

Your Prayers Are Asked For

Sick & Housebound:

Baby George Clark, Jean Adey, Greg Ball, Ros Best, Betty Bickerdike, Julie Burke, Sue Clarke, Margaret & Cliff Brazier, Bryan Brookes, Lyn Brooks, Vicky Bullows, Martin Campbell, Martin Chandler, Megan Colledge, Carol Connochie, John Connochie, Lauren & John Colledge, Lyn Cooney, Emily Cousland, Val Dallaway, Madeline Darby, Joyce Davies, Brenda de Bont, Alisha and Kelly Dixon, Malcolm Dixon, Steven Foster, Leon Gilson, Sid Griffiths, Wilf Griffiths, Andy Guest, Jodie Harris, Sylvia Harrison, Pat Hulse, Claire & Tony Jones, Karen Jones, June & John Latham, Joyce & Hal Loach, Brandon Long, Carol Long, Ken Love, Maureen Loyd, Pete Marsh, Helen, Lindy & Mark Massey, Angela Macaulay, Harry Millard, Betty Miller, Edna Price, Margaret Probin, Rosemary Oakley, Evelyn Parker, Nathan Parker, Myra Ponting, Maureen Price, Olive Price, Stan & Edna Reeves, Hazel Saxon, David Screen, Gerald and Chris Smith, Jacob Smith, Joanne Smith, Pauline & Denzil Smith, Michael Smith, Dorothy Spalding, Marjorie & Ray Stevens, Joan Stringer, Paul Thomas, Les Waldron, Bryan Walker, Jennifer Walker, Sorana White, Diane Williams, Val & Les Wilson, Brenda Wood.

Recently Departed: Alan Bamford, Shane Wagstaffe, Jenny Walters.

Years Mind: 16th - Lillian Burgwin, Daniel Connochie, 18th - Doris Nunn; 19th - Alice Cartwright, Kieran Cooper, Arthur Evans, Annie Worrall; 20th - Barbara Guise, Wilfred Kidson, Sheila Millard; 21st - Gladys Bayley, June Jones; 22nd - Donald Garner, Fred Priest.

Residents in Care Homes:

Doris Barnes (The Firs); Lynda Blakemore (Castlewellan); Beryl Cook (Victoria Lodge); Mavis Douglass (Park Lane); Pat Eades (Woodlands); Josie Fiske (Island Court); Eunice Jackson (Abercarn); Pat Hill (Island Court); Audrey Norris (Greenleighs); Pearl Wardhough (Camelot Rest Home); Floss Webb (Lime Tree Court).

OHMS:

Lee Bullows, Amy Chambers, Ebony Churchill, Ian Day, 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.

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THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Collection Boxes are in church for you to take home. With them are the customary candle boxes. Please take them and fill them with whatever spare change you have and bring them to the Christingle on Christmas Eve. Remember every penny counts. Your donation will help to change lives. - *Rob Connochie*.

Did you know we have an **Excellent Toddler Group** we call Busy Tots who meet on Wednesday mornings in our Church Hall. Time to be there is 9.30am - 11.30pm.

Satellite Art Group: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9.45am - 12.45pm
Why not come along and see for yourself what they do? No equipment required. Contact: Mike Beddall 01384 214787

Volunteers needed: Church maintenance and cleaning: Contact John Northall 0121 520 1967. Gardens and Grounds Contact John Wardell 01902 671710

Refreshments after Family Mass, names on the Rota, please!

St Chad's Coseley

Sunday Bulletin

ADVENT 3

16th December 2018

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



Sunday 16th

8.30am
10.15am
12.15pm
5.30pm

3rd Sunday of Advent

Low Mass
Family Mass
Vestry Hour
Carols by Candlelight

Monday 17th

7.00pm
7.30pm

Feria

Karate in the Hall
Praying through the Scriptures at Joe Jones Court

Tuesday 18th

9.40am
6.00pm
7.00pm

Feria

Art Group in Hall
Slim4Good in the Hall
Line Dancing in the Hall

Wednesday 19th

9.00am
9.30am
1.30pm

Feria

Low Mass
Busy Babies in the Hall
Zumba Gold in the Hall

Thursday 20th

9.40am

Feria

Art Group in the Hall

Friday 21st

Feria

Saturday 22nd

9.30am

Feria

Low Mass

Sunday 23rd

Readings: Micah 5:1-4; Psalm 80:2-3,15-16,18-19; Hebrews 10:5-10; St Luke 1:39-44.

