



'Sparklers' for those under school age
Sparklers is now happening in the hall every
Sunday except the first Sunday in the month.



**If you know of anyone who is ill, at home or in
Hospital or has been missing from church for a
few weeks**, could you please contact Alison on
01493 656948 and she will arrange for someone to visit.



PRAYER REQUESTS. Please put names on the Prayer
Board, so that we can pray for the people concerned during
the services. May we ask you please to date the cards so that
we can monitor the requests. Please use the cards whenever
you need us to pray for you or a loved one.



**If you would like a lift to church services, please
contact Keith Nicholls on 01493 601736**

Church Phones Hall 07548928631 Church 07548952804
Chris 01493 663219 Sue and Martin 01493 668184
Matthew 01493 298313

PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for all who live on Grebe Close, Pintail Drive and
Browston Lane.

Please pray for musicians who worship at St Nicholas Bradwell
especially in this busy Christmas season.

Thank God for the dedication and skill of those who are researching
possible cures for the most distressing and debilitating conditions.
Ask God to reveal His solutions to the problems they face and
enable them to develop ethically sound treatments that can
transform patients' lives.

Items for future "News in the Pews" need to be given, or sent by e-mail to
Sue sue-upton@talk21.com By Wednesday of each week please



ST NICHOLAS
Bradwell

SUNDAY 11th DECEMBER 2016

Third Sunday of Advent

God for whom we watch and wait,
you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son:
give us courage to speak the truth,
to hunger for justice,
and to suffer for the cause of right,
with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

8.00 Holy Communion

James 5:7-11p 1216
John 5:31-40 p 1069

*9.50 Prayer for the service in front of the organ,
all are welcome to come to pray.*

10.00 Family Communion

Isaiah 35:1-10 p 720
Matthew 11:2-11 p 976

6.30 Evening Prayer

James 5:7-11p 1216
John 5:31-40 p 1069

**We extend a warm welcome to any visitors today.
We invite you to join us after the 10.00 am service
for refreshments in the Hall**

Website: www.stnicholasbradwell.co.uk



News in the Pews

>>THIS WEEK<<

Monday	6.00 pm	Rainbow Carols in Church
Tuesday	1.45 pm 8.00 pm	Little Pearls in the hall Digging Deeper at the Rectory
Wednesday	9.00 am 10.00 am 12.30 6.30 pm	Holy Communion in the hall Church open until 1.00 Pop Pin in the hall Friendship Lunch in the hall Scouts Carol Service in church
Thursday	7.30 pm	Digging Deeper at 27, Curlew Way
Friday	2.40 pm 6.30 pm	Funeral at the Crematorium of Hilary Simmons of Gainsborough Ave Impact at the Rectory
Saturday	4.00 pm	Bluebell Meadow Community Carols

NEXT SUNDAY – 18th DECEMBER

8.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION
10.00 am	MORNING WORSHIP
4.00 & 7.00 pm	CAROL SERVICES

COFFEE AT 10.00 SERVICE

Joan and Jo

December Dates

Monday 19 th	ATC Carol service
Thursday 22 nd	Kings Drive Community Carols at 6.00 pm outside 40 Kings Drive
Saturday 24 th	Nativity Service at 3.00 Christmas Eve Communion at 11.30

Carol Services next week

Please can we ask for donations of mince pies to serve after both the 4.00 and 7.00 services.

Gift Day

The amount raised so far is £2,445, though we hope that that figure will still rise!

The good news is that it should mean that we can cover *this years* costs to the end of **November**, but will still be short of the £4,500 for our final payment of the year on our Parish Share.

Organist

We announce the sad news that Shirley has decided that now is the time to relinquish her role as organist. We thank her for the many, many years that she has fulfilled this role and hope that there will be a time to thank her more formally in the New Year. Shirley has said that her last service as organist will be Christmas Day.

Christmas Fayre

The total raised so far is £564. Thanks to all who helped to make this such a successful event.

Christmas Cards

If you are using the post box this year please remember to put surnames on your cards, and that the box is for church family cards only!

The PCC has decided that the Christmas Appeal for Embrace the Middle East '**Help refugees this winter**' will be our charity for the Christmas season, so money from the communal Christmas cards and from the Christmas service collections will go to this appeal. Do look at their website for far more details than can be given here. www.embraceme.org They are looking to distribute winter survival kits to help ease the suffering of refugee families – they estimate that each kit for a family costs about £20, so between us we should be able to provide many kits.

Flowers

If anyone would like to arrange church flowers for Christmas, or make a donation towards providing them, please speak to Winn, who will be very grateful.