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Usual day off is from 5.00 pm on Wednesday until Thursday evening.



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Usual day off is from 5.00 pm on Wednesday until Thursday evening.

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' Church please speak to the Church Wardens (see above).

To book All Saints' Church Hall for regular meetings or events:

Please get in touch with Mrs. Lauren Jones on pa.bromsgroveparish@gmail.com or telephone 01527 577759. (See page 7 for her working hours.)

All Saints' Organist Julian Manchee's contacts

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Information for the Newsletter:

Please let me, Tessa Carrick, have any news or items for the next Newsletter by 12 noon on Tuesday. Telephone 01527 873135 or email tessacarrick@gmail.com Thank you.



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All Saints' Church, Bromsgrove

Ash Wednesday 2nd March 10.00 am

Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes. At
St. Godwald's. Led by Rev. David Ford. Also on Zoom.

Meeting ID 247 411 5267

Sunday 6th March 1st Sunday of Lent 8.00 am Holy Communion at All Saints' Church, led by Rev. Sue Humphries.

9.00 am Morning Prayer at St. Godwald's Church.

<u>10.30 am Holy Communion</u> at St. Godwald's, a joint service for St. Godwald's and All Saints' Churches, led by Rev. David Ford. Also on Zoom.

To access the 10.30 am morning service on Zoom use: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7128248561

Meeting ID 712 824 8561

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:

0203 481 5240 0203 901 7895 0131 460 1196 0330 088 5830 0203 481 5237 0208 080 6591

0208 080 6592

Meeting ID 712 824 8561

<u>4.00 pm Taizé Service on Zoom</u> led by Rev. David Ford Meeting ID 247 411 5267

Covid 19 arrangements still exist during services:

You are asked to leave space between you and the next person or couple, to wear masks, to come to the altar for Communion, and to share the peace by waving a greeting. You may sing the hymns, wearing your mask.

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Friday 4th March World Day of Prayer

The service will be at 10.30 am at the Methodist Centre. People from all Bromsgrove Churches are welcome.

This year's theme is: *I know the plans I have for you.* "
The service material has been prepared by representatives of England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

<u>Café Church at St. Godwald's</u> will take place at 5.00 pm on the first Saturday in each month. The next meeting will be on Saturday, 5th March.

Services for the remainder of March

Sunday 13th March

10.30 am St. Godwald's Holy Communion10.30 am All Saints Holy Communion. Also on Zoom4.00 pm Celtic Service led by Tessa Carrick

Sunday 20th March

8.00 am Holy Communion at All Saints' 9.00 am Holy Communion at St. Godwald's.10.30 am Morning Worship at All Saints'.10.30 am Family Worship at St. Godwald's4.00 pm Iona service on Zoom led by Judith Rowe.

Sunday 27th March Mothering Sunday

Clocks go forward.

9.00 m St. Godwald's Holy Communion10.30 am All Saints' Holy Communion. Also on Zoom.6.00 pm Compline on Zoom led by Rosemary Sumner.

Items for the Annual Report

Please let Pam Rosewarne have items about the 2021 activities of the Church by 12th March. The heading should be in bold and the item should be signed. Pam's email is crawleypamela@hotmail.com
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The Parish Administrator is Mrs. Lauren Jones.

She will be in the office at St. Godwald's on Monday, Thursday, and Friday mornings from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm.

pa.bromsgroveparish@gmail.com: 01527 577759.

<u>Care of the Church Hall</u>: From now onwards Lauren Jones, will take care of all bookings and accounts for the hall. Tony will continue to look after maintenance, supplies and heating.

Bible Study Group on Zoom: 1 Corinthians.

The group meets on Zoom on Thursdays at 11.00 am. Please use https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83283343016 **Meeting ID: 832 8334 3016** There is no Passcode.



Newcomers are always welcome.

The Chattery Meetings in the Church Hall:

The Chattery meets on Wednesdays from 2.00 to 3.30 pm in All Saints' Church Hall. **Everyone is welcome** to come along to join in chatting, quizzes worked on together, board games and jigsaw puzzles and to enjoy a hot drink. You will find a warm, friendly group if you come along. Further information can be obtained by phoning Tessa Carrick on 873135.

All Saints' finance! THE CHURCH NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The church continues to need your help. If you can give a little more either weekly or as a single donation that will help our church finances. Thank you to those who have already responded.

If your donation can be gift-aided, that will be better because the government gives back the 20% tax to the church without any extra cost to you. Please speak to Andrew or Ann Smeeton to arrange it. Here is how you may make a donation:

- A) Through the Bank. If you are already using this method of giving, please continue to do so. For more information on how to set up bank payments or gift aid, please get in touch with Andrew or Ann Smeeton at a Church service.
- B) By making a donation on the collection plate on Sunday.

Religious broadcasts this week:

- **BBC Hereford & Worcester:** You can listen to Radio H &W on FM: 94.7, 104.0, 104.4, or 104.6, and MW: 73.8, 584.
- Wednesday Radio 3: 3.30 pm Choral Evensong
 with a repeat on the following Sunday at 3.00 pm.
 Full information including a service outline is on:
 https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006tp7r/episodes/player

Sunday 6th March broadcasts

8.10 am Radio 4: Sunday Worship.1.15 am BBC 1: Songs of Praise.

3.00 pm **Radio 3:** Choral Evensong (Repeat).

