



St Giles' Church, Bubbenhall:

Newsletter for December 2019- January 2020.

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SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE: DECEMBER 2019 – JANUARY 2020

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
December 1: Advent Sunday.	11.00 a.m: Holy Communion	10.00 a.m: Village Service.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 4.00 p.m. Tree of Light Service.
December 8: Second Sunday of Advent.	6.30 p.m: Evensong	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m: Christmas Workshop and Village Worship.
Monday, December 9: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary			6.30 p.m: Holy Communion with members of Augmented Choir and Musica Sacra.
December 15: Third Sunday of Advent	11.00 a.m: Mattins. 8.15 p.m: Holy Communion by candlelight.	5.00 p.m: Carol and Crib Service.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
December 22: Fourth Sunday of Advent	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Family Service: <i>Christingle Service</i> <i>Collection in aid of the Children's Society</i> 4.30 p.m: Carols by Candlelight.
December 24: Christmas Eve	4.30 p.m: Crib Service <i>for children and their families.</i> <i>Collection in aid of the Children's Society</i>		5.00 p.m: Crib Service <i>for children and their families.</i> 11.30 p.m: Midnight Mass.
December 25: Christmas Day	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion 11.00 a.m: Holy Communion.		9.30 a.m: Family Communion.
December 29: First Sunday of Christmas	<i>Fifth Sunday in the Month: one united service for all three parishes.</i>		9.30 a.m: United Benefice Holy Communion.
Sunday, January 5 The Epiphany	11.00 a.m: Holy Communion	10.00 a.m: Village Service.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion 6.30 p.m: Evensong.
January 12 Second Sunday of Epiphany	6.30 p.m: Evensong.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 9.30a.m: Village Worship.

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January 19 Second Sunday of Epiphany	11.00 a.m: Mattins. 8.15 p.m: Holy Communion by candlelight.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.
January 26 Third Sunday of Epiphany	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Family Service. 6.30 p.m: Holy Communion.
February 2 The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)	11.00 a.m: Holy Communion	10.00 a.m: Christingle service in aid of the Children's Society.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion 6.30 p.m: Evensong.
February 9 Third Sunday before Lent	6.30 Evensong	10.00: Holy Communion	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30: Village Worship

At Ryton: EVERY WEDNESDAY except December 11 and January 8:
9.20 a.m: Holy Communion.

December 11 and January 8: 11.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.

Bible Study Group.

Karen Storch is coordinating our new Bible Study Group for our three congregations. Meetings have started and are in Ryton Church Centre on Thursday evenings every week, starting at 7.00 with a cup of tea or coffee. Members of the group are studying the second book of the Bible- Exodus- the story of Moses.

If you would like to join - or if you know anyone who would be interested- please get in touch with Karen (07392378690) Rosemary (01788573067) or Fr. David (02476301283)



St Leonard's Church, Ryton on Dunsmore

Saturday

November
30th

10 am - 12 noon
in the
Village Hall



Christmas Coffee Morning

Come and enjoy
all your favourite stalls -
& some new ones!

Home-Made Cakes, Pickles, Toys,
Books, Games, Bottle Stall, a Raffle & more!!



*We'll be serving coffee,
tea, bacon rolls & hot-dogs!*

Tree of Light.

From Advent Sunday- December 1st- until the Feast of the Epiphany- January 6th 2020, there will be a Tree of Light by Ryton Church Porch Door. It will be lit each evening.

There will be a service in church at 4 p.m. on Sunday, December 1st, at which the names of those remembered with a light will be read out, and the lights will be switched on at the end of the service.

If you would like a light in memory of a loved one, please contact June Backholler Tel. 02476 302353 for a form.

We would love to see you for tea/coffee and cake after the service.



Christmas Eve, December 24, 4.30 p.m. in St. Giles' Church: Our popular traditional Crib Service.



We invite you to support the vital work of the Children's Society by contributing generously at our Crib Service at 4.30 on Christmas Eve.

Do come along and bring your children. Sing your favourite carols, re-tell the Christmas story, put the figures in the Crib. Children: if you want, dress up as a Shepherd or Wise Man. Or an angel....or a sheep! Or carry a star. Or just come as you are!

Please, if you are a taxpayer, place your contribution in a Gift Aid envelope, to

enable the Children's Society to reclaim from the government the tax you have already paid. This adds approximately 25% to the value of your donation.

Decorating the Church for Christmas: A message from Jackie Lloyd.

If you are able to help decorating the church for Christmas, please contact Jackie to arrange mutually convenient times. Tel 02476302 836.

