

PINPOINT - THE NEWSLETTER FOR THE PEOPLE OF PINVIN

Produced by **St Nicholas Church** Pinvin.

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What a Busy Fun December!

3rd December at
**4:30 pm. Our
Special
St.Nicholas Day**
Service. Soup &
bread after

10th December at
3:30pm Our
Advent Concert
**"The Christmas
Story"**
Sung by the St
George's Ladies
Choir. refreshments

24th December at
**5:00pm Carol Service
& Christingle.**
Children required for
the Crib setting.
Followed by Mulled
Wine & Mince pies

Plus the **Xmas ROCKET**

25th December at
**10:00am the
Christmas Day
Eucharist.** Come to
celebrate this special day





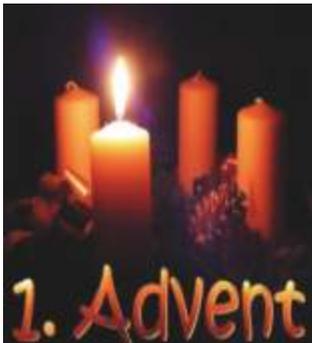
Saint Nicholas Day **Special Service.**

3rd December at 4:30 pm.

We shall tell the story about St. Nicholas the patron saint of this Church.

A time to remember St Nicholas with readings, prayers and well known hymns. A service for all the family.

Refreshments of – Soup & Bread and Cake .



ADVENT CONCERT

10th December at 3:30 pm.

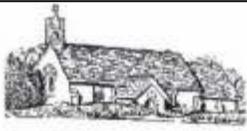
THE CHRISTMAS STORY

Presented by

St George's Ladies Choir

This lovely story about the Advent period leading up to Christmas Day will be presented in both word and song. Mulled Wine and Mince pies to follow.

Donations to the Church please.



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The Newsletter For The Village of Pinvin, Produced By St Nicholas Church Pinvin

From Claire Lording, our Vicar

Dear Friends

You always know when Christmas is near as everyone starts talking about the Christmas adverts on television. Whether it's monsters under beds or a certain bear from deepest darkest Peru helping out 'Father Christmas' we will all have our favourite. Companies spend huge amounts of money on their Christmas adverts because they want to remind us about an important part of Christmas, the giving and receiving of gifts. Hopefully we've all had that feeling when we know that we've given the absolutely perfect gift to someone we care about, or when we have received just what we always wanted.

It's good to be reminded that the giving and receiving of gifts is so important because at the heart of Christmas for the Christian Church is the gift of Jesus Christ. The Christmas story reminds us that the gift of Jesus wasn't completely expected at the time, even though people for many years hoped that a special person would come one day. Mary and Joseph, shepherds and wise men suddenly find themselves caught up in the greatest story of all, a story which they believed would change their lives forever. Suddenly there was hope that the world they were living in would be brighter, kinder, more full of love and much more hopeful. God had come to be with them in the tiny baby, who grew up to be man that challenged everything they knew, because he loved them and wanted them to have fulfilled lives.

That message of hope and love is one that we can all share in the different ways that we celebrate Christmas. At Church we like to tell the story of Jesus' birth at our services. We also try and remember all those places and situations where people long for hope today. Whatever you do this Christmas please spare a thought for those in refugee camps, for those living in communities devastated by natural disaster, for those struggling with debt, for all those in need this winter, that their New Year may be brighter and more hopeful.

Wishing you a joyful Christmas and a peaceful New Year

Claire



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Closing date for applications: 15th December.

E-mail: nnharding@hotmail.com for a job description and application form.

Members of Pinvin Parish Council & useful contacts

Chairman: Steve Mitchell
4 Willow Close
Tel 01386 555467

Vice-Chairman: Alasdair Mustard
The Close, Main Street
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3 Willow Close
Tel: 01386 561921

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I have been editor of Pinpoint for almost 6 years now. I do not wish to be a monopolist, so if you would like to expand your skill base and accept the challenge please get in touch and I'll pass on any tips I have accrued. It doesn't take too much time and is quite satisfying.

