

All Saints' Church, Bromsgrove

15th March 2020

3rd Sunday of Lent

(3rd Sunday of the month, Year A)

A warm welcome to all.

Events included in this Newsletter will take place unless you hear otherwise.

We have an audio loop around the church. If you wish to use it, please set your hearing aid to the correct setting.

Please tell us if you need a LARGE PRINT VERSION of the Newsletter.

THIS WEEK

Sunday 15th March

8.00 am Said Communion
10.15 am Morning Worship

Wednesday 18th March

2.00-3.30 pm No Chatterry
while risk of virus

Friday 20th March

7.00 pm Choir practice

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 22nd March

10.15 am Sung Communion

Wednesday 25th March

2.00-3.30 pm No Chatterry
while risk of virus

Friday 27th March

7.00 pm Choir practice.

Committees

All Saints' DCC Tuesday 17th March at 7.30 pm in the Vestry.
Bromsgrove PCC Tuesday 21st April at 7.30 pm at All Saints' Church.
Buildings
& Finance Committee . . . Wednesday 29th April at 3.30 pm in the Vestry.
Worship Committee tba
Mission and Pastoral
Committee Wednesday 8th July 3.30 pm in the Hall.

Please take this Newsletter and the Bible reading sheet home for reference.

A prayer for use daily this week:

*You, Creator God, have written
your great name on humankind;
for our growing in your likeness
bring the life of Christ in mind;
that by our response and service
earth its destiny may find. Amen.*

Lent Discussion Course at All Saints' Church

Remaining meetings will be on Thursdays 26th March and 2nd April from 2.00 to 3.30 pm in the Vestry.

Communion and the Peace while there is a risk of

Covid 19 (the coronavirus) infection: In compliance with the latest guidance from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, Holy Communion will be distributed in one kind only (bread) until further notice, and physical contact during the peace is discouraged. Greeting by British Sign Language or equivalent will be shared instead. The Presiding Minister will continue to consecrate and consume wine on behalf of the congregation. If you have any concerns or questions, please ask David Ford.

You may like to look at this web-site:

<https://fullfact.org/wuhan-coronavirus/>

Thursday Church Opening begins on Thursday 2nd April. Please offer to steward on any Thursday you are able. Two people are required for each slot: 10.30-12.30, 12.30 to 2.30, and 2.30 to 4.30. A list for people to volunteer is at the back of church. If you are volunteering, please ask Tessa for notes about what is involved and safety arrangements. Thank you.

Stewardship donations: Please return the envelopes and forms to Sue Davidson stating what your planned giving will be for the coming year so that she can budget for 2020.

Change of venue for the DCC on 17th March: it will now be at 7.30 pm at 12 Chapel Street.

Nomination forms for elections are at the back of church for churchwardens, DCC members and Deanery Synod representative. We also need a nomination for a rep for Churches Together in Bromsgrove (no form needed).

Updating of All Saints' Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll is a list of members of the church. You need to be on the Electoral Roll to vote at Annual Meetings. If you are not on the list, and would like to join please obtain a form from Mike or Tessa Carrick and return it to Mike, the Electoral Roll Officer, by **today** 15th March.

The Chatterbox: It is greatly regretted there will be no meetings until further notice to protect all against coronavirus infection.

Are you able to deliver a few leaflets about All Saints through doors? David and Tessa have produced a leaflet to be distributed to local houses. It would be helpful if people could take 10 or even 20 leaflets from the back of the church to post through doors. Please sign the list when you take leaflets, indicating which road you will be visiting. Thank you.

Lent 2020 - Come and See: this Lent we are encouraging you to invite someone who doesn't normally attend to come along to a church service or event. This might be a member of the church community, neighbour or friend. There are postcards at the back of church to help you do this.

A Prayer Workshop for Lent 2020: Body Prayer led by Canon David Lingwood. Saturday 28th March 10.30- 1.00 pm in St John's Church Hall. David Lingwood writes: In our imagination we join with some new Testament Christians in Rome to explore how we might use our Hands, Feet and Voices in prayer." You are welcome to come along; please let David Lingwood know: telephone 07891488120 or email to CanonLingwood@gmail.com

David's weekly lent talks are now available on:

https://bromsgroveparish.org.uk/Groups/327376/Lent_2020.aspx

Services during Lent:

22nd March Mothering Sunday	10.15 am service
29th March Team Service	10.00 am Communion at Christ Church Catshill
5th April Palm Sunday	8.00 am Said Communion 10.15 am All age service for Palm Sunday
6th April Monday of Holy Week	11.0 am Chrism service at the Cathedral: all welcome
9th April Maundy Thursday	2.30 pm Communion for Mothers' Union: everybody is welcome 7.30 pm Holy Communion with foot washing at St. Godwald's
10th April Good Friday	10.00 am to 12 noon: Crafty church for families 2.00 -3.00 pm Meditation around the Cross 7.00 pm Olivet to Calvary led by the choir
11th April Holy Saturday	8.00 pm Service of Light and First Fire
12th April Easter Day	10.15 am Easter Communion
19th April Easter 1	10.00 am Communion at Dodford

Posies for Mothering Sunday: These will be prepared on Saturday 21st March at 2.00 pm in the vestry. If you can help please speak to Barbara. Greenery will be welcome — it can be left in the vestry beforehand.

