

PINPOINT – THE NEWSLETTER FOR THE PEOPLE IN AND AROUND PINVIN

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Events on at our Church during December.

Sunday 2nd December – 3:00 pm

St Nicholas' Day Celebration

"A Journey Towards Christmas"

A concert of readings and music

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Sunday 16th December at 10:30 am will be the
normal Eucharist Communion service.

Monday 24th December – 5:00 pm

Christmas Eve

Carols and Christingle

Plus the Xmas Rocket,
Mulled Wine and Mince

Pies



This is a new feature to the Pinpoint; it's about people in our village-

In The Chair

In the Chair this week is **Debbie Phillips** (nee Mason)

For people who don't know you, what does your work involve?

My work involves running a Fruit & Veg stall in Pershore market, along with my sisters Mandy and Sandra.

It is a family business which has been going for 42 years started by my wonderful parents Ken & Jen Mason.

You and your family have lived in the village all your life, what are the biggest changes you have seen from when you were a little girl?

When I was a young girl there were a few more facilities in the village than there is now. A Butchers shop was at the top of Owl-etts End. There was a shop by the Church where they sold their own produce. My Gran had a shop in her outhouse. There were 3 Shops, 3 Pubs and the Royal British Legion club in the village.

Do you enjoy a particular style of music in general or have you a favourite singer/musician?

My favourite singer is Rod Stewart, but I also like all kinds of music.

When you were small did you enjoy singing/join a Choir – do you have a favourite hymn you enjoy singing?

I used to sing in the choir at Church, my favourite hymns are, We plough the Fields and Scatter and Amazing Grace which my sisters and cousin's and I sang in Pinvin Church at our Grans funeral (Her request).

What part do you think music plays in worship?

Music is a big part of Worship, it is what people expect in Church, Although not everyone joins in the singing.

Do you ever get involved in church activities of any kind?

I am part of the Flower Rota for the church. _____



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

From Claire Lording, our Vicar

Dear Friends

By the time you receive this edition of Pinpoint many of you will probably be a long way down your list of what you need to do before the celebrations of Christmas Day arrive. I get there in the end but the anxiety that I'm going to run out of time never quite leaves me!

The time of Advent, those four weeks before Christmas, are there to help us. It's a time of preparation. We are encouraged to think about all those practical things and all our lists, but we're also invited to think about what Christmas might mean for us before we eat our turkey, sprouts and mice pies, before we open and share our presents, and before we enjoy our family and friends.

Many people will enjoy all of those things and we certainly do in the Church. In Church we also try to think about how amazing it is that God wanted to be with us all that he sent his Son as a human baby. The most incredible way of saying that God loves us and wants us to love him too. And part of celebrating that love is definitely to have lots of celebrations at home and in church, but to also take the time to think about how we can love others.

Reverse Advent Calendars are a great way of doing this. From 1st December, instead of opening a calendar door and enjoying a chocolate, you put something Christmassy in a box and when the box is full the contents can be donated to Pershore Foodbank for their Christmas hampers. If you want to take part in this, Pershore Foodbank would appreciate any items being delivered to drop off points or St Andrew's Centre by the middle of December.

Then the next challenge is to see if we can keep this Christmas message going by continuing to donate food items to a food bank next year.

May everyone, wherever they are, have a Christmas and New Year full of celebration and love.

Claire



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FROM THE EDITOR

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We welcome contributions to Pinpoint.
It is your newsletter.

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**Deadline for February is
20th January 2019 please !**

Notes from Pinvin Parish Council



**The next Pinvin Parish Council meeting is on
Tuesday 4th December
at 7.30 pm at Pinvin Memorial Hall**

Clerk to Pinvin Parish Council: Carole Hirst
Parish Office
1a Church Walk, Stourport on Severn DY13 0AL
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4 Abbey View Road

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10 Throckmorton

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PCSO 40162 Tinkler

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December	2 nd	3 pm	St Nicholas Day celebration:- "A Journey to Christmas" A concert of readings and music by St Georges' Ladies Choir Refreshments
December	16 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion
December	24 th	5.pm	Crib & Christingle Service <i>with refreshments suitable for all ages</i>
December	30 th	10.30 am	Benefice Service in Pershore Abbey

Services in January 2019

January	16 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion
January	20 th	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
01386 552071 - office@pershoreabbey.org.uk www.pershoreabbey.org.uk

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Any members of the church Electoral Role can be elected to be part of the PCC. Any villager can help with the running of the church in many different ways, so please come and see how YOU could join in.

