

# St Paul's Church, Coven

Part of the Diocese of Lichfield under the Extended Pastoral and  
Sacramental Care of the Bishop of Ebbsfleet

*'A place of sanctuary within the community'*

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***For those who are sick and lonely; that they may  
know the love, peace and strength of Christ:***

Jo Hadley, Anne, Linda, Rita, Jim Watson, Val Jones,  
Monica, Adam Jones, Eddie, Dennis, Beryl, Kath  
Edwards, Rosemary, Sheila Beamish, Pauline Bevan,  
Joshua, Baby Freddie, Bob, Jane Chester, Margaret  
Rose, Mike Hampson and Katie & Gary Banks.

***For those who have recently died in the faith of  
Christ and for all whose anniversaries fall at this  
time*** Fred Foreman, Eva Stacey, James Watton,

William Clapp, William Poade. Phyllis Harbottle,  
Lynsey Bailey, Thomas Murphy, Dorothy Ward,  
Pamela Lathe, Roy Colclough, Rowland Watkins,  
Anthony Worth and Olive Burgess Rest eternal grant  
to them O Lord ***and let light perpetual shine upon  
them.*** May they rest in peace ***and rise in glory.***

## **A prayer for this time**

For the health workers tending the seriously ill  
for the scientists working on a vaccination  
for the researchers analysing data and identifying  
trends, for the media outlets working to  
communicate reality, for the supermarket workers,  
hygiene and sanitation providers, for the good news  
stories of recoveries and effective planning,  
for the recognition that isolation doesn't need to  
mean loneliness, for the internet and telephones and  
technology that connects, for the awakened  
appreciation of what is truly important

Thanks be to God.

**Amen**

**This Sunday 20th December**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**10.00 a.m. Parish Eucharist**

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December**

**Advent FERIA**

**10.30 a.m. Holy Eucharist**

**Details of the Christmas services and for the rest  
of the year are detailed below**

**Do please try and attend on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January at  
11.00 a.m. where we can hopefully look forward  
and pray for a better New Year**

**Our Weekly Offering to God**

**Please, please try to keep up your offering**

either by Bank Transfer or by popping your  
envelopes through Pauline's (3 Holmcroft) or  
Jan's (2 The Paddock) doors.

**St Pauls Parochial Church Council Coven**

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**If you have IT access do join in our Zoom Coffee  
session at 12 Noon on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>**

**December.**

**Christmas Drinks Raffle**

Congratulations to Jane O'Flaherty who was the lucky  
winner of the Christmas Drinks Hamper.

**Christmas Services at St Paul's Church**

Details follow.

Seats **MUST** be prebooked, **even if you are a regular**  
and will be limited, so book early and tell friends and  
family.

**Readings**

Please remember to bring a copy of the readings or  
your iPad with you to services and take them and the  
service sheet away with you afterwards (it just helps  
with the workload of clearing, cleaning and setting  
out the church for the next service).

There will be **no** mid-week service on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>  
December.

There will be **no** Coffee Zoom on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>  
December

This is the final weekly newsletter of the year.

(The Elves are having a rest!)

# Christmas at St Paul's Church, Coven



Sunday 20.12.2020	10.00 a.m. 4th Sunday of Advent
Thursday 24.12.2020	4.00 p.m. Crib Service for children held outside, weather permitting. 11.30 p.m. Midnight Mass
Friday 25.12.2020	10.00 a.m. Christmas Day Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord
Sunday 27.12.2020	10.00 a.m. The Holy Family
Friday 01.01.2021	11.00 a.m. Mary Mother of God

*The Church is Covid secure, to ensure we can maintain social distancing seats must be prebooked by telephoning or emailing one of the churchwardens. All contact details are given at the top of this newsletter*

*All services, with the exception of the Crib Service will be recorded and the links published on our Facebook and Web pages.*

*We hope you can join with us over the Christmas period either in person or virtually. There isn't a better time to join with the Christ child and give thanks for bringing us through this past year, to pray for those who have departed and to recognise the skill of scientists in developing a vaccine.*

***Please check on our Facebook and Web pages as well as this newsletter to check services are still going ahead in these uncertain times***

*Our love & prayers to you all.  
Pauline & Karen x*