# ST GODWALD'S CHURCH, FINSTALL **SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2022** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

## **Alternative Collect for today:**

Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### **TODAY'S SERVICES**

8.00 am Holy Communion CW at All Saints' 9.00 am Holy Communion BCP at St Godwald's 10.30 am Family Service at St Godwald's (also on zoom)

Meeting ID: 247 411 5267

10.30 am Morning Worship at All Saints' 12 noon Baptism of Finley Anthony David Swift at St Godwald's

#### 4.00 pm Iona – zoom

Meeting ID: 872 2436 2654

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#### Monday 21st March

**9.30 am Totwald's** for 0-5 year olds in church 10.00 - 11.15 am Little Stars pre-school play group in the main hall.

## Next Sunday's Services – 27<sup>th</sup> March (Mothering Sunday)

10.30 am Holy Communion CW at All Saints' 10.30 am Morning Worship at St Godwald's 4.00 pm Evening Prayer (zoom)

TUESDAY WALKS meet on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of every month. The next walk in March will be on 22nd March at 10.00 am returning at 12 noon for refreshments.

We follow all COVID housekeeping rules.

#### **WEDNESDAY MORNING SERVICES**

Join us in the Ruth Heald Room every Wednesday at 10.00 am for Worship followed by refreshments.

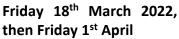
Communion Services will be on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday and Morning Worship being on the alternate Wednesdays.

#### JOHN JACKSON

A Thanksgiving Service for John Jackson will take place on Monday 21st March at 1.00pm at St John's Church. There will be refreshments for all afterwards in the Church Hall.

#### **COMMUNITY CAFÉ**

The next community café will be on



and will continue on alternate Fridays at 10.00 am until 12 noon.

#### **PAT SALE**

It is with great sadness that we share with you the news that Pat died last week. Pat



was a long-standing member of St Godwald's congregation and supported many of the church activities. Our thoughts and prayers are with her daughter Adele, Chris and all her family.

#### **LENT GROUPS 2022: FORTY WOMEN:**

Unseen women of the Bible from Eden to Easter by Ros Clarke (ISBN 9781789743562).

This year, three groups will explore lesser known women from scripture. The groups are:

Mondays 2.00-3.30pm: led by Revd Sue Humphries, and held at 119 Old Station Road (limited to six in total)

Tuesdays 2.00-3.30pm: led by David, Richard, Jan and Rosemary, and held on zoom. **Zoom ID**: 247 411 5267

Fridays 7.00-8.30pm: led by David and Richard and possibly others, and also held on zoom. Zoom ID: 247 411 5267

The groups will meet week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> March and meet for five weeks. If you would like to join a group as a participant or to lead a session, please let one of the named above know. The book can be purchased easily online but it's not necessary to have your own copy. Thank you!

#### **GROCERY COLLECTIONS**

Donations of grocery items for St Basil's and NewStarts would be gratefully received on any Sunday at St Godwald's

# CONTACTLESS CARD PAYMENTS are now accepted at St Godwald's it is now possible to donate to St

it is now possible to donate to St<sup>1</sup> Godwald's using your bank card.

Once Wi-Fi is installed in church this week, the card unit will stand at the back of church. Any amount can be donated although the unit is pre-set with six different amounts starting at £2. Select the amount you want to donate using the touch screen and then tap your card on the top of

the unit. The system is compliant with gift aid and data protection. There is no need to change your existing method of supporting St Godwald's but this will be an invaluable addition to our range of giving options, especially for newcomers and occasional visitors.

#### STUDY GROUP ON ZOOM: Explore Your Faith.

The group meets on Zoom on Thursdays at 11.00 am for Bible Study.

Newcomers are always welcome. Please use the **Zoom meeting ID 832 8334 3016**. There is no Passcode.



<u>CAFÉ CHURCH</u> at St. Godwald's takes place at 5.00 pm on the first Saturday of each month. The next meeting will be on Saturday, 3rd April.

#### A SERVICE FOR UKRAINE

Saturday 19th March 2022 1:30pm At the Bandstand in Sanders Park



Bromsgrove District Council are organising a service for Ukraine for the whole community. The service will be led by Revd. Paul Lewis from the Baptist Church.

# PRAYERS FOR UKRAINE / OPENING of CHURCH

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 St Godwald's open throughout the week between approximately 9am and 4pm. There is a rota at the back of church 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.

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

#### **COLLECTION HUB for DONATIONS to UKRAINE**

Bromsgrove Baptist Church is now registered with Barnabus Fund as a collection point for donations to Ukraine.

The church building will be open at the following times to accept donations of warm blankets, warm winter clothing and food (specifically metal ring pull cans, energy bars and cup a soup packets).

Please **ONLY** donate the items listed above at this time. If possible, any goods to be donated should be bagged/boxed up and clearly labelled with the contents. It will help if the blankets, clothing and food items are packaged separately.

Thursday 17th March 10am – 2pm and 6 30pm – 8 30pm Friday 18th March 2pm – 4pm Saturday 19th March 10am-1pm

If you would like to help with receiving and sorting donations at any of the times listed above, please let me know.

Siân Anderson Church Administrator Bromsgrove Baptist Church admin@bromsgrove-baptists.org.uk 01527 877190 0790 8582 409

Please note, my normal working hours are Monday – Thursday 9am-2pm

#### 100 club winners 2022

January Madeleine Buckley

February Pat Archer

March Rita Smith

#### The SABBATICAL leave of Revd. David Ford

The second half of David's Sabbatical Leave will be from Easter Monday to 29th May inclusive. During this time David will be accessible by email if **absolutely** necessary. Richard will be under the oversight of Bev for this period.

# THE REGULAR PATTERN of SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES at ST GODWALD'S and ALL SAINTS from MARCH 2022

#### 1st Sunday in month

8.00 am Holy Communion CW at All Saints 9.00 am Holy Communion BCP at St Godwald's 10.30am Joint Service of Holy Communion CW at St Godwald's

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in month

10.30 am Holy Communion CW at St Godwald's 10.30 am Holy Communion CW at All Saints

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in month

8.00 am Holy Communion CW at All Saints9.00 am Holy Communion BCP at St Godwald's10.30 am Family Service at St Godwald's10.30 am Morning Worship at All Saints

#### 4th Sunday in month:

10.30 am Holy Communion CW at All Saints' 10.30 am Morning Worship at St Godwald's

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in month:

10.00 am Team Service in various churches

#### **CONTACT DETAILS:**

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#### **Revd Richard Sandland - Curate**

2 Verona Road

B60 2SS

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Richard's day off is from 5.00 pm Wednesday

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#### **Lauren Jones – Parish Administrator**

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Monday, Thursday, Friday from 9.30am-2.30pm

#### Dear friends,

I am delighted to tell you that the @St. G Library is now ready. We currently have 31 books, a good range for children aged 0-7. This library will provide families with a tool to explore and deepen their faith and connection with God. Thank you to each and every one of you that has supported this little project with funds, love, thoughts and prayers. As the Worcester Diocese continues to publicise a new guide to explore a different book our library will continue to grow!

Please feel free to have a look at the library when you next visit our church and borrow a book if you like via our dedicated @St. G Library email:

## st.g-library@outlook.com

Thank you, Kerstin

