



Worshipping God
Making Disciples
Transforming Community



Working in partnership to serve Nuneaton, Weddington & Caldecote

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday 14th December Advent 3

St Nicolas Church, Vicarage St

10am Service: Holy Communion

Theme : Isaiah 11: 1-10, Matthew 11: 2-11

Service Leader: Phil Healy

Preacher: Rev Chris Routledge

6pm St Nicolas Community Carol Service

Coming up next Sunday:

St Nicolas: 10am Childrens Church Nativity **St James** :- 10am Holy Communion & Carols

St James Church, Weddington

10am Service: All Age Worship (Nativity)

Theme: All Age Team

Service Leader All Age Team

Preacher: All Age Team

This Week at a glance

St Nicolas Church & Hall

Mon: 10am Yr 2 & Yr 4 Christingle

Tues: 10.30am Funeral of Sarah **Jane** Proffitt

Wed: 9:15 Nuneaton Church Leaders Prayer
10am Holy Communion

12pm Wednesday Winter Warmers

Thurs: 10am Yr 5 Christmas Service
6pm Caldwell Lodge Carols

Fri: 11am Funeral of Angela Bell

Sat: 10am-12 Nuneaton Children's Contact Centre
10am Great Mince pie Giveaway
1-3pm Saints Hamper Packing

St James Church & Hall

Mon:

Tues: 10am Coffee Pot (St James hall)

7pm Carols & Chaos Ashby Fishwives

Wed:

Thurs:

Fri:

Sat:



Let us pray



1 In this Advent Season as we await the coming of the Prince of Peace we pray for peace in the world. We pray that the cease fire in Gaza may soon become a permanent peace, that the negotiators of the USA, Ukraine and Russia may soon agree peace terms for the ending on the war in Ukraine, that the civil War in Sudan may soon end.

2 We continue to pray for our Outreach Mission Partners, this week embracing them all in our prayers for those who work with Saints and Swans.

3 We pray for our ministers, Chris, Dave, Modupe and Martin, and all our Service Leaders as they face the increased workload of the Christmas Season.

4 As we look forward to the joy of Christmas and the pleasure it brings to us we pray for those in need at this time, the homeless, the destitute, those with financial difficulties, the lonely and housebound and the sick and bereaved.

Lord Jesus, as we wait for You, fill our hearts with hope and peace. Help us prepare a place for You and share Your light. Amen.

Regular Monthly Events

St James Prayer Meeting:	Wed 21st Jan 10.30am
St Nicolas Church Cleaning :	TBA
St James Churchyard Maintenance:	Tues 16 th Dec 9.30am
St Nicolas Worship Singing Team:	TBA
St Nicolas PCC Meeting	TBA
St James PCC Meeting:	TBA
Christmas Coffee Morning:	Tues 16th Dec 10am
Baby Jammers:	Fri 9 th January 10am
Home Group:	Tues 13 th January 7pm
Deanery synod:	TBA

Banns of Marriage for St Nicolas & St James Parish

No Banns to be called

Want to keep up to date with the diocese?

Coventry Diocese Newsletter

<https://www.equiphub.org.uk/newsletters/equip-update-48/>

Want to get to know more people from the congregation in a relaxed way?

Regular Social Groups At St Nicolas & St James: All Welcome

Milkmaids (Ladies Group) 2nd Wednesday 10.30 at the Cow Shed (Poplars Farm)

Men's Group 1st Friday 12pm at Attleborough Arms - 6th February

Evening Group (Everyone welcome) 4th Monday at Harvester 19:00 26th January

Parish Walking Group (selected dates on Saturdays) meeting at St James Car Park



St James Prayer Meeting

St James Prayer Meetings will now be held during the day at
36 Butteremere Avenue, CV11 6ET

The next Prayer Meeting will be **Wednesday 21st Jan at 10.30am**

Tues 13th January 7pm Home Group at : TBA

Come along and join this new home group in the Parishes, all welcome

Planned dates for home groups 2nd & 4th Tuesdays

Please contact the office or Brenda (Churchwarden) for more details



Christmas Flowers

Sadly the flower fund for St Nicolas is running dry. Could you give a little towards these? Perhaps in memory of a loved one? If so see Terry or Nick



A poem for this season

In winter's hush, the promise gleams,
A light that breaks our darkest dreams.
Hope whispers soft, "The King will come,"
Prepare your heart—make Him your home.