Sunday, December 22 at Ryton: Christingle Service

Our popular family Service will this month take the form of a Christingle service. It will take place on December 22 at the usual time of 9.30 a.m. in St Leonard's Church.

At this service there will be a collection in aid of the Children's Society in support of their work with disadvantaged and abused children and young people, including those who are bullied and those who have run away from home.

Please stay for refreshments after the service.



November 10: Remembrance Service. We thank the Revd. Graeme Pringle for leading our Remembrance day Service, and Mrs. Ruth Smith for playing the organ. The collection raised £27.50 in aid of the British legion. Thank you for your donations .

Get Ready for Christmas ...



**Come and join us
for a Christmas Workshop
at St. Leonard's Church,
Ryton**

9.30 - 11.00 am

**Sunday
8 December**

**in the
Church Centre,
followed by a
short service
in Church**



**Come and have fun
making presents and decorations
ready for Christmas.**



**There'll be squash, tea, coffee
and biscuits to keep you going!**

Families from Bubbenhall and Baginton very welcome!



Carol Singing at Ryton- All welcome!

We will be carol singing once again in the Village on

Tuesday 17th December.

6.15 - 8.30pm

Meet at the **Bottom of Church Road**, then Holly Drive and Cedar Avenue on the new estate.

All very welcome to come and join us, children accompanied by an adult please. Refreshments afterwards.

More details contact

Ba Marsh 02476 76304295

or Sylvia Dixon 02476301417

This is a lovely, family event and volunteers, either for singing or for collecting from houses, are always very welcome!

Please can children be accompanied by an adult.

Carol sheets provided

It can be very cold so wrap up warmly.

Please listen out for us - **All proceeds go to Action Medical Research**

Thank you for your brilliant support in the past - last year we had to cancel owing to bad weather, but over the previous two years the carol singing has raised over £500!

(Contact Ba Marsh 76304295)

Ryton on Dunsmore History Group

Meetings Every 4th Friday of the Month at The Village Hall 7.30pm – 9.30 pm.

Subscriptions £20 per year or £2.50 per meeting.

We are now on the council website for you to get more information.

www.ryton-on-dunsmore.org

or phone **Steve Garrett 76639228** or **Ann 76302695**

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER BY JANUARY 20th PLEASE!



Churchyard Maintenance: Congratulations and thank you!

To all the people who have worked so hard and so loyally all year to keep our churchyard a place to be proud of: heartfelt thanks and congratulations! Tidy-up sessions will start again in spring. If any other residents could spare an hour or so once a month to help in the churchyard, please contact Jackie Lloyd on 02476302836



Look out for the Mummers! (date tbc.)

Ryton Mummers will perform the Ryton on Dunsmore Mumming Play, touring the pubs and clubs of Ryton, Baginton and Bubbenhall, to raise funds for the churches in all three villages.

Warwickshire County Libraries: Home Delivery service

This is a free service to those who are unable to visit or use their local library or Mobile Library due to ill health or infirmity.

We deliver books to people in their homes once every four weeks, based on their personal preferences. We offer books in both Large and Small print and also talking books on compact disc.

Anyone who feels that they would be eligible and would benefit from receiving the service can contact us on [01926 851031](tel:01926851031) or by email on



Come and enjoy breakfast in **BUBBENHALL** Village Hall!

First Saturday in the month, from 9.00 – 11.00 a.m.

Bacon/ sausage etc. batches, tea, coffee- priced per item.

Proceeds in aid of St. Giles' Church.

Gill Green and the breakfast team hope to welcome you **on Saturday, December 7th and Saturday, January 4th.**



On December 7th, a special guest is expected- Father Christmas will be calling in to have breakfast with the children!

Do come along and bring your friends!

Many thanks to Gill, and to all other members of the Breakfast Team.

Children at St Leonard's Church, Ryton.

Children of all ages will find a warm welcome at all our 9.30 a.m. Sunday services. We would love to welcome your children to our Sunday School, which takes place on the first and third Sundays of the month in the church centre when the main service in church is more formal, and on the second and fourth Sundays we



have less formal services designed for all ages, with special activities for children. In addition, those aged 8 and above are invited to join our robed choir, or train as altar servers at Bubbenhall and Ryton churches. **Families from Baginton and Bubbenhall are especially welcome to the Ryton services.**

Contact Mrs Backholler on 02476 302 353 for details of Sunday School, and Mrs. Marsh on 02476 304295 for information about the choir, and Mrs. Rosemary King on 01788 573067 for details of altar server training.