Best regards, William (editor)

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3 rd	Dec	4.30 pm	St Nicholas Service
10 th	Dec	3.30 pm	Advent Concert
17 th	Dec	10.30 am	Sunday Praise
24 th	Dec	5.00 pm	Christingle & Crib Service
25 th	Dec	10.00 am	Christmas Day Communion
31 st	Dec	10.30 am	Benefice Service Pershore Abbey
<u>2018</u>			
7 th	Jan	10.30 am	Holy Communion
21 st	Jan	10.30 am	Sunday Praise

At the end of each service we enjoy coffee and biscuits and friendship.

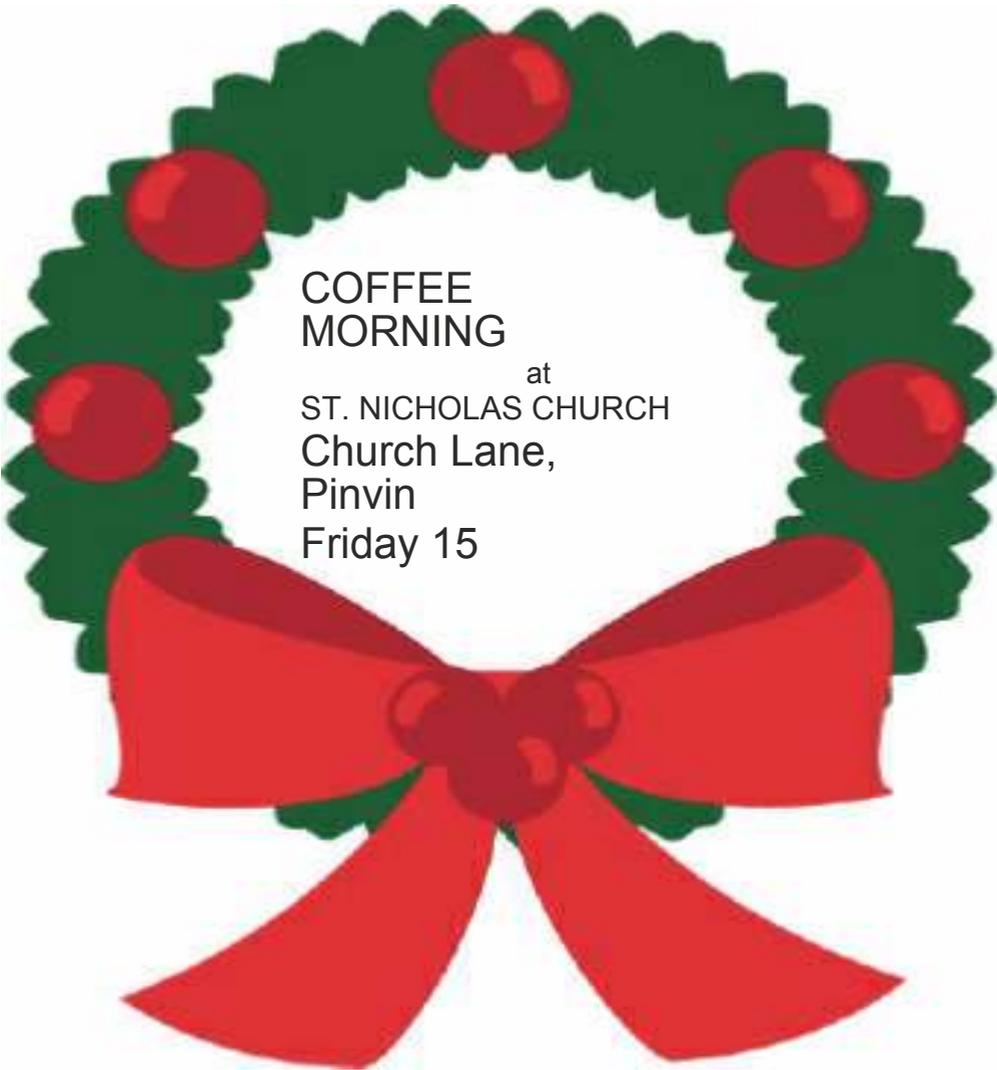
5th Sunday

We are part of the Benefice of Pershore, Pinvin, Wick & Birlingham.
When a month has a 5th Sunday, which happens 4 times a year, there will be a 10:30 service at one of the Benefice churches in rotation, for all 4 churches.