News

Nuneaton Childrens Contact Centre

Nuneaton Child Contact Centre is in need of more volunteers. The Child contact centre support estranged parents to have contact with their children in a supervised environment. The Nuneaton centre was set up around 40 years ago and was the second in the country. There are very few local options for families to have this kind of support in this area for free. If you are interested to be involved or find out more please speak to Lyn Werrett (via Parish office)

Carol Ward: Funeral Service 29th Dec 9.45 am

I'm very sorry to inform you that Carol Ward passed away last Sunday Morning. Carol was an active and regular member of St Nicolas Church community and in later years attended the Wednesday Communion Service. She was a great encourager and supporter of many activities - at one time with the Mothers Union. Our knitted Nativity set was knitted by her as well, one year, taking part in knitting 1000 angels to distribute to school children at Christmas. She will be greatly missed but lovingly remembered by us all at St Nicolas Church and beyond.

I would love us to be able to offer to support the family with refreshments after the service - if you can help with this please speak to Rev Chris

Folasade Adeoye: Funeral Service 15th Dec 11 am Coventry Cathedral

Our thoughts and prayers are also with Rev. Modupe and her family as they hold the funeral service for Modupe's Mum, Folasade. You are welcome to attend the funeral if you are able to but your thoughts and prayers are most appreciated at this time.

Can you help with distributing the Christmas leaflets?

We have 5000 flyers to distribute around the parishes and need your help to do this. If you are able to take some flyers please let Martyn Butt (at St James) or Rev Dave Jones know before you distribute and they will be able to ensure we don't duplicate areas. You are welcome to take any number you like to distribute to friends or family who you would like to invite to services

Can you help with the Christmas Services?

You can see from the flyers a large number of services that are taking place this year- Are you able to help with any of these? if you were interested in supporting the teams to help with set up, welcome, and in some services readers. Please speak to Garry (St Nics), Paul (St James) or one of the clergy team.

Who could you invite?

Christmas is a great opportunity to invite your friends, family or neighbours - do be thinking and praying about who you could invite to what this year.

The Great Mince Pie Giveaway

Saturday 20th December

From 10am until they are all gone

Meet by the Christmas

Tree in the town centre

Nuneaton
Churches



Christmas in a Box Packing Party

Help pack the boxes that will be given to bless families in our community

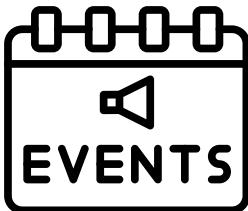
Saturday 20th December

1pm – 3pm

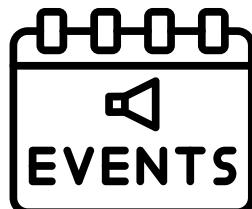
Upstairs in Saints

Nuneaton
Churches





Upcoming events:



Welcome Home
THIS CHRISTMAS
at St Nicolas Church, Nuneaton

You are warmly invited to join us at St Nicolas Church, and make us your home this Christmas.

St. Nicolas COMMUNITY CAROL SERVICE

Celebrating Christmas in Music and Poetry through local musicians, Schools and groups from across the Nuneaton Community

Sunday 14th Dec
6PM AT ST NICOLAS CHURCH

St Nicolas Church, Vicarage St, CV11 4AZ
www.stnicolascurch.org.uk

Christmas QUIZ

FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2025

ST NICOLAS CHURCH
12 VICARAGE STREET
NUNEATON
CV11 4AZ

NO ENTRY FEE—JUST BRING A DONATION PER TEAM: A SINGLE-BED THROW OR BLANKET, OR EVERYDAY TOILETRIES (SHAMPOO, CONDITIONER, SHOWER GEL, DEODORANT, ETC.). PRACTICAL, SIMPLE ITEMS HELP MOST.

ADMISSION BY RESERVATION ONLY
SO PLEASE RESERVE YOUR PLACE BY VISITING
WWW.THEMEGANNEWBOROUGHFOUNDATION.COM/EVENTS

DONATIONS IN AID OF

Refuge
For women and children.
Against domestic violence.