St. Nicholas Church-Parochial Church Council

Vicar-	Rev Claire Lording	01386 552071
Churchwarden	Hilary Roffey	01386 556629
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Treasurers	Sheila Dobell & Clive Kately	
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Committee Members	Stella Elliott, Claire James, Richard Collyer	

Should any of the Pinvin Villagers like to attend or be part of the PCC, please contact any of the above people.

General Enquiries should be directed to the Parish Office at

11 Broad Street, Pershore WR10 1BB Tel 01386 552071

Social Car Scheme drivers urgently required.

Are you a car owner? Do you have a few hours to spare? – flexible times/days to suit you

We are looking for additional volunteer drivers for our social car scheme which provides a service for local people who cannot travel to hospital, medical or other appointments. Fuel expenses are covered.

Interested then please drop in for a chat, we are near to the market in Pershore. **Contact Information:**

Pershore and District Volunteer Centre, 1 Billing House, Pershore WR10 1EY.

volunteering@pershorevolunteers.org.uk, phone 01386 554299

Search begins for talented youngsters with the W Factor

The wonder of the W Factor is back again for another year as Wychavon District Council searches for the most talented young people in the district. Open auditions are now just two months away and will take place on Thursday 17 January at the Civic Centre in Pershore from 5.30pm.

The W Factor is open to performers and artists aged 11-18 (on 31 August 2019), that live in Wychavon. Participants can showcase their skills in such categories as dance, drama, music, singing (solo or in a group), DJ and Music Production and comedy.

The selected finalists will get to perform at the Number 8 Arts Centre in Pershore in a professional showcase final with industry standard production facilities on Monday 18 March 2019.

The final in 2018 saw 16 young people from across Wychavon compete in front of family and friends for the accolade of being crowned a winner in one of the five categories.

The winners will also get training from professional artists to help them develop and they will be able to perform at local events throughout the summer of 2019.

Anyone wanting to come to an audition will need to fill out an application form. These are available online from www.wychavon.gov.uk/events-training-and-workshops along with a photo consent form.

Pinvin Community Preschool



‘Nurturing hearts and minds on a path of possibilities’

Parent Group

“Talk it laugh it and sharing it together” is our tag line for the parent group held every Tuesday here in the setting between 2pm and 3pm. We understand that parenting can sometimes be difficult with no instruction manual so this is an opportunity for parents and children to meet, chat and share experiences together in a friendly casual environment where the kids can play and join in with the Preschool activities as they wish. Everyone is welcome and refreshments are available with no need to book, just turn up, we will be very happy to see you.

Father Christmas visit

We are very excited to announce that Father Christmas will be coming to visit us in the village on Tuesday 11th December. As he is very busy at this time of year he has not yet confirmed what time he will arrive but we will give you further details in due course, you can also visit our Facebook page (community of Pinvin) for all the latest Preschool and village news.

Nativity Play

Our annual Nativity play will take place at St. Nicholas church Pinvin on Friday 21st December at 6pm. We intend to add our own “twist” to the performance so please come along and see what we come up with this year! Refreshments will be available so please come along to help us celebrate Christmas.

Co-op loyalty card

Do you have a Co-op loyalty card? Did you know that with the card you receive 5% back on all Co-op branded goods purchased and 1% back for local charities? Pinvin Preschool has benefited from this scheme, last year receiving £6000 due to card holders choosing us as their designated charity. This year we would like to try and raise funds for our After School club which caters for up to 25 children aged from 2 years to 12 years each school day. To help with this you can choose them as your designated charity by going to your on line Co-op account and making your selection. Your support would be much appreciated.

Christmas holiday and holiday club

Term ends on Friday 21st December and we return on Tuesday January 8th. Holiday club will be open on Monday 7th please contact us for further information. Please accept our best wishes for Christmas and the New Year

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Nature Notes

After an unusually mild autumn, the leaves of most deciduous trees and bushes have finally fallen , providing a protective shield on the ground for small bulbs and other spring herbage from the cold to come. Gardeners can be too tidy from the wildlife's view, removing shelter and food items.