Please read Pinpoint, Abbey Bulletin', or Village Website for details.
<http://www.pinvin.org.uk/nicholas.html>

We regret that this isolated church cannot be left open. If you wish to visit please contact the office 01386 552071, who will direct you to a contact person who will enable you to visit St. Nicholas church.

Pershore Abbey & Benefice Office, Alveston House, 11 Broad Street Pershore WR10 1BB
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We are a committee run, charity pre-school caring for children in the local area from 2-4 years old. We also run wraparound care for both Pinvin First and St. Nicholas Middle schools which includes breakfast club and after school club. We strive to support the whole community, caring for the whole family and recognising and understanding the challenges families face. Our current focus is on healthy lifestyles; teaching children and families about the importance of good diet and physical exercise and how to achieve this, demonstrating a positive impact on both physical and emotional health.

We are planning to make very good use of the Coop Local Community Fund. We hope to provide weekly swimming sessions for pre-schoolers, team sports and a 'Balance ability' program with a trained coach, and (what we're most excited about) running a physical program for our children and residents within a local care home, building links between the generations and encouraging physical fitness at all stages in life.

Go online coop.co.uk/membership and make us your cause.



‘Nurturing hearts and minds on a path of possibilities’

Pinvin Community Pre-School

With Christmas fast approaching all of us here at Pre-School decided we wanted to celebrate together with a couple of events for the whole community.

Friday December 15th we will be holding an informal Christmas celebration at St Nicholas church Pinvin where we will sing some traditional carols and remember the Christmas story with the help of a representative from Pershore Abbey. Refreshments will be available including the odd mince pie or two! Please come and join us from 6pm onwards for this simple get together no matter what your age – you will be made very welcome.

Our second event will take place on Monday December 18th from 3pm – 5pm at Pershore Football Club and is a party for children of all ages. Face painting, games, crafts, disco and a present from Santa is included in the cost of £8 per child (accompanied by an adult – family discounts may be available) with craft stalls and refreshments at minimal extra cost. Pershore football club offers plenty of free parking so put this date in your diary and hope to see you on the 18th.

Please note that both these events are open to all no matter what age!

Any queries about any of the above please contact Hana on 07825578713 or email hanwinch@googlemail.com

Stay and play sessions

Every Wednesday from 9.15am to 11.15 come along for a coffee and a chat. We now have a designated area for you to meet other parents and make new friends. Children can play within the setting with plenty of activities on offer.

Cost £2 per family.

Please call in for more details or just pop along on the day. 01386 553600 or email pinvinpreschoolandasc@outlook.com

Nature notes

More of the trees and hedges have shed their remaining foliage, leaving the lignified form of the body of the plant to silhouette against the low sun. Hedges which once offered sanctuary from aerial predators now offer scant shelter. A sparrow hawk visits my garden and tries to reach small prey hiding in the slight length of evergreen thorns, hoping to break their courage into flying out in fear. It is more fearful itself when the window is rattled, and leaves the sparrows to their business, cheeping tunelessly to one another.

In the grazing fields, cow pats begin to disintegrate under the onslaught of birds seeking fly grubs, and from below beetles stealing marble sized portions for their family raising.

A wren investigates an old nestbox on the house wall, presumably for a winter shelter as it is too far from a favourable nesting season. Occasional flies squeeze into the angle between glass and window frame overnight, maybe it is a fraction of a degree less cold.

Frantic crashing against the garden fencing one night in the small hours must have been a disorientated deer unable to fathom the netting above the hedge until the garden light came on.

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CPR (cardio pulmonary resuscitation) and use of the defibrillator is quick and easy to learn and can make the difference between tragic and a happy outcome in cases of cardiac arrest.

Statistically speaking if you ever do have to perform CPR on another person, it will be someone you know - most likely a loved one.

That's because 88% of cardiac arrests occur in the home, if that's the case the only chance of survival your loved one has is YOU!

