ST GODWALD'S CHURCH, FINSTALL SUNDAY April 18th 2021 3rd Sunday of Easter

Alternative Collect for today:

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

TODAY'S SERVICES:

9.45 am Holy Communion at St Godwald's led by Rev David Ford (also on zoom)

4.00 pm Iona Service led by Rev David Ford (zoom)

This service joining details are: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2474115267

ID Code: 247 411 5267

Use one of these numbers to connect to any service using your telephone only:

Dial by your location

0203 901 7895

0131 460 1196

0203 051 2874

0203 481 5237

0203 481 5240

NEXT SUNDAY

25th April – Easter 4 (Vocations Sunday)

10.30 am All Saints Morning Worship Led by Pam Rosewarne (zoom) followed by All Saints ADCM (zoom)

4.00 pm Compline on zoom

BIBLE STUDY COFFEE MORNING

Bible Study Group meets by zoom every

Thursday 11am to 12 noon. Everyone is very welcome including new members.



The JOINING INSTRUCTIONS for Bible Study

are: Meeting ID: 858 5352 4543

Passcode: ix723S

A MESSAGE FROM REVD DAVID FORD

One huge, massive Thank you!! Last Monday, 12th April, was for many the real beginning of what we hope will be the end of lockdown.

So it seems an appropriate moment to encourage us all to give one huge, massive thank you to God for everyone who has lightened our burdens in so many different ways this past year.

I am going to avoid the temptation to name people individually; many wouldn't wish it and those left out would rightly feel wronged. Forgetting someone in such circumstances would be dreadful.

So on behalf of us all, let us thank one another; especially those we know in our hearts have helped us personally.

We're getting there, together, sustained and nurtured by the God who gave us life. Praise be to God.

Home Communion

If you are unable to come to church, for whatever reason, home communion is available from the clergy and others. Please let David know of your needs.

The Annual District Church Meeting of All Saints Church is on Sunday 25th April at 11.30 am following the morning service (also available on zoom).

The Annual District Church Meeting of St Godwald's Church is on zoom on Tuesday 27th April at 7.30 pm.

If you would like to stand for election as Churchwarden, to the Parochial Church Council or to one of our District Church Councils, relevant information is available from our DCC Secretaries or Churchwardens.

Other Notices

It is hoped to **re-open St Godwald's Church for prayer** on a Wednesday morning (9am-12 noon) with a short act of worship at 10am. If you are able to help with stewarding, please have a word with David or Norman Hewer

Future Strategy of the Church of England

If you would like to contribute to development of thinking around the future strategy of the Church of England, an online survey has been created by the vision group at Church House. It doesn't take long to complete and personal details do not need to be left:

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CofEvision

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NB: David's day off is from 5.00 pm Wednesday until Thursday evening.

Heather Evans - our Parish Administrator

Heather's hours are 9.30am-1.30pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. In order to provide Heather with a COVID19 safe environment, the parish office, Ruth Heald Room, toilets and kitchens at St Godwald's are now considered 'out of bounds' please.

Heather welcomes visitors but please arrange this in advance and all visitors must wear a face mask. Heather's email is p.a.bromsgroveparish@gmail.com and the office telephone number is 577759

Our Churchwardens are:

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and

Caroline Spencer

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CLIMATE CHANGE

This is a very relevant issue and it was recently a major topic at Diocesan Synod. The following are links to some very interesting and informative resources:

- Watch the short film on the views of young people
 - here: https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/science-environment-56001191
- The Church of England's Net Zero
 webinars: https://www.churchofengland.org/about/environment-and-climate-change/webinars-getting-net-zero-carbon (Including a number of webinars from our diocesan Heating Adviser under the 'webinars on low carbon solutions heating, lighting, solar and more' section. The one this Tuesday is 'to replace or not to replace'.)
- A practical path to zero net carbon: https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2021-01/the-practical-path-to-net-zero-carbon-numbered-Jan2020.pdf
- Resources for 'sustainable preaching' based around the weekly Sunday lectionary: http://sustainable-preaching.org/

Climate Sunday

resources: https://www.climatesunday.org/