

ALL SAINTS' AND ST GODWALD'S SUNDAY 23rd NOVEMBER 2025



SUNDAY 23rd NOVEMBER: LAST SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT CHRIST THE KING

Prayer for the Week

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.

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10.30 am All Saints': Holy Communion (CW) led by Rev'd Dr Alan Conant.

Next Week's Services:

Saturday 29th November:

5.00 pm St Godwald's: Pizza Church

Sunday 30th November: ADVENT SUNDAY

10.30 am St Andrew's Church, Charford: Team Holy Communion

CHRISTMAS CHEER!

Alan and Andrea are inviting everyone in the Team to drop in for our Open House at the Rectory on Saturday 20th December 2.00pm-6.00pm. Pop in for a half hour to meet others in the team and wish everyone a Merry Christmas over a glass of mulled wine and some nibbles.



JOINT CHURCHES TOGETHER



Carol Singing - on Sat December 20th at 10.30am in the Town Centre near Coffee No 1 - come along and bring your voices to support this event. For further information please contact Hilda Roxborough at St Johns. If anyone can bring any tubs of chocolate to give out alongside to the shoppers that would be brilliant!

SOUL AND SENSES SERVICE December 6th 2025

We are sorry to announce that, due to a double booking at All Saints' on **Saturday 6th December**, we shall not be able to have our planned Soul & Senses service on that evening.

Unfortunately, it is not possible to reschedule during December and so we will begin again in the New Year. Dates will be advertised as soon as they have been finalised, so do keep looking at the Newsletter.

PIZZA (CAFÉ) CHURCH

Café Church is an informal service in the Church Hall at St. Godwald's for all the family to enjoy. A small buffet style supper is included. The next Pizza Church is on Saturday, November 29th at 5pm (and every last Saturday of the month).



CHILDREN'S SOCIETY - Box Collection.

It is that time of the year again. Please bring your Children's Society boxes to church for emptying or for All Saints' contact Helen on 01527 875521

and for **St Godwald's** contact **Catherine on 01527 467859** for collection of the box.

If anybody would like a box for next year we do have spare boxes, Thank you. Helen Waller (AS) and Catherine Maund (St G's).

ST GODWALD'S

TOTWALDS – MONDAY

Totwalds is our worship time in church for 0-5 year-olds and their parents/carers. There is always a story, lovely songs and an activity. Everyone is welcome at **9.30am each Monday morning**.

TUESDAY WALKS_meet on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Please note that the next walk is on 25th November 2025 at 10.00 am starting from the Ruth Heald Room and returning at 12 noon for refreshments.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SERVICE

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

There will be two Communion Services each month and two services of Morning Worship.

ST GODWALD'S COMMUNITY CAFÉ

The Community Café is open *every alternate Friday*. The next cafés will be **Friday 21**st **November and Friday 5**th **December 2025 10.00 am until 12.30 pm.**

No charge but donations always very welcome.



ST BASILS

St Basils is a homeless shelter in Bromsgrove. It works with young people aged 16-25 who are homeless or at risk, helping almost 4000 youngsters per year across the West Midlands.



Thank you very much for your continued support of the Community Café and Ramble Group; the fellowship and fundraising are instrumental in raising money for St Basils

CHURCH CLEANING at ST GODWALD'S

Our next session of communal church cleaning (mainly dusting and hoovering) will be on **Friday 28**th **November from 10.00 – 11.00 am**, joining with

Coffee and Company in the Ruth Heald Room afterwards. **All Welcome – Many hands make light work!**

COFFEE AND COMPANY

We are trialling an additional Friday morning get-together on the weeks when the Community Café is not running. The next session is on **Friday 28**th **November from 10.00 – 12.00**.

This is a space for chat, hot drinks and biscuits, with table games for those who are interested. **All welcome!**

SAMARITANS PURSE

Many thanks to all who have supported this appeal again this year; over thirty boxes have been delivered to the distribution hub. Many thanks, Jan Hewer

ALL SAINTS'

CHATTERY

Meetings are held weekly on **Wednesdays** in **All Saints' Church Hall** from **2.00 to 3.30 pm**.

It is a warm, friendly group of a wide range of ages. Further details from Sue Thompson on 01527 836142.

CHOIR PRACTICES: Most weeks the choir rehearsals are on **Thursdays** from **5.30 pm to 7.00 pm**.

Members of the Choir are asked to be at church on 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays by 9.50 am for practice before the 10.30 am services. Please contact Ollie Neale regarding the choir and music and to confirm times of practices: ollie.neale@hotmail.co.uk

If you enjoy listening to All Saints' Choir at Services, you might like to see this schedule:

1st Sunday of the month: The Choir join the 10.30am Joint Service at St Godwald's, Holy Communion with Hymns, (with organist Joel Pagett) **2**nd **Sunday of the month:** 10.30am Joint Service at All Saints' with St Godwald's. The 'Main' Choral Service of the month where we might have a more complex Anthem/Service Music etc.

3rd Sunday of the month: 10.30am Lay-Led Service-only Hymns.

4th Sunday of the month: 10.30am Holy Communion-Mass Setting, Anthem and Hymns.

5th **Sunday of the month:** 10.00am Team Service ONLY if at All Saints' Church



MOTHERS' UNION

The Mothers' Union will meet on the **third Monday** of each month at **2.30pm** at **12, Chapel Street, Bromsgrove**. At each meeting there is a

short time of worship, a speaker and refreshments. All are welcome



All Saints Church Traditional Christmas Bazaar Saturday 29 November 2pm-4pm in the Church Hall.

