

All Saints Church, Bromsgrove
13th December 2020
3rd Sunday of Advent



10.30 am Holy Communion at All

Saints led by Rev. David Ford. This service will be relayed on Zoom.

To follow the service on Zoom you will need the Service for Holy Communion in Advent and the “Red” Reading Sheet, both for 13th December. If you are joining on Zoom, you may like to have wine and bread available for the Communion.

Take part on zoom using <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2474115267>

Meeting ID: 247 411 5267

If you don't have a computer or a tablet you can use a phone to join the Zoom services. Listen in by telephone using one of these numbers:

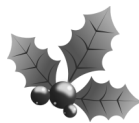
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If you don't succeed, try one of the other numbers.

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3.00 pm There is the Christmas Soirée at All Saints' for the congregations of St Godwald's and All Saints.



Come and join in some Christmas fun and laughter at the Christmas soirée. This service is for everyone from both All Saints' and St Godwald's and on this Gaudate Sunday will be a light-hearted lead up to Christmas, in a socially distanced way with masks, of course.

This is an opportunity to wear your Christmas jumpers & festive headgear! Bring family and friends (while those in your household can sit with you, friends will have to socially distance.) Pam Rosewarne.

December and New Year Services
at All Saints and St Godwald's and on Zoom

(Don't forget to take your mask!)

Sunday 13th December

Advent 3

9am	St Godwald's	Holy Communion BCP
10.30am	All Saints	Holy Communion (also on zoom)
10.30am	St Godwald's	Morning Worship
3pm	All Saints	Christmas Soirée (see separate sheet)

Wednesday 16th December

6pm	All Saints Hall	Advent Spiral (Details later)
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Sunday 20th December Advent 4

8am	All Saints	Holy Communion
10.30am	St Godwald's	Holy Communion (also on zoom)
6pm	All Saints	9 Lessons and Carols

Christmas Eve (Thursday 24th December)

3-5pm	St Godwald's	Drop-in Nativity (see pages 7 and 8)
11.30pm	All Saints	Midnight (also on zoom)

Christmas Day (Friday 25th December)

9.30am	St Godwald's	Holy Communion (also on zoom)
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Sunday 27th December Christmas 1

10.30am	St Godwald's	Morning Worship
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Sunday 3rd January Christmas 2

8am	All Saints	Holy Communion
10.30am	St Godwald's	Holy Communion (also on zoom)
4pm	Zoom	Taizé Service

A prayer during Advent

This Advent, Lord, come to the manger of my heart. Fill me with your presence from the very start. As I prepare for the holiday and the gifts to be given, remind me of the gift you gave - your son. The first Christmas gift, the greatest gift ever. You came as a baby born in a manger. Amen.



Volunteers for reading and prayers during services

Please tell David if you could read or lead prayers for any services.

Requests for Prayers:

If you would like someone included on the Parish Prayer list (*and have their permission to do so*) please send details to Geoff Westwood geoff.westwood@hotmail.co.uk by the 21st of each month and also to Rev. David Ford. Each name will then be included for the following month only. We are keeping the prayer list up to date. To find the list see: https://bromsgroveparish.org.uk/Groups/338679/Prayer_requests.aspx
This list can be used during intercessions. Thank you.

All Saints opening for Private Prayer during December:

All Saints' Church will open for Private Prayer from 11.00 am to 12 noon on Mondays, on 14th and 21st December. Masks must be worn and safe-distancing will be necessary.



Worcester Cathedral opening during December:

The Cathedral will be open:
Monday to Saturday 11.00 am to 3.00 pm; Sunday 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm.
The Cloister Café will open for Takeaway until 4th December and thereafter will be fully open Monday to Saturday 11.00 am to 3.00 pm.
The Cathedral Shop will be open.

Returning Children's Society Boxes—it is getting urgent!

It is the time for Children's Society Boxes to be emptied before the end of the year. Please be generous—the need is very great this year and there is no Christingle service to raise additional funds.
Boxes may be left in Church on Monday 7th or 14th December between 11.00 and 12 noon or can be collected by Helen Waller by appointment.
Please phone Helen on 01527 875521.

Zoom services after Christmas:

Until now the broadcasting of services on zoom has depended entirely on David and Liz but with the purchase of two sets of 'kit', one for each church, this need no longer be the case.