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Working in partnership to serve Nuneaton, Weddington & Coalville

WEDNESDAY Winter Warmer

St Nicolas Church •
Wednesdays, 12–1pm
Soup + roll served •
Christmas music to lift the mood

St Nicolas Church •
www.stnicolascurch.org.uk

प्रार्थनाकालीन समाप्ति

PRE Christmas Celebration

मानवानालिसाई परमेश्वरसेवा मिलाप कराते संसारको मुकियाता प्रभु येण् खीएको जन्मको उपलब्ध्यमा सम्पूर्ण महानुभावहरूमा उदार-मुक्ति सुख-शानि तथा हर्ष र आनंदको शुभकामना सहित प्रियजनसम्म कार्यक्रममा १५ नेपाली सेवाको तर्फबाट हार्दिक निमन्त्रण गर्दछौं।

धन्यवाद

Get Ready for a Festive Feast! Unlimited Joy, carol song with worship, Dance, the inspiring Christmas Story and Nepalese Food.

15 December at 5PM
St. Nicolas Parish Church, CV11 4AZ

दोस्रो बाह्रमात्र तिर्यकहरूलाई निम्ने एक जन्म मुकियाताको जन्म भएका हैं, यस बाहें मध्य हुन्नन्न।

Welcome Home
THIS CHRISTMAS
at St Nicolas Church, Nuneaton

You are warmly invited to join us at St Nicolas Church, and make us your home this Christmas.

St. Nicolas NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

A traditional service of readings and carols, helping us to reflect on the meaning of Christmas in the beautiful and historical setting of St Nicolas Church, Nuneaton

Sunday 21st Dec
6PM AT ST NICOLAS CHURCH

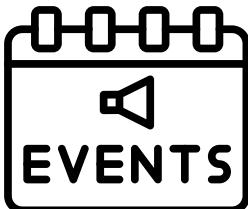
St Nicolas Church, Vicarage St, CV11 4AZ
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You are warmly invited to a
Blue Christmas Service

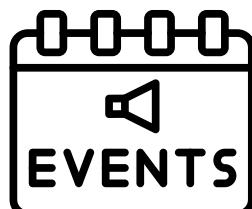
7pm 23rd December
St James Church, Weddington

10am 24th December
St Nicolas Church, Nuneaton

A special service to receive the hope of Christmas especially when you don't feel 'Christmassy'



Upcoming events:



Welcome Home
THIS CHRISTMAS
AT ST JAMES CHURCH, WEDDINGTON

You are warmly invited to join us at St James Church, and make us your home this Christmas

Ashby Fish Wives CAROLS AND CHAOS

Come and Enjoy some Carols and new interpretations of well-known Christmas Songs

Tue 16th Dec
7:30PM AT ST JAMES CHURCH
St James Church, Church Ln, CV10 0EY
www.stjomesweddington.org.uk

Welcome Home
THIS CHRISTMAS
AT ST JAMES CHURCH, WEDDINGTON

You are warmly invited to join us at St James Church, and make us your home this Christmas

St. James COMMUNITY CAROL SERVICE

A carol service for the Weddington & Caldecote Community with a chance to sing your favourite Carols and hear the Christmas message in the beautiful setting of St James Church

Mon 22nd Dec
7:30PM AT ST JAMES CHURCH
St James Church, Church Ln, CV10 0EY
www.stjomesweddington.org.uk

Welcome Home
THIS CHRISTMAS
AT ST JAMES CHURCH, WEDDINGTON

You are warmly invited to join us at St James Church, and make us your home this Christmas

St. James CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY CAROLS

A popular and festive way to begin your Christmas Eve Celebrations. This has become so popular we run this twice at 3:00pm and 4:30pm. To ensure you can get in, don't forget to book. Tickets available on Eventbrite (see facebook and website for more details)

Christmas Eve 24th Dec
3PM & 4:30PM AT ST JAMES CHURCH
St James Church, Church Ln, CV10 0EY
www.stjomesweddington.org.uk

Welcome Home
THIS CHRISTMAS
AT ST NICOLAS CHURCH, MUNERTON

Crib Service

CHRISTMAS EVE 4PM
ST NICOLAS CHURCH, MUNERTON
ALL WELCOME
A CHRISTMAS SERVICE FOR ALL THE FAMILY

St. Nicolas
St. Nicolas Church, Vicarage St, CV11 4AZ
www.stnicolascurch.org.uk

Welcome Home
THIS CHRISTMAS
AT ST NICOLAS CHURCH, MUNERTON

You are warmly invited to join us at St Nicolas Church, and make us your home this Christmas

