

CANDLEMAS

Winter is coming to an end, small signs show that Spring is on its way. St. John's Church is celebrating Candlemas on Sun 5th Feb - 10am. You are invited to come at 10am to join in this special service.



Candlemas in the Christian calendar is a threshold time, celebrating Jesus' presentation at the temple. It's also a time when the Celtic Spring (Imbolc) is celebrated and that St. Bride is remembered.

Candles are lit to remember the past and to look forward :- remember someone in our life that has died; celebrate babies and children coming into the world; mark our birth day each year on birthday cakes; show a time of prayer when we think about others; help us relax and meditate our body and mind.



St. John's invites you to remember people in your life, or people around the world.

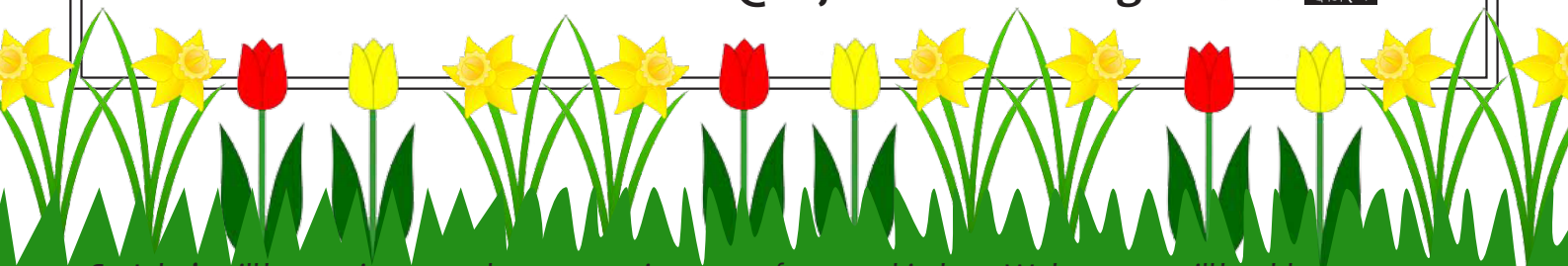
We are asking you to
pay £1 for a candle to be lit in church on Sun 5th Feb
for someone you remember.

You will get a tag to write on who your candle is for.
Tags will be part of a display in church
which will then come to St. John's Centre.

You will receive a bulb planted in a recycled pot
- this can be taken home for your garden
or left at St. John's to be looked after and planted.

All money raised will go towards getting a new kitchen for St. John's Centre

To sponsor a candle speak to Elaine at St. Johns Centre
- call **0161 872 7795**
or email **elaine@stjohnscentre.org**



St. John's will be running several events to raise money for a new kitchen. We hope you will be able to support us by taking part in these events in whatever way you can. Giving money, or time, or resources are all important to St. John's - thank you. We hope your involvement will make you feel positive about our community and about yourself.