Thought for the Month: Recognizing Jesus



Leo Tolstoy tells the story of Martin, the old shoemaker who dreamed one Christmas Eve that Jesus would come to visit him the next day. The dream was so real that he was convinced it would come true.

So the next morning he got up and went out and cut green boughs and decorated his little cobbler shop and got all ready for Jesus to come and visit. He was so sure that Jesus was going to come that he just sat down and waited for Him.

The hours passed and Jesus didn't come. But an old man came. He came inside for a moment to get warm out of the winter cold. As the cobbler talked with him he noticed the holes in the old man's shoes, so he reached up on the shelf and got him a new pair of shoes. He made sure they fitted and that he had dry socks and sent him on his way.

Still he waited. But Jesus didn't come. An old woman came. A woman who hadn't had a decent meal in two days. They sat and talked for a while, and then Martin prepared some cabbage soup for them to share. He gave her a nourishing meal and sent her on her way. Then he sat down again to wait for Jesus. But Jesus still didn't come.

Then he heard a little boy crying in front of his shop. He went out and talked with the boy, and discovered that the child had been separated from his parents and didn't know how to get home. So Martin put on his coat, took the boy by the hand and led him home.

When he came back to his little shoe shop it was almost dark and the streets were emptied of people.

And then in disappointment he lifted his voice to heaven and said, "Oh Lord Jesus, why didn't you come?"

And in his heart he seemed to hear a voice saying:

"Oh cobbler Martin, lift up your heart.

I kept my word.

Three times I knocked at your friendly door.

Three times my shadow fell over your floor.

I was the man with the bruised feet.

I was the woman you gave to eat.

I was the homeless boy on the street."

And Martin understood that his dream *had* come true; and that the Saviour had really come to him that day, and he had welcomed him.

After "Where Love is, God is" by Leo Tolstoy.



The Word was made flesh



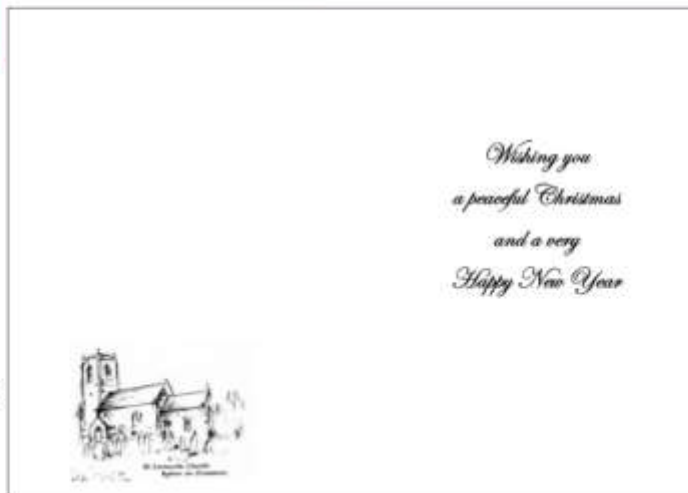
...and dwelt among us.

St. Leonard's , Ryton, Christmas cards.



We have Christmas cards for sale - they are A6 (postcard) size and come with an envelope, sealed in cellophane.

The inside of each contains



Cards are priced at 50p each or 4 (two of each design) for £1.50. Please contact Frances or Churchwardens to make a purchase!

.... and finally...



Happy Christmas! Rosemary.



Services for Christmas 2019 in the three parishes
of Baginton, Bubbenhall & Ryton on Dunsmore

Sunday 8 December

At St Leonard's, RYTON
at 9.30 am Christmas Village Workshop & Worship

Sunday 15 December


At St John the Baptist, BAGINTON
At 5 pm Carol & Crib Service

Sunday 22 December



At St Leonard's, RYTON
at 9.30 am Family Service - Christingle
& at 4.30 pm Carols by Candlelight

Christmas Eve




at St Giles, BUBBENHALL
at 4.30 pm Crib Service

At St Leonard's, RYTON
at 5.00 pm Crib Service
& at 11.30 pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

at St Giles, BUBBENHALL
at 8.00 am & 11.00 am Holy Communion

At St Leonard's, RYTON
at 9.30 am Holy Communion



Wherever you live you will be welcome to come
and celebrate Christmas at any or all of these services

The email Newsletter contains more news than there is room for in the paper version, as well as pictures, also sometimes jokes and cartoons. If you know anyone who would like to receive the newsletter by email, please contact Rosemary King on rosiking2963@gmail.com, and ask for them to be put on the list. There is no charge.