

#### Rector Rev. David Ford's address:

The Vicarage, 15 Finstall Rd,
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His telephone is 01527 873831;
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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 <a href="mailto:pa.bromsgroveparish@gmail.com">pa.bromsgroveparish@gmail.com</a> or telephone 01527 577759. (See page 7 for her working hours.)

#### All Saints' Organist Julian Manchee's contacts

are 01299 82 7866 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 12 noon on Tuesday. Telephone 01527 873135 or email <a href="tessacarrick@gmail.com">tessacarrick@gmail.com</a> Thank you.



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# All Saints' Church, Bromsgrove

# **Sunday 13th March 2nd Sunday of Lent**

10.30 am Holy Communion at All Saints' Church, led by

Rev. David Ford. Also on Zoom.

To access the 10.30 am morning service on Zoom use:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3942467199

#### Meeting ID 394 246 7199

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:

0208 080 6592

Meeting ID 394 246 7199

## Also at 10.30 am Holy Communion at St. Godwald's.

**4.00 pm** Celtic Service on Zoom Meeting Meeting ID 247 411 5267

#### **Covid 19 arrangements continue during services:**

You are still asked:

- to leave space between you and the next person or couple,
- to wear masks,
- to come to the altar for Communion,
- to share the peace by waving a greeting.

You may sing the hymns, wearing your mask.



# Services for the remainder of March

### **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 Communion
10.30 am All Saints' Holy Communion. Also on Zoom.
6.00 pm Compline on Zoom led by Rosemary Sumner.

<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, 3rd April.

# **Urgent: Items for the Annual Report**

Please let Pam Rosewarne have items about the 2021 activities of the Church by Friday 12th March this week. The heading should be in bold and the item should be signed. Pam's email is <a href="mailto:crawleypamela@hotmail.com">crawleypamela@hotmail.com</a>

The Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal is organised by the Disasters Emergency Fund (DEC) which is a group of major charities such as Red Cross, Save the Children Fund, UNICEF. It has appealed for donations to support Ukrainians affected by the war in Ukraine.

You can donate on the web-site:

<u>Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal | Disasters Emergency Committee (dec.org.uk)</u>
You may also be able to make a donation through a bank.

#### 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.

#### Bible Study Group on Zoom: 1 Corinthians.



Meeting ID: 832 8334 3016 There is no Passcode.



#### **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.

#### **Used Stamps go to the Worcestershire Wildlife Trust.**

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

#### 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 13th March broadcasts**

8.10 am **Radio 4**: Sunday Worship. Theme: I was thirsty.

1.15 am **BBC** 1: Songs of Praise.

1.30 pm. Radio 4: The Archbishop of Canterbury interviews

well-known people about their beliefs.

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 <a href="matthew.crowe@churchofengland.org">matthew.crowe@churchofengland.org</a>)
The documents explaining this proposal may be found on our website here: <a href="https://bromsgroveparish.org.uk/Groups/373563/">https://bromsgroveparish.org.uk/Groups/373563/</a>
Pastoral Scheme.aspx.

#### For your diary:

Sunday 8th May: All Saints' Annual District Church Meeting

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

O Lord our God, source of all goodness and love, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies look with compassion upon all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious; to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. 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. St. Godwald's Church is already opening daily. There is a rota at the back of All Saints' 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. .

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.

Whether or not you can help with the rota 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.

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

**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 are 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 (<a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2474115267">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2474115267</a>) 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 7<sup>th</sup> March for five further weeks. The book can be purchased easily online but it's not necessary to have your own copy.

# **Do you need transport to hospital or another medical appointment?**

You can ask Bluwave Community Transport for help by phoning 01527 759650 between 10.00 and 2.00 pm Monday to Friday. It is a volunteer service, cheaper than a taxi, and provides help up to about 4.30 pm. See <a href="https://www.bluwave.org.uk">www.bluwave.org.uk</a> (note: it is blu, not blue!)