: Isaiah 62: 11-12; Psalm 99 :1,6,11-12; Titus 3: 4-7; St Luke 2: 15-20

10.15am

Family Mass with Carols

Readings: Isaiah 52: 7-10; Psalm 98 :1-6; Hebrews 1: 1-6; St John 1:1-18.

Tuesday 26th

Saint Stephen, the first Martyr

9.30am

Low Mass

Wednesday 27th

Saint John, Apostle, Evangelist

9.30am

Low Mass

Thursday 28th

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

9.00am

Low Mass

9.30am

The Art Group in the Hall

Friday 29th

Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr

Saturday 30th

6th day within the octave of Christmas

9.30pm

Low Mass

4.00pm

Dedication of the Christmass Tree of Thought

Sunday 31st

The Holy Family

Readings: Genesis 15: 1-6, 21: 1-3; Psalm 105: 1-6, 8-9; Colossians 3: 12-21; St Luke 2: 22-40.

8.30am

Low Mass

10.15am

Family Mass

Key for St Chad's is Available at 3 Oak Street

Church Hall Hire:

For Hiring the Church Hall - ring Claire Love on Monday or Wednesdays evenings only from 7.00pm - 9.00pm on 07749 888864. I will pass on any Email you send to me on alan.howes.49@gmail.com

Worship Today

Opening Prayer:

Here in our midst, O God of mystery, you disclose the secret hidden for countless ages. For you we wait, for you we listen. Upon hearing your voice, may we like Mary embrace your will and become a dwelling fit for your Word.

We ask this through him whose coming is certain, whose day draws near: your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God for ever and ever **Amen**

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7: 1-5,8-12,14,16

Chris Parker

Theme: The kingdom of David will always stand secure before the Lord.

Once David had settled into his house and the Lord had given him rest from all the enemies surrounding him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, Look, I am living in a house of cedar while the ark of God dwells in a tent. Nathan said to the king, Go and do all that is in your mind, for the Lord is with you.

But that very night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David, Thus the Lord speaks: Are you the man to build me a house to dwell in? I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, to be leader of my people Israel; I have been with you on all your expeditions; I have cut off all your enemies before you. I will give you fame as great as the fame of the greatest on earth. I will provide a place for my people Israel; I will plant them there and they shall dwell in that place and never be disturbed again; nor shall the wicked continue to oppress them as they

did, in the days when I appointed judges over my people Israel; I will give them rest from all their enemies. The Lord will make you great; the Lord will make you a House. And when your days are ended and you are laid to rest with your ancestors, I will preserve the offspring of your body after you and make his sovereignty secure. I will be a father to him and he a son to me. Your House and your sovereignty will always stand secure before me and your throne be established for ever.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm 89: 2-5,27,29.

Margaret Harris

R: I will sing forever of your love, O Lord

I will sing forever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim you truth
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts forever,
that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. **R:**

'I have made a covenant with my chosen one;
I have sworn to David my servant:
I will establish you dynasty forever
and set up your throne through all ages.' **R:**

He will say to me: You are my father,
my God, the rock who saves me.'
I will keep my love for him always;
for him my covenant shall endure. **R:**

Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27

Ann Foster

Theme: The mystery, which was kept secret for endless ages, is now made clear.

Glory to him who is able to give you the strength to live according to the Good News I preach, and in which I proclaim Jesus Christ, the revelation of a mystery kept secret for endless ages, but now so clear that it must be broadcast to pagans everywhere to bring them to the obedience of faith. This is only what scripture has predicted, and it is all part of the way the eternal God wants things to be. He alone is wisdom; give glory therefore to him through Jesus Christ for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: St Luke 1: 38.

Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the handmaids of the Lord: Let what you have said be done to me! Alleluia!

Gospel: St Luke 1: 26-38

Theme: Listen! You are to conceive and bear a son

Hear the holy gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord

The angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the House of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. He went in and said to her, 'Rejoice, so highly favoured! The Lord is with you.' She was deeply disturbed by these words and asked herself what this greeting could mean, but the angel said to her, 'Mary, do not be afraid; you have won God's favour. Listen! You are to conceive and bear a son, and you must name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David; he will rule over the House of Jacob for ever and his reign will have no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'But how can this come about, since I am a virgin?' 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you' the angel answered 'and the power of the Most High will cover you with its shadow. And so the child will be holy and will be called Son of God. Know this too: your kinswoman Elizabeth has, in her old age, herself conceived a son, and she whom people called barren is now in her sixth month, for nothing is impossible to God.' 'I am the handmaid of the Lord,' said Mary 'let what you have said be done to me.' And the angel left her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

NOTICE BOARD

Christmass Tree of Thought

Remembering loved ones at Christmass. The tree is set up in the Church Hall this year and you are invited to donate at least £1 for the Compton Hospice. In return we will put a Bauble with your loved ones name on it on the tree. The Service will be held **in the Hall on Saturday 30th December at 4.00pm.**

Social Club Events

Wartime Christmas Evening with the Wulfruna Ladies Choir: Saturday 16th December at 8.00pm tickets £7.50p each including Supper

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Saturday 20th January Quiz Night

Saturday 24th February Oompah Band

All tickets from: Carol and John Wardell 01902 671710 or 07770976817.