I discovered a robin in a winter hanging basket one evening after dusk, tucked away in a shelter safe from predators. So far no residents seen using any of the nest boxes as night accommodation.

Small clusters of assorted finches gather to chirrup about the days forays for seeds, looking like musical scores on the electricity lines. Passing by is the relatively huge form of a grey heron, flapping slowly towards a taller roof to use as a vantage point to look for any tempting water to investigate(Garden ponds maybe?)

Rowan trees retain an attractive crop of waxy looking berries, may be of interest to redwings, which have not appeared as yet, but will as the temperature drops. Mistle thrushes are already present in the fields, with their rather raucous chiding tones when they are displeased about something. The odd squirrel is on patrol for titbits off the bird table, and hedgehogs still snuffle about while the frost stays away.

Even though there is little rain there is plenty of mole activity, after earthworms which pull fallen leaves underground to digest. Blackbirds in the morning half light feast on worms late to return to their burrows.

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4. Top the fruit with two scoops of ice cream, then drizzle the raspberry puree over the ice cream.
5. Decorate each glass with the remaining strawberries and kiwi fruit.
6. Top with mint sprigs if used and serve.

Children's Corner



- 1 = Blue
- 2 = Red
- 3 = Brown
- 4 = Grey
- 5 = Black
- 6 = Pink
- 7 = Orange
- 8 = Lilac

Colour in the Snowman by following the numbers

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

In The Chair

(continued from page 2)

When you are not working, how do you like to relax?

When I'm not working I like nothing more than reading a good book.

What's your favourite film?

My favourite film in the Green Mile with Tom Hanks

Do you read the Pinpoint and find it of use to you, is there any further topics you would like in the magazine.

I read the Pinpoint and have found it useful sometimes. It could do with some more content, but I'm not sure what – I will have a think about that one.

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Many thanks to Debbie for being the very first person to take part in this

new item "In The Chair", we are hoping to continue this section

Parish News

As you may be aware formal consultation on Worcestershire's Library Service's Transformation Programme has commenced. The consultation launched on 29 October 2018 and will run for over 90 days, taking into account Christmas and New Year, ending on 2 February 2019 It will include engagement with community groups and partners with the aim of: encouraging more involvement in the direct provision of library services•The consultation is aimed at all Worcestershire residents and approaches will be taken to encourage responses from residents who are not library customers and from groups who are less likely to respond.

Pinvin Playing Fields major fencing works were completed in October.

Worcestershire County Council has set up a Bus Scrutiny Task Group. *'to investigate the current bus and community/alternative transport provision, including the availability of transport at crucial times of day to get to work, to school or college, to medical appointments and for shopping'*.

Road Works on Station Road

The work and hold-ups on Station Road are long lasting. The work is being done by Persimmons' contractors to carry out the infrastructure work required to meet their planning conditions – drainage, utilities, pedestrian crossing and traffic lights and reshaping the carriageway and footways around the Wyre Road junction. Work for the two Taylor Wimpey sites also means some digging up of the road for utilities etc.

The planning application for the improvements at Pinvin Crossroads will be submitted in December. • It marks the beginning of the long awaited "Northern Link" project that creates a new route into Pershore, linking Abbey View roundabout over the railway to the roundabout at KeyTec7 and on down Wyre Road to Station Road. • That planning applications will follow in Feb/March of the New Year.

Wordsearch to Print - The Poor Man's Earl

Think of Piccadilly Circus, and that small statue of the angel poised with bow and arrow. Most people think it stands for Eros. It is in fact a memorial to the greatest Christian Victorian philanthropist, politician and social reformer of his generation – Lord Shaftesbury.

Anthony Ashley Cooper, the 7th Earl of Shaftesbury (1801 – 1885) was a devout Christian Member of Parliament who spent his life fighting to help ease the miserable conditions in lunatic asylums, to stop the practice of forcing young children to be chimney sweeps, to stop children working in factories below the age of 10, to stop women and children going in the mines at all, to stop opium addiction, and to provide Ragged Schools for children without any means of education. On the day of his funeral at Westminster Abbey, tens of thousands of poor Londoners thronged the streets to see his coffin go by. He was much loved as The Poor Man's Earl.

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