

St Leonard's Church Ryton-on-Dunsmore: Newsletter for December 2016- January 2017

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SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE: DECEMBER 2016 – JANUARY 2017

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
December 4: Second Sunday of Advent.	11.00 a.m: Holy Communion	10.00 a.m: Village Service.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.
Thursday, December 8 Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary			6.30 p.m: Holy Communion with visiting choir <i>Musica Sacra.</i>
December 11: Third 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.
December 18: Fourth 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. 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>	11.30 p.m: Midnight Mass.	5.00 p.m: Crib Service <i>for children and their families.</i> 11.30 p.m: Midnight Mass.

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
December 25: Christmas Day	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion 11.00 a.m: Holy Communion.		9.30 a.m: Family Communion.
January 1 Circumcision and Naming of Jesus	11.00 a.m: Holy Communion	10.00 a.m: Village Service.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.
January 6 The Epiphany			7.30 p.m: Holy Communion.
January 8 The Baptism of the Lord/For the Epiphany	For the Epiphany 6.30 p.m: Evensong	For the Epiphany 10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m: Village Worship
January 15 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 22 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.
January 29 Epiphany 4/ For the Presentation. (Candlemas) 5th Sunday in the month: United Benefice Service			9.30 a.m: United Benefice Parish Communion
Thursday, February 2 The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)			7.30 p.m: Holy Communion.

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
February 5 Fourth Sunday before Lent	11.00: Holy Communion	10.00: Village Service (Christingle)	9.30: Parish Communion 6.30: Evensong

**At Ryton: EVERY WEDNESDAY except December 14 and January 11:
9.20 a.m: Holy Communion.
December 14 and January 11: 11.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.**



Carol singing- all welcome!



Barbara Marsh writes: This year for Carol Singing we will be meeting at the bottom of Church Rd at 6.30pm on Monday 19th December in aid of Action Medical Research. All welcome to join in! (Can children please be accompanied by an adult). Song sheets will be provided but please dress up warmly and bring a torch if possible. We will sing along Church Rd, Fetherston Cresc, High St and then Holly Drive etc. ending at 99 High St for refreshments!

Last year we collected over £250 - a big thank you to everyone who supported the carol singing!

Saturday, November 26: Christmas Coffee Morning and Bazaar.



Very many thanks to Suzie Bargewell and to the many people who helped to make our Christmas Bazaar such a pleasant and successful event: those who donated wine and other goods to sell and for competition prizes, those who manned the stalls, and those who came along to support us. And of course, to Father Christmas for finding time in his busy schedule to pay us a visit!

Amount raised not yet finalised: will be announced in the February Newsletter.

The Bells of St. Leonard's.

It has been wonderful to hear our bellringers gaining confidence and going from strength to strength as they ring for our services. Thank you to one and all. If you would like to try your hand at ringing the bells, please come and join us on a Monday evening at 7.30 p.m.

Thank you to John, Tim and Mike, to all who have volunteered to ring- and to those who are intending to do so.



Decorating the Church for Christmas: A message from Janet Smith.

For those who would like to help with Christmas Flowers: There will be a Working Party on December 17th, from 10.00 a.m. onwards. Tel 02476306224.

Thursday, December 8th, 6.30 p.m: Visiting Choir returns to St Leonard's.



Members of guest choir *Musica Sacra* will again be coming to St Leonard's, and will be joined by members of the Ryton Augmented Choir, to sing for our service on Thursday, December 8th, the feast day of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The organist will again be Ruth Smith, whose skill on the organ has delighted us on previous occasions, and there will be wine, Buck's Fizz, cheese scones and other refreshments after the service.

Do come and join us.

!! PLEASE NOTE START TIME: 6.30 p.m., NOT 7.30. as for most weekday evening services!!

Message from Betty Page and Ros Gilkes.