Pastoral Scheme to expand Parish of Bromsgrove

As you will know, it is proposed to expand the Ecclesiastical Parish of Bromsgrove to include the parishes and churches of Dodford, Stoke Prior, Wychbold and Upton Warren. The proposal is now in its final stage of Public Consultation. If you wish to express a view in favour or against, please write, giving your reasons, by Monday 14th March 2022 to:

Matthew Crowe
Church Commissioners
Church House
Great Smith Street
London SW1P 3AZ

(e-mail matthew.crowe@churchofengland.org)

The documents explaining this proposal may be found on our website here: https://bromsgroveparish.org.uk/Groups/373563/ Pastoral Scheme.aspx.

For your diary:

Saturday 2nd July: Ordination of Richard Sandland in the Cathedral

with first celebration of Communion on 3rd July.

Saturday 9th July: St. Godwald's Summer Fair. Saturday 10th September: Heritage Open Day.

Sunday 23rd October: One World Week Celebration.

Saturday 3rd December: Annual Bazaar.

A prayer for this week

We pray for God's peace and reconciliation to overcome all hatred, conflict, and war. As your grace fills our hearts so may we be stirred into action to demonstrate your love for all the world. Amen.



Prayers for Ukraine in our churches

The situation in Ukraine is ever more serious and our prayers for all involved are urgently needed. To facilitate this, and in recognition that the broader community may welcome more access to our churches, we are trying to keep All Saints' and St. Godwald's open throughout the week between approximately 9am and 5pm. There is a rota at the back of both churches where you can indicate your willingness to help with this. Please try to work in pairs as lone working in churches is not advised.

In addition to offering to open or close our churches, we are also inviting people to lead prayers at the start and the close of each day. This can be as simple as saying the Lord's Prayer and as complex as reciting the full liturgy for evening prayer. Another approach is to download the Daily Prayer app on your smartphone and simply play the service for the day as indicated by the app. The link for this is: https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer/daily-prayer-app-and-podcast. Richard and I will try to provide some resources too.

In All Saints chairs are arranged around the votive candle stand opposite the door or you may wish to use the Lady Chapel or simply sit in the Nave. At St Godwald's a prayer circle will be arranged in the Lady Chapel.

Whether or not you can help with the rotas do please come to church to pray if you can. And, of course, may we all remain diligent in our home prayer lives too.

Thank you, David and Richard

Requests for Prayers: If you would like someone included in the Parish Prayer List (and have their permission to do so) please send details to Rev. David Ford (01527 873831). To find the list see: https://bromsgroveparish.org.uk/Groups/338679/Prayer requests.aspx.

<u>Usual monthly pattern of services</u> (Revised version) 1st Sunday in month:

8.00 am Holy Communion at All Saints'.

9.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) at St. Godwald's.

10.30 am Joint Service of Holy Communion (CW) with All

Saints' at St. Godwald's. (Also on Zoom)

4.00 pm Taizé service on Zoom. (6.00 pm April onwards)

2nd Sunday in month:

10.30 am Holy Communion CW at All Saints'. (Also on Zoom)

10.30 am Holy Communion at St. Godwald's.

4.00 pm Celtic service on Zoom. (6.00 pm April onwards)

3rd Sunday in month:

8.00 am Holy Communion at All Saints'.

9.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) at St. Godwald's

10.30 am Family Worship at St Godwald's.

10.30 am Morning Worship at All Saints'.

4.00 pm Iona service on Zoom. (6.00 pm April onwards)

4th Sunday in month:

10.30 am Holy Communion CW at All Saints'.

10.30 am Morning Worship at St. Godwald's.

6.00 pm Compline on Zoom.

5th Sunday in month:

10.00am Team Service in various churches.

<u>Hot drinks</u> are available in All Saints' Church Hall after the 10.30 am services. *Do join us.*

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HOME COMMUNION: If you are unable to come to church, Home Communion is available. Please let David know of your wishes.



Lent Discussion Groups

In church this week there will be sign-up sheets for our Lent Groups which are studying lesser known women from scripture. David hopes you will consider joining one; the material we are using is very good and the fellowship will be rewarding to all. Two of the three groups are on zoom (https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2474115267) or ID 247 411 5267 and so everyone should have the opportunity to participate if they wish. Details are given below: you may still join if you miss the first week!. Just phone David on 01527 873831 or mobile 07973 412625.

David writes: "I pray that we will we all have a spiritually refreshing and rewarding Lent. It's a good time for self-examination of course; but also for new resolutions. When Easter comes, may our hearts rejoice and our lives flourish anew."

The discussion groups will use the book "Forty Women: Unseen women of the Bible from Eden to Easter" by Ros Clarke

Each group will explore lesser known women from scripture. The groups are:

Mondays 2-3.30pm: led by Revd Sue Humphries, and held at 119 Old Station Road (limited to six in total)

Tuesdays 2-3.30pm: led by David, Richard, Jan Hewer and Rosemary Sumner, and held on Zoom

Fridays 7-8.30pm: led by David and Richard and possibly others, and also held on Zoom.

The groups will meet week beginning 7th March for five further weeks. The book can be purchased easily online but it's not necessary to have your own copy.

<u>Used Stamps go to the Worcestershire Wildlife Trust.</u>

Thank you for all the stamps donated. It is very helpful if you cut around the stamp leaving a 2mm margin before donating them.

Pancakes: We raised about £150 for the Bromsgrove Youth Project and gave about 25 freshly cooked pancakes to passing school children. Thank you all for your support.