From January to Easter we will have a settled pattern of worship with services in each church most weeks, sometimes at the same time. Each church can now broadcast its own services whenever it wishes, subject to: (1) the purchase of a second zoom account – as you can only broadcast one 'event' at a time, and (2) the availability of people willing to set up in church, and from home, admit people to zoom and share the service sheet on the screen. Sarah and Steve already take care of the technology in church at All Saints whenever they can and Tessa takes care of sharing the order of service for All Saints.

We need more volunteers at both churches. especially at St Godwald's, please, to learn how to do those tasks and we need someone at St Godwald's to take over Liz's role managing the service online (admitting/re-admitting people/muting/introductions/closing, etc). Tessa is arranging a second zoom account and will do Liz's role for All Saints. We also need more smartphones; David will continue to make his available for services when he is involved.

David is keen that we continue to offer the zoom facility throughout 2021 to ensure that our worship is available to as many as possible and especially those who cannot come to church. So please think and pray about whether you can become involved in 'zooming' whether you come to church or worship from home. Thank you! **David.**

This Nativity scene on the right is part of the East Window of All Saints' Church.



A Zoom Advent Course takes place on Thursdays on 10th and 17th December. The Zoom meeting will be from 11.00 am to about 12 noon. **All are welcome!** The group will be using the York Course Advent material *Living in Hope* written by Catherine Fox.

The zoom joining instructions are:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86988102960?>

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Meeting ID 869 8810 2960 Password ix7235



Stewardship donations to the Church: The church needs our regular donations very much during Covid-19.

If you are unable to pay through the Bank: Any donations that you have been saving, may be collected from your home. Please get in touch with Rev. David Ford (01527 873831) or churchwarden Sue Bryant (01527 835728).

Those who use the Bank for giving, please continue to do so. The Church Barclays Bank account details are:

Name of account: DCC of All Saints Bromsgrove

Sort code: 20 98 61 **Account Number:** 40429198

When asked for a reference, quote your own name.

Alternatively you can go to the Bromsgrove Parish web-site and follow the links for All Saints, then Giving, **or** you can use

<https://www.bromsgroveparish.org.uk/>

[Groups/341559/Giving.aspx](https://www.bromsgroveparish.org.uk/Groups/341559/Giving.aspx)

Follow instructions using your Bank Card securely.

Or this QR code for All Saints can be scanned with a mobile phone. It will take you straight to the giving page for All Saints' on the web site.



Keeping in touch with each other: Please keep phoning other church people and your friends during lockdown. A telephone conversation can help each of us through this difficult time.



All Saints' Donations to The Basement Food Bank. *The number of unemployed is rising: many people are finding their income reduced.* Food banks like the Basement Project are preparing more and more food parcels. Since March we have collected a total of **£1622** (about £42 weekly) from All Saints and friends, through Mike. In addition other money has been sent directly. Keep up the donations which are greatly appreciated!



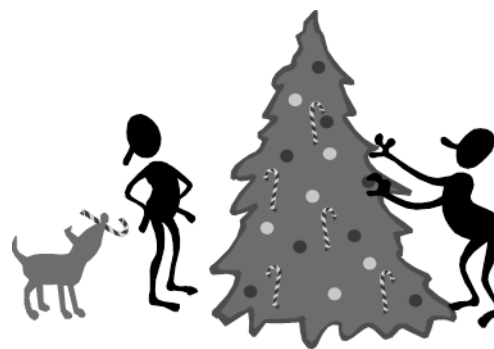
How to donate: Just phone Mike Carrick on 01527 873135 or email him on

mikecarrick34@gmail.com, saying how much you want to donate. He can send a donation from his own money for that amount and will reclaim the amount from you when convenient. Or, send a cheque now to M.E.Carrick, 45 Brook Court, Burcot Lane, Bromsgrove, B60 1AD.

Calling all Families!

The Diocese of Worcester has produced a series of weekly bible-based resources for children and families. Each week, centred around a particular bible passage, there are prayers, activities and games for you to explore with your children. Follow this link:

<https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/interactive-childrens-resources/>



Drop-in Nativity, Christmas Eve, 24th December
3-5pm at St Godwald's:
The Church and Church Hall will be transformed
on Christmas Eve into the Nativity.