St. Nicolas MIDNIGHT MASS

A traditional and beautiful service to celebrate the first Holy Communion of Christmas

Christmas Eve 24th Dec
11:30PM AT ST NICOLAS CHURCH
St Nicolas Church, Vicarage St, CV11 4AZ
www.stnicolascurch.org.uk

Welcome Home
THIS CHRISTMAS
AT ST JAMES CHURCH, WEDDINGTON

You are warmly invited to join us at St James Church, and make us your home this Christmas

St. James CHRISTMAS DAY HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrate this special day with Carols and sharing Holy Communion on Christmas Day

Christmas Day 25th Dec
10AM AT ST JAMES CHURCH
St James Church, Church Ln, CV10 0EY
www.stjomesweddington.org.uk

Welcome Home
THIS CHRISTMAS
AT ST NICOLAS CHURCH, MUNERTON

You are warmly invited to join us at St Nicolas Church, and make us your home this Christmas

St. Nicolas CAROLS AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE

A service for all ages on Christmas Day

Christmas Day 25th Dec
10:00AM AT ST NICOLAS CHURCH
St Nicolas Church, Vicarage St, CV11 4AZ
www.stnicolascurch.org.uk

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AT ST JAMES CHURCH, WEDDINGTON

Welcome Home
THIS CHRISTMAS
AT ST NICOLAS CHURCH, MUNERTON

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St. Nicolas & St. James CAROLS OF PRAISE JOINT SERVICE

A Chance to sing your favourite carols and share why they are important to you

Sunday 28th Dec
10AM AT ST NICOLAS CHURCH
St Nicolas Church, Vicarage St, CV11 4AZ
www.stnicolascurch.org.uk



Mission Support



- Please pray for these organisations - be curious and find out more.
- *Could you be a link person for one of these organisations?* I would love to have someone who is able to be a point of contact for news, prayer requests and to be able to share information.

If you think you might be able to help please contact Chris or Marina through the parish office and we will discuss this further with you.

Nuneaton Foodbank: <https://nuneaton.foodbank.org.uk/>

Parish Reps: Val Bottrill & Jim Keeley

Nuneaton Foodbank attended St Nicolas festival on 29th November, read more here about their experience - <https://nuneaton.foodbank.org.uk/2025/12/04/st-nicolas-festival-29th-november-2025/>

Nuneaton CAP: <https://mcbcnuneaton.org.uk/cap-christians-against-poverty/>

Parish Reps:

Saints: Student Lounge <https://www.saintsnuneaton.org/student-lounge>

Parish Reps: Rev Dave Jones

Signers & Speakers United:

Fielders 'Deaf Hearing United' mission in Uganda (on Facebook)

Parish Reps:

Tearfund: <https://www.tearfund.org/>

Parish Reps:

Bible Society <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/>

Parish Reps:



Can you Help with Food Bank?

Foodbank would love to receive additional Sleeping bags if you have any no longer needed. These can be given to Val or Jim directly.

Can you Help with Signers and Speakers United?

Signers and Speakers United further request for any used, factory reset smartphones. New Ugandan towns and lead advocates are emerging and they need a visual communication tool which is unaffordable to them. Please pass on to Helen and Adam or via Parish Office.

Team Contacts

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St Nicolas & St James Parish Office

Open Mon, Wed & Fri

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Dates for your Diary

14th December
10am Pop-up Nativity (St James)
6pm St Nicolas Community Carol Concert

16th December
7pm Carols and Chaos: Ashby Fishwives (St James)

17th Dec 12-1pm Wednesday Winter Warmers (St Nics)

18th Dec 6pm Carols at Caldwell Lodge

20th Dec 10am Great Mince Pie Giveaway
1-3pm Saints Hamper Packing

21st December
10am Children's Church Nativity (st Nics)
6pm Nine Lessons and Carols (St Nics)

22nd December
7pm Weddington & Caldecote Carol Service (St James)

23rd December
7pm Blue Christmas Service (St James)

24th December - Christmas Eve
10am Blue Christmas Service (St Nics)
4pm Crib Service (St Nics)
3pm and 4:30 Family Carol Service (st James)
11:30 Midnight mass (St Nics).

25th December - Christmas Day
10am Christmas Day Communion (St James)
10am Carols around the Christmas Tree (St Nics)

28th December - Carols of Praise (St Nics) (there will be no junior church at St Nics)