We would like to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas. We will not be sending Christmas cards this year, instead we will be making a donation to St Leonards Church. Love and best wishes to all'



St Leonard's Church



Services & Events Christmas 2016

Sunday 11 December
at 9.30 am Christmas Village Workshop & Worship



Sunday 18 December
at 9.30 am Parish Communion
& at 4.30 pm Carols by Candlelight

Saturday 24 December
at 5.00 pm Crib Service
& at 11.30 pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
at 9.30 am Holy Communion

Saturday 10 December - Candlelit Christmas Concert - *see whole page ad for details*

Friday 23 December - **Ryton Mummers** will perform the Ryton on Dunsmore Mumming play in the pubs and clubs of Ryton, Baginton and Bubbenhall, raising funds for the churches in all three villages.

Contact The Rev'd David Wintle for details - call 024 7630 1283 or email dandfwintle@gmail.com



Regular services at St Leonard's:

1st and 3rd Sundays 9.30 am Parish Communion with Sunday School followed by coffee and biscuits in the church centre. 6.30 pm Evensong

2nd Sunday 8.00 am Holy Communion,
9.30 am Village Worship -activities, games, coffee and chat
in the Church Centre followed by a short service in church.

4th Sunday 9.30 am Family Service followed by coffee and biscuits
in the Church Centre. 6.30 pm Holy Communion



St Leonard's Church, Ryton on Dunsmore

Saturday 10th December 2016

- at 7.30 pm

Candlelit

Christmas Concert

with Carols

Warwickshire Baroque

Director - Eddie Jones

Leader - Michael Williamson

A selection of Christmas Music
and Carols for all to sing

**Tickets £7.50 (to include wine/fruit juice & nibbles)
from The Rev'd David Wintle, 024 7630 1283**

Get Ready for Christmas ...



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

9.30 - 11.00 am

**Sunday
11 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!

Ladies' Guild

On Thursday, December 1st, at 7.00 p.m. in the Village Hall, we have our Christmas Party for Ryton Senior Citizens and our guests.

Our meeting on Thursday, January 5th, 2017, will be in the Church Centre at 7.45 . p.m. "Knickers and Nighties" is the title of the talk to be given by Mrs. E. Smitham.

Flower Rota

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Pulpit</u>
December 11	In memory of Bob Cowell	
Dec. 18 and Christmas Day	Christmas decoration of church. Please contact Janet Smith on 02476306224 with offers of donations towards the cost, and/ or help with the decorating.	
January 15	In memory of Frank Wright	Flower arrangements by Ros
February 5	In memory of Jack Hathaway	
February 19	In memory of Frederick and Wyn Smith	

Thank you!- a message from Janet Smith.

Janet writes: "A BIG thank you for all the cards, messages and gifts that I received on the quick trip to and stay in hospital. No time to think then, lots of time to think since. Your kindnesses are very much appreciated, thank you again, love, Janet."

Children at St Leonard's.

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 is more formal, and on the second and fourth Sundays, when 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.

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.



Church Floodlighting

December 21	In memory of Gordon Craig.
December 24	In memory of "Knocker" Gilkes
December 26	In memory of the Revd. J. Trevor Sykes
December 27	In memory of Joseph Edward Lomasney (Ted)
December 28	In memory of Mr. and Mrs. Lissaman
January 1	In memory of Sally Parke
January 2	In memory of Jim Glover
January 10	In memory of Doris Backholler



On Friday 23 December

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.

Ryton Evergreens 50 + Club

06-12-2016	Christmas Dinner at Stoneleigh Deer Park, followed by entertainment.
20-12-2016	Christmas Cards and Mince Pies.
03-01-2017	To be arranged.
17-01-2017	To be arranged.

Our meetings are held in the Village Hall on the first and third Tuesdays of every month from 1.45pm to 3.45pm.

New members are welcome. Please contact John Loudon [02476301269](tel:02476301269)

We use the village mini bus to our meetings in the Village Hall.

We are desperate for volunteer drivers for our fortnightly meetings and occasional out for meals and shopping trips.

Please can you help!!!