Calling 999 is crucial to get professional help on the way. However, for every minute that passes without early CPR and defibrillation there is a 10% drop in the chances of survival. Ambulances are targeted to reach people suffering a cardiac arrest within 8 minutes; nevertheless they may encounter challenges such as traffic congestion, difficult access, crowds, and travelling to remote areas which can delay their arrival on the scene. Time is the essence when treating a cardiac arrest.

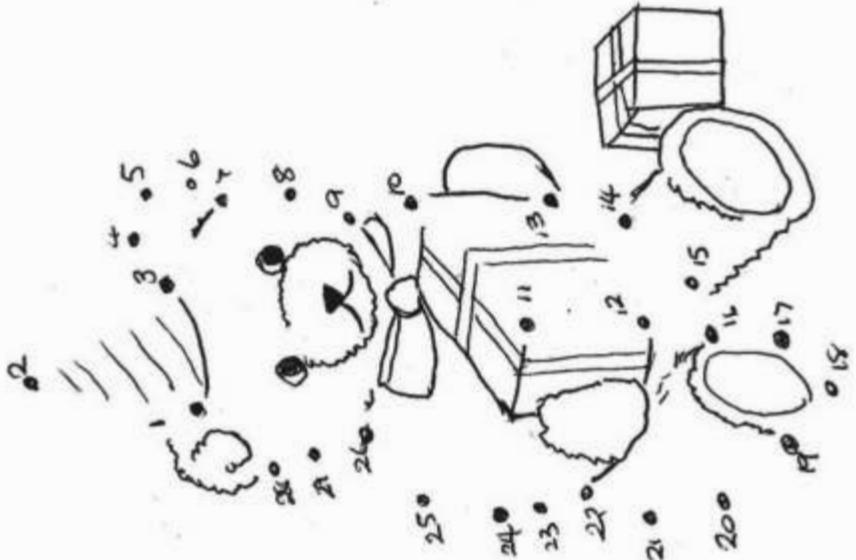
You don't have to take an in-depth CPR class to learn the basics of lifesaving.

We are fully qualified First Aid Trainers with West Midland Ambulance Service backgrounds and DBS certified. We will come to you in the comfort of your own home and leave knowing you have the confidence and ability to perform CPR and defibrillation in an emergency situation. Work commitments don't worry we will come weekends to suit you Fri -Sun am or pm. Training will last between 1-2 hours, all equipment provided even a defibrillator for you to practice. The charge is £20 per person

IT'S BETTER TO KNOW CPR AND NEVER USE IT, THAN TO NEED IT AND DON'T KNOW IT!

Michelle Lewis & Michael Burke PINVIN michellelewis1994@gmail.com 07955719011

Children's Corner



What's Cooking? **TRADITIONAL TRIFLE**

6 small sponge cakes or a Swiss roll cut into 6 slices

410 g /14 oz can of fruit cocktail

1 to 2 Tbsp sherry

568 ml / 1 pt custard home or ready made

To decorate- glace cherries or whipped cream

1. Slice sponge cakes or Swiss roll and place in the base of a large bowl.
2. Drain the juice from the fruit, mix with sherry and pour over the cake slices.
3. Spoon fruit onto cake and leave to soak for half an hour.
4. Make custard; allow to cool without allowing skin to form.
5. Pour custard over fruit and chill.
6. Decorate with cherries, or whip cream & pipe around the edge or spread over set custard.



CHRISTMAS EVE CAROL SERVICE **and CHRISTINGLE**

24th December at 5:00pm

Our usual family Carol service with the Children taking a leading part, setting up the baby Jesus Crib at the front of the Church.

This is the service when old and new villagers can get together after the service and talk, making new friendships over typical seasonal refreshments.

Finally we also send up a (large) firework Rocket in celebration of Christmas.



CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

25th December at 10:00am

A service to celebrate the birth of the baby Jesus the
saviour of all mankind.

ALL THE PEOPLE ON THE St NICHOLAS PCC WISH

ALL THE PINVIN VILLAGE PEOPLE

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FROM THE EDITOR

This month Parish News **PART TIME POSITION** on page 5, Church Services page 8,
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Merry Christmas & a very Happy New Year to everyone

We welcome contributions to Pinpoint. It is your newsletter. *William*
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Deadline 22nd January 2018 please !