Don't miss out on this annual Christmas event where you will find many stalls including White elephant, Tombola, Bottle Stall, Christmas goods, Raffle, Fancy Goods, Cakes, Jams and Chutney and more. Refreshments will be served during the afternoon.

So do come along and join in the fun and do some Christmas shopping - Christmas starts here and we look forward to seeing you for a festive afternoon!!

CHURCH CHRISTMAS LUNCH SUNDAY 30th NOVEMBER at BROMSGROVE GOLF CLUB



12.30 for 1.00pm

COST:- 2 COURSES £26 3 COURSES £32

COFFEE and MINCE PIE £2 extra

There is a list for this event at the back of both Churches

ALL SAINTS' and ST GODWALD'S

Please write your name and menu preference on the sheet provided.



POSTAGE STAMPS USED POSTAGE STAMPS FOR THE RNIB

(Royal National Institute of Blind People)

A very **BIG THANK YOU** to all who continue to donate stamps for this Appeal. Stamps can be brought to church during any of our services, there is a box on the table at the back, or to the Parish Office, during opening hours. There is no cost to the church for sending these to the



RNIB. Gill Gould (All Saints on 07824368584).

THANK YOU AGAIN AND PLEASE DO KEEP COLLECTING THEM (3)



THE BASEMENT PROJECT

Please remember to keep supporting the Basement Project. More information at

www.basementproject.org.



Franciscan Advent Day

You are invited to an Open Meeting

of the Wyvern Area of the

Third Order of the Society of St Francis.

Thursday 4th December 2025

St Godwald's Church, 15 Finstall Rd, Bromsgrove B60 2EA

- 10.30am Arrive coffee/tea
- 10.45am Welcome.
- 11.00am Advent Candles & Francis
- 12.30pm Eucharist.
- 1.15pm Bring your own lunch. Hot drinks
- 2.00pm Depart



For more information contact David TSSF at CanonLingwood@gmail.com

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

Margaret Woodgates, Rhoda, Betty Daly and Pat Archer.

The Christian Union at South Bromsgrove High School

Please pray for the youngsters and for the termly online prayer meetings that are held to support the school.

The new Christian Union at North Bromsgrove High

School starting on the 10th November.

Please include our schools – first, middle and high – in our prayers.

DATES for your DIARIES

Saturday 29th November: All Saints' Christmas Bazaar will be

taking place from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm

in the Church Hall.

Sunday 30th November: Church Christmas Lunch at

Bromsgrove Golf Club

St Godwald's and All Saints' Services for NOVEMBER:

Saturday 1st November:

5.00 pm All Saints': Soul and Senses Service led by Rev'd Debra Buckley and Gill Gould

Sunday 2nd November: 4th Sunday Before Advent

8.00 am All Saints': Said Holy Communion (CW) led by Rev'd Sue

Humphries.

10.30 am St Godwald's: Joint Holy Communion (CW) with All

Saints' led by Rev'd Ann Cogle

4.00 pm St Godwald's: All Souls Service

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Sunday 9th November: 3rd Sunday Before Advent REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

10.00 am at the **War Memorial** in **Aston Fields,** followed by **10.30 am St. Godwald's:** Remembrance Service led by Rev'd Ann Cogle.

10.30 am All Saints': Remembrance Service with Holy Communion (CW) led by Rev'd Dr Alan Conant.

Tuesday 11th November – REMEMBRANCE DAY

10.50am – War Memorial Aston Fields: Prayers and two minutes silence led by Rev'd Dr Alan Conant and Rev'd Ann Cogle.

Sunday 16th November: 2nd Sunday Before Advent 8.00 am All Saints': Said Holy Communion led by Rev'd Sue Humphries.

10.30 am St Godwald's: Holy Communion (CW) led by Rev'd Ann Cogle

10.30 am All Saints': Morning Worship - led by Pam Rosewarne and Sue Ward.

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CONTACT DETAILS:



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Lauren Jones – Parish Administrator (For all enquiries including the booking of Church Halls)

St Godwald's Office: 01527 577759

pa.bromsgroveparish@gmail.com

Please scan below to check the Parish Office

opening hours for this week:



For funerals, please contact Irene Caswell-Berwick - Parish

Administrator:

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st.johns.bromsgrove@gmail.com

All Saints' Church Wardens:

Sue Ward 0121 453 3180 and Sue Bryant 01527 835728

St Godwald's Church Wardens:

Caroline Spencer 01527 832414 and Norman Hewer 01527 871722

All Saints' Organist and Choirmaster

Ollie Neale, email: ollie.neale@hotmail.co.uk

SAFEGUARDING

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St Godwald's Safeguarding Lead:

Catherine Maund 07788 418045

Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor:

Hilary Higton 07495 060869

The Diocese of Worcester, All Saints DCC and St Godwald's DCC are all committed to promoting a Safer Church for everyone. We will seek to promote the welfare of children, young people and adults, work to prevent abuse from occurring, protect those that are at risk of being abused, and respond well to those that have experienced abuse.

***Information for the Newsletter: Please let me have any news or items for the next Newsletter from either St Godwald's or All Saints' by 12 noon on Tuesday 25th November,

Thank you, Catherine Maund: cmaund1@sky.com