

Your Prayers Are Asked For

Sick & Housebound:

Baby George Clark, Greg Ball, Ros Best, Betty Bickerdike, Julie Burke, Sue Clarke, Margaret & Cliff Brazier, Bryan Brookes, Lyn Brooks, Vicky Bullows, Martin Campbell, Martin Chandler, Megan College, 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: Jean Adey, Shane Wagstaffe.

Years Mind: 23rd - Joan Allen, Isaac Baker, Hilda Bamford, Joyce Bottrel; 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.

Birthdays: 23rd - Margaret Harris; 27th - Cath Tope; 30th - Gerald Smith.

Anniversaries: 23rd - Claire & Paul Love.

Residents in Care Homes:

Doris Barnes; Lynda Blakemore; Beryl Cook; Mavis Douglass; Pat Eades; Josie Fiske; Eunice Jackson; Pat Hill; Audrey Norris; Pearl Wardhough; Floss Webb.

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. 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

St Chad's Coseley

Sunday Bulletin

ADVENT 4

23rd December 2018

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



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

Monday 24th

5.00pm

11.00pm

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

Christmas Eve

Christingle Service

Midnight Mass with Carols

Tuesday 25th

8.30am

Readings: Isaiah 62:11-12; Psalm 97:1,6,11-12; Titus 3:4-7; St Luke 2:15-20

10.15am

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

Christmas Day

Mass of the Dawn

Family Mass with Carols

Wednesday 26th

9.30am

Saint Stephen, the first Martyr

Low Mass

Thursday 27th

9.30am

Saint John, Apostle, Evangelist

Low Mass

Friday 28th

9.30am

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

Low Mass

Saturday 29th

Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr

Sunday 30th

Readings: 1 Samuel 1:20-22,24-28; Psalm 128:1-5; Colossians 3:12-21; St Luke 2:41-52.

8.30am

10.15am

The Holy Family

Low Mass

Family Mass

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

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

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 sent to me on alan.howes.49@gmail.com.

Today's Mass

Opening Prayer

Who are we, Lord God that you should come to us? Yet you have visited your people and redeemed us in your Son. As we prepare to celebrate his birth, make our hearts leap for joy at the sound of your Word, and move us by your Spirit to bless your wonderful works. 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.

First Reading – Micah 5:1-4

Margaret Harris

Out of you will be born the one who is to rule over Israel.

The Lord says this:

You, Bethlehem Ephrathah, the least of the clans of Judah, out of you will be born for me the one who is to rule over Israel; his origin goes back to the distant past, to the days of old. The Lord is therefore going to abandon them till the time when she who is to give birth gives birth. Then the remnant of his brothers will come back to the sons of Israel. He will stand and feed his flock with the power of the Lord, with the majesty of the name of his God. They will live secure, for from then on he will extend his power to the ends of the land. He himself will be peace.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm 80:2-3,15-16,18-19

Pat Lakin

R. Lord of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hear us,
shine forth from your cherubim throne.
O Lord, rouse up your might,
O Lord, come to our help. **R**

God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. **R**

May your hand be on the man you have chosen,
the man you have given your strength.
And we shall never forsake you again;
give us life that we may call upon your name. **R**

Second Reading – Hebrews 10:5-10

Paul Love

Here I am! I am coming to obey your will.

This is what Christ said, on coming into the world:
You who wanted no sacrifice or oblation, prepared a body for me.
You took no pleasure in holocausts or sacrifices for sin; then I said, just as I was
commanded in the scroll of the book, 'God, here I am! I am coming to obey your will.'
Notice that he says first: You did not want what the Law lays down as the things to be
offered, that is: the sacrifices, the oblations, the holocausts and the sacrifices for sin, and

you took no pleasure in them; and then he says: Here I am! I am coming to obey your will.
He is abolishing the first sort to replace it with the second. And this will was for us to be
made holy by the offering of his body made once and for all by Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation - Lk1:38

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the handmaid of the Lord: let what you have said be done to me.
Alleluia!

Gospel – Luke 1:39-45

Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord?

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

Glory to you, O Lord

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

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

The total raised for Compton Care from the Tree of Thought is £519.00 which is exactly the same as last year. The Gift Aided amount is £224.00.

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE

Monday 8th January: Fish and Chip 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

Thank you for your donations towards our support of the Compton Hospice
Dedication of the Tree and Remembrance Service Sunday 23rd December at 4.00p

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2019

We will be holding classes in the early part of next year for a confirmation before Easter. Are you interested in this Contact Fr Alan

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