It will be a COVID-friendly Christmas experience that people will remember for years.

If you can offer any of these props listed opposite please email one of the organisers! Everything will be returned but for obvious reasons please name the items and do not lend your most precious belongings or something you need on Christmas Day! Thank you!

Kerstin MacDonald kerstin.macdonald@hotmail.co.uk ;

Sally Brawshaw thebrashaws@yahoo.co.uk;

David Ford revdavidford@googlemail.com .



ITEMS NEEDED FOR EACH SCENE

Mary's home

- *Speakers with Bluetooth connection
- *Gazebo
- *Table and chairs
- *Cooking bowls
- *Bread and fruit
- *Fabric for dressing the scene

The journey

- *Gazebo
- *2 white flat sheets (for shadow art)
- *Card board for camel/ palm trees/ desert floor (children sized)
- * Large maps Nazareth to Bethlehem and UK map for equivalent distance

The Inn

- *Cardboard (the bigger the better)
- * Wooden bench/ stool or seat
- *Wooden slats to create a sign

The Stable

- *4 wooden pallets
- *Manger/draining board
- *Fabric for dressing the scene
- * Straw to cover floor
- *Fairy lights
- *Large star

Shepherds/Angels

- *Gazebo
- *Blue backing paper (large rolls such as wrapping paper)
- *Cardboard for sheep
- *Star cut-outs silver/yellow
- *Fake grass
- *Stand up lamps that light upwards for angels or fairy lights

The gift

- *Big plasterboard sheet (x2) or wooden plywood
- *Fairy lights
- *Coloured paper strips
- *Large cardboard for art project
- *Sanitizing wipes

Religious broadcasts each week

- **BBC Hereford & Worcester:** You can listen to Radio H & W on FM: 94.7, 104, 104.4, or 104.6, and MW: 73.8, 584.
- **Wednesday Radio 3:** The regular broadcast of **Choral Evensong** is at 15:30 with a repeat on Sunday at 3.00 pm.
- **Sunday Radio 4:** The regular Sunday Worship service at 8.10 am.
- **Sunday TV BBC1: Sunday Worship for Advent.** At 11.30 am.
- **Sunday TV BBC1: Songs of Praise** at 1.15 pm: the final of Chorister of the Year.

The Bromsgrove Parish web-site is:

<https://www.bromsgroveparish.org.uk/>

You can find information by exploring the web-site.

The Diocese of Worcester web-site is:

<https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk>

You can find plenty of information here, too.

Clare's Bromsgrove Parish Friends WhatsApp group

To join the Bromsgrove Parish Friends WhatsApp Group on your mobile phone:

- (a) download WhatsApp onto a phone or tablet.
 - (b) send a text or WhatsApp message to Clare Page 0794 026 625.
- This Parish Friends Group is for us to keep in touch, for fellowship, and exchange of pictures, chat, news and jokes.

**Don't forget: Keep in touch with all your friends,
including those who are not church members.**



Rector Rev. David Ford's address :

The Vicarage, 15 Finstall Rd,
Bromsgrove, B60 2EA.

His telephone is 01527 873831;
mobile: 07973 412625;

email: revdavidford@googlemail.com

David's day off is Thursday.

Our Church Wardens are:

Sue Bryant 01527 835728 and Sue Ward 0121 453 3180

For enquiries about baptisms, banns of marriage and weddings at All Saints', please speak to the Church Wardens (see above).

If you have any difficulty, or for any other enquiries, contact the Bromsgrove Parish Administrator, Heather Evans, 01527 577759,
or pa.bromsgroveparish@gmail.com

Heather's hours are Wednesday. 9.30 am -1.30 pm.

To book All Saints' Church Hall for an event when it becomes possible again: Please phone Tony Turpin on 01527 876659.

All Saints' Organist Julian Manchee's contacts

are 01299 827866 and 07585 273957;

email: julian.manchee@gmail.com

Information for the Newsletter:

Please let me, Tessa Carrick, have any news or items for the next Newsletter by lunchtime on Tuesday. Telephone 01527 873135 or email tessa@carrick.myzen.co.uk. Thank you.