New Parish Website

The new Parish website (www.bromsgroveparish.org.uk) went live towards the end of last year. In the 'Churches' section there are some All Saints specific pages. We are trying to keep these pages regularly maintained including 'This Week' (where the latest newsletters can be found) and 'Events' (including some upcoming events as well as some short articles about events that have recently taken place). Sarah and Steve Bull (web editors for the church) would like to include a greater range of the Church's activity on the site and so we would encourage all parishioners to be involved in creating content. This might include a short piece about an event that you have run, including photographs if possible (please remember to get permission from anyone who features in the foreground!), or a reflective piece about some church-related activity, group or get-together that you think might be of interest to others. Please submit potential contributions and any queries to:

allsaints_bromsgrove@outlook.com. We look forward to hearing from you! Thank you in advance for your support in keeping the website fresh, informative and current!

Wedding of Josh and Siobhan (Barbara Murphy's grand-daughter): They invite the All Saints' congregation to join them in celebrating their marriage on Saturday 11th April at noon.

Readers for services: An up-to-date list is on the notice-board in the vestry. If you read lessons, please check the list.

Barnt Green Choral Society presents Mozart's *Requiem* and Haydn's *Nelson Mass* on Saturday 28th March at 7.30 pm at All Saints' Church. Tickets : Adults £15; children under 16 free. Available from Wendy Tricklebank (0121 445 2344) or at the door.

Dates for your diary (Updated)

Sat 28th March: 7.30 pm. Barnt Green Choral Society Concert.

Sun 29th March: 10.00 am Team Service at St Godwald's.

Thurs 2nd April: Thursday Opening of Church begins.

Sun 5th April: 12 noon Annual All Saints' District Church Meeting (ADCM). Nibbles available.

Sun 19th April: 10.00 am Team service at Dodford Church.

Tues 28th April: 7.30 pm Bromsgrove Annual Parish Church Meeting (APCM) at All Saints' Church.

Sunday 3rd May: Confirmation Service.

Wed 6th May: 7.30-9.45 Come & Sing Messiah Rehearsal.

Sat 9th May: 4.00-6.30 Come & Sing parts of Handel's Messiah

Fri 15th May evening: Opening of Art Exhibition.

16th-24th May: 10.00 - 4.00 pm Art Exhibition at All Saints.

Tues 7th July 2.30-4.30 pm: Cream tea for Mission funds.

Sun 9th August 12 noon: Summer lunch in aid of Church Homeless Trust.

Sat 12th September 10.00-4.00 pm Ride and Stride and Heritage Opening of the Church.

Sat 26th September: Come and Sing again.

Sun 18th October 12 noon: One World Week Lunch.

Sat 5th December: Christmas Bazaar. 2.00-4.00 pm.

Thy Kingdom Come

Prayer Meetings for Novena, 21-29 May 2020

Novena is a tradition of devoting nine days to prayer.

As part of the Novena for 2020, Christ Church, Catshill, will be holding a series of Prayer Meetings, in order to

Participate in the global *Thy Kingdom Come* prayer programme, led by the Church of England

Promote Christ Church as the Anglican (Church of England) centre of worship in Catshill.

Commencing at 7.30 p.m. each evening (not Saturday or Sunday)

Monday to Friday, the focus of each meeting would be a key theme related to life in the village. Each evening's session would be in 3 or 4 parts, with each part based on a particular passage of scripture. The key themes, in no particular order: Work, Healing (Reconciliation),

Education, Parish Council, and Community activities.

This is also an opportunity to grow Prayer Ministry across the Bromsgrove Parish generally. While all in the Bromsgrove Parish are welcome to Christ Church Catshill, to bring their thanks and intercessions for their parishes across the key themes, Novena Prayer Meetings in each of the parish churches would give further Light to the World.

For further details, please contact Gary Taylor at Christ Church Catshill (tel: 07881958595; email: gtaylor24@sky.com)

Bromsgrove Railway Station News: It is proposed that the Keep Bromsgrove Beautiful Group led by Sarah Milburn (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/KeepBromsgroveBeautiful/>) will adopt the first *Station Neighbours* station in Worcestershire with the involvement of no3a coffee shop. There will be a public information event on Saturday 25th April at the station at 3.30pm. Some members of the congregation may be interested to find out more.

The Bromsgrove Parish web-site is:
<https://www.bromsgroveparish.org.uk/>

Rector Rev. David Ford's address : The Vicarage,
15 Finstall Rd, Bromsgrove, B60 2EA.
His telephone is 01527 873831; mobile: 07973 412625;
email: revdavidford@gmail.com
David's usual day off is from 5pm Thursday until Friday evening.

For enquiries about baptisms, banns of marriage and weddings at All Saints, please visit the church during a **Vestry Time on the *first Tuesday evening in the month*** between 6.30 and 8.00 pm. The next vestry time will be Tuesday 7th April.
Baptisms may be booked for 12 noon on 2nd Sundays in most months.

If you have any difficulty, or for any other enquiries, contact
the Bromsgrove Parish Administrator, Heather Evans, 01527 577759,
or pa.bromsgroveparish@gmail.com
Heather's hours are 11 - 2 pm Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Our Churchwardens are:
Sue Ward 0121 453 3180 and Sue Bryant 01527 835728

To book All Saints' Church Hall for an event: Please phone
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