Churchyard Tidy-Up

A BIG THANK YOU to the Tidy-up team for all their hard work during 2016.

The team continue to meet on the first Saturday of each month during the autumn and winter. There are always jobs to do if the weather is kind to us - cleaning seats, clearing paths, pruning etc. If you can spare an hour to help please come along. Tools and refreshments are provided.



Mrs. Gill White has for many years delivered the Church newsletter to parishioners who are not able to receive it by email or on-line.

Our most sincere thanks to her as she steps down from this role.

If anyone would be able to volunteer to take on this task, (delivering about 8 copies month by month to houses in the High Street) please get in touch with Edna Ridges on 02476 306590 or with Gill White on 02476 303992.

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.

From the Church Register:



On November 20th , in St Leonard's Church, the baptism of:-

Elle Mae Lee
Roxanne Lee
Roman Doyle
Selina Doyle

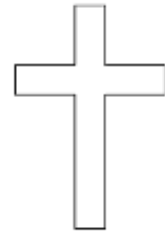
Ivy Lee
Dancer Lee
Tommy Doyle

Nicole Lee
Analise Lee
Isaiah Doyle

Jesus said: "Let the children come to me."

On November 21st in St Leonard's Church, the Burial of Ashes of
Pamela Busby

On November 23rd in St Leonard's Church, the Funeral of
Norah Ellis.



May they rest in peace.

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 3rd and Saturday, January 7th.**



On December 3, 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 all those who are helping in this popular venture.

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 mobilelibraryservice@warwickshire.gov.uk.

“It’s so great that we can still use the library”



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**

.... and finally... Christmas safety notices



1. All members of the congregation planning to dash through the snow in a one horse open sleigh, going over the fields and laughing all the way are advised that a Risk Assessment will be required addressing the safety of an open sleigh for members of the public.

This assessment must also consider whether it is appropriate to use only one horse for such a venture, particularly where there are multiple passengers. Please note that permission must also be obtained in writing from landowners before their fields may be entered.

2. To avoid offending those not participating in celebrations, we would request that laughter is moderate only and not loud enough to be considered a noise nuisance..... -->

3. Benches, stools and orthopaedic chairs are now available for collection by any shepherds planning or required to watch their flocks by night.

While provision has also been made for remote monitoring of flocks by CCTV cameras from a centrally heated shepherd observation hut, all users of this facility are reminded that an emergency response plan must be submitted to account for known risks to the flocks.



4. The angel of the Lord is reminded that, prior to shining his/her glory all around, s/he must confirm that all shepherds are wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment to account for the harmful effects of UVA, UVB and the overwhelming effects of Glory.

5. Following last year's well-publicised case, everyone is advised that Equal Opportunities legislation prohibits any comment with regard to the redness of any part of Mr R Reindeer. Further to this, exclusion of Mr R Reindeer from reindeer games will be considered discriminatory and disciplinary action will be taken against those found guilty of this offence.



6. While it is acknowledged that gift bearing is a common practice in various parts of the world, particularly the Orient, everyone is reminded that the bearing of gifts is subject to Hospitality Guidelines and all gifts must be registered. This applies regardless of the individual, even royal personages. It is particularly noted that direct gifts of currency or gold are specifically precluded, while caution is advised regarding other common gifts such as aromatic resins that may evoke allergic reactions.

7. Finally, in the recent instance of the infant found tucked up in a manger without any crib for a bed, Social Services have been advised and will be arriving shortly.

Happy Christmas! Rosemary.



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- Less work for our committed band of volunteer deliverers, (to whom we are most grateful)
- Easier to read.
- No charge.
- Email version often contains material which there wasn't room for in the printed version, e.g. pictures, cartoons, jokes...
- Environmentally friendly if you choose not to print it out, instead saving it to refer to when you want to.
- Rosemary's email is rosiking2963@gmail.com If you would like to receive the newsletter by email, but aren't yet on the recipients' list, please just get in touch.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER BY
JANUARY 20th PLEASE!