8.30am
10.15am
4.00pm

4th Sunday of Advent

Low Mass
Family Mass
Dedication of the Christmass Tree of Thought

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

For more information visit our website www.stchads coseley.co.uk or for constantly updated news on our Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/stchads coseley

Church Hall Hire:

For Hiring the Church Hall - ring Claire Love on Monday or Wednesdays evenings only from 7.00pm - 9.00pm on 07749 88864. I will pass on any Email you sent to me on alan.howes.49@gmail.com.

Today's Mass

Collect:

Almighty God, you sent your Son into the world where the wheat must be winnowed from the chaff and evil clings to what is good. Let the fire of your Spirit purge us of greed and deceit, so that, purified, we may find our peace in you and you may delight in us. 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 in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18

The Lord, the king of Israel, is in your midst

Christine Howes

Shout for joy, daughter of Zion, Israel, shout aloud! Rejoice, exult with all your heart, daughter of Jerusalem! The Lord has repealed your sentence; he has driven your enemies away. The Lord, the king of Israel, is in your midst; you have no more evil to fear. When that day comes, word will come to Jerusalem; Zion, have no fear, do not let your hands fall limp. The Lord your God is in your midst, a victorious warrior. He will exult with joy over you, he will renew you by his love; he will dance with shouts of joy for you as on a day of festival.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Canticle: Isaiah 12

R. Sing and shout for joy for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Mary Halford

Truly, God is my salvation,

I trust, I shall not fear.

For the Lord is my strength, my song,

he became my saviour.

With joy you will draw water

from the wells of salvation. **R.**

Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his name!

Make his mighty deeds known to the peoples!

Declare the greatness of his name. **R.**

Sing a psalm to the Lord

for he has done glorious deeds;

make them known to all the earth!

People of Zion, sing and shout for joy,

for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel. **R.**

Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-7

The Lord is very near

John Wardell

I want you to be happy, always happy in the Lord; I repeat, what I want is your happiness. Let your tolerance be evident to everyone: the Lord is very near. There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Is 61:1 (St Luke 4:18)

Alleluia, alleluia! The spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

'Someone is coming who will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire' Hear the holy

Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord

When all the people asked John, 'What must we do?' he answered, 'If anyone has two tunics he must share with the man who has none, and the one with something to eat must do the same.' There were tax collectors too who came for baptism, and these said to him, 'Master, what must we do?' He said to them, 'Exact no more than your rate.' Some soldiers asked him in their turn, 'What about us? What must we do?' He said to them, 'No intimidation! No extortion! Be content with your pay!'

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.' As well as this, there were many other things he said to exhort the people and to announce the Good News to them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

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Donation for Christmass Flowers are welcome see Mary Halford or Chris Smith

Flower arrangers at work on Tuesday and Thursday in Church from 9.00am

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE

Monday 8th January: Fish and C

hip Lunch

SOCIAL CLUB EVENTS

Saturday 19th January at 8.00pm Quiz Night Tickets £6.00 includes Buffet Super

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

CHRISTMASS TREE OF THOUGHT

Thought will be in church this Christmas, again raising money for Compton Hospice (now known as Compton Care).

Baubles are already available for you to sponsor in memory a loved one at a suggested donation of at least £1 each. Your loved ones name will be put on the bauble and hung on the tree. Names of loved ones and donations need to be given to John Wardell as soon as possible and by the third Sunday in Advent at the latest. Thank you.

Dedication of the Tree and Remembrance Service Sunday 23rd December at 4.00p