



News Headlines

Traditional Carol Services – Sunday 14th December (4.30pm and 7.00pm)

Come and join us for a traditional carol service, with songs, choir, a short message, videos and poetry.

Please note there will be no 11.15am or 6.30pm services today.

Alpha Course Starts 21st January 2026

A different kind of hope. Wednesday evenings 7.30pm – 9.30pm in St John's Hall. Email alpha@kpc.org.uk or call 01564 779123.

Please be thinking and praying about who you could invite to try Alpha.

Invite Your Friends and Neighbours this Christmas

Christmas is a brilliant time to invite someone to church. Invitation flyers are available from the back of church - perfect to pop through a letterbox or hand to a friend.

Sunday 14th December

7.45am Holy Communion Geoff Lanham *Isaiah 35: 1-10, Matthew 11: 2-11*

9.30am Family Service Rod Street *Isaiah 35: 1-10, James 5: 7-10*

4.30pm Traditional Carol Service

7pm Traditional Carol Service

Please pray for...

Deb Dubar who is still bedbound and making slow progress; she appreciates your continued prayer.

Charlotte Barber's father, **Roger Barber**, awaiting the results of tests for cancer.

Kay Laird, awaiting results from X-rays on her knee

Please pray for all those at home and isolating at this time due to infection risks, including **Janet Stewart** and **Susan Johnson**.

The week ahead SJH = St John's Hall. LGH = lower Guild House. UGH = upper Guild House YO = Youth Office

The Week Ahead

Monday 15th December

7.30pm Bell-ringing practice

Tuesday 16th December

9.15am Arden Christmas Service (Year 11)

9.15am Rainbow Tots session 1 (SJH)

10.45am Rainbow Tots session 2 (SJH)

6.30pm Music group rehearsal

Wednesday 17th December

9.15am Arden Christmas Service (Year 8)

10.00am Holy Communion 'The other baby' Luke 1:57-80 (LGH)

2.00pm Renew Café (LGH)

3.30pm Year 9 Girls' craft club (YO)

Thursday 18th December

6.45am The Waiting Room Prayer Group (SJH)

9.15am Arden Christmas Service (Year 7)

10.00am New Horizons (LGH)

12 noon Let's Pray for Revival (LGH)

12.30pm Friendship Club lunch (SJH)

2.15pm Knowle Academy KS2 Carol Service

5.00pm Youth Christmas Party (SJH)

7.30pm Choir Practice

Friday 19th December

10.30am Funeral of Elaine Lynch

Saturday 20th December

10.00am Cobbles Café (LGH)

10.00am Pre-School Nativity (SJH)

12.30pm Wedding of Lucy Bugg and Kiam Atkinson

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Young Families Pre-School Nativity Service – Saturday 20th December 10.00am

To book your place please email sarah.chapman@kpc.org.uk

The KPC Youth Christmas Party Thursday 18th December 5-7pm. Contact Ros.hardy@kpc.org.uk to book.

Thank you to the Flower Guild for decorating the church so beautifully for Christmas.

Thank you also to Santa's Fields for donating the Christmas tree in church.

New appointment

We are delighted to announce the appointment of Mark Prescott as the new Facilities Manager at KPC. Mark will join us on 5 January 2026 and will have a few days overlap with Gareth, who will be retiring on 14 January. If you would like to contribute to a leaving gift for Gareth, please could you either drop your contribution through the Parish Office letter box in an envelope marked 'Gift for Gareth' (any cheques payable to Knowle PCC) or make a bank transfer to this account:

Payee*: Knowle Parochial Church Council.

Sort Code: 40-26-22.

Account Number: [01094610](#) (please put 'GarethGift' as a reference).

(*Note – when you are asked for the full account name, you may need to enter 'Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Knowle Solihull' which is KPC's legal name)

Advent display in church - there is an Advent display on the wall at the rear of the north aisle in church which you may find interesting or helpful. Do take a look!

December/January edition of our Parish Magazine is out now!

For people wanting to subscribe to the magazine, please email magazine.subscriptions@kpc.org.uk. £10 for 10 editions for the year (half the price of buying in the shops). Free local delivery. to Knowle, Dorridge and Bentley Heath.

Singers are welcome to join St John's Choir at Solihull Hospital on **Friday 19th December** to sing carols round the wards from 2pm to 3.30pm. Please let David Pickering (07867 537360) know if you plan to join us.

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