ST GODWALD'S CHURCH, FINSTALL SUNDAY April 25th 2021 4th Sunday of Easter Vocations Sunday

Alternative Collect for today:

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock,

to the glory of God the Father.

TODAY'S SERVICES:

10.30 am All Saints Morning Worship led by

Pam Rosewarne (Zoom) Followed by All Saints ADCM (zoom) *SEE NEXT COLUMN

4.00 pm Compline on zoom – led by Revd David Ford

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

2nd May – Easter 5 9.45 am St Godwald's Morning Worship Led by Red David Ford & Kerstin Macdonald 4.00 pm Taize – led by Revd David Ford

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!! 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 **TODAY** 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.

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.

Other Notices

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

Electoral Roll Revision 2021

The Electoral Roll is due for revision before the Bromsgrove Annual Parish Church Meeting on 30th May at 11.30 am, after the Morning Service at St John's Church. The meeting will be in person as well as on Zoom.

Anyone wishing to add their name to the existing roll should complete a form between

2nd May 2021 and 15th May 2021

There will be a service held at St Godwald's on 2nd May, where members of the congregation can come and collect an Electoral Roll form for completion. Forms are also available from Revd David Ford, who will drop one through your door. Completed forms can be returned to Church, Revd. David or Caroline Spencer – through her letterbox at

9 St Godwald's Crescent.

Please note, if your name is already on the Electoral Roll, you do not need to submit another form – there is a current list in the Church porch or ring Gill if you are not sure or email: gillmoxon@hotmail.co.uk *Gill Moxon, Electoral Roll Secretary [01527* 875242]

CONTACT DETAILS:

Revd David Ford - Team Rector

Address: The Vicarage, 15 Finstall Road, Bromsgrove B60 2EA Email: <u>revdavidford@googlemail.com</u> Phone: 01527 873831 Mobile: 07973 412625

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 <u>p.a.bromsgroveparish@gmail.com</u> and the office telephone number is 577759

Our Churchwardens are: Madeleine Buckley

mbuckley2602@gmail.com 879703 and Caroline Spencer carolinejoyspencer@gmail.com 832414

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: <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/science-environment-56001191</u>

- The Church of England's Net Zero webinars: <u>https://www.churchofenglan</u> <u>d.org/about/environment-and-climatechange/webinars-getting-net-zerocarbon</u> (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: <u>https://www.churchofengland.</u> <u>org/sites/default/files/2021-01/the-</u> <u>practical-path-to-net-zero-carbon-</u> <u>numbered-Jan2020.pdf</u>
- Resources for 'sustainable preaching' based around the weekly Sunday lectionary: <u>http://sustainable-</u> <u>preaching.org/</u>
- Climate Sunday resources: <u>https://www.climatesunday.</u> org/