

All Saints' Church, Bromsgrove

10th May 2020: Christian Aid Week

Rosemary Sumner will be leading a service on Christian Aid.

How to join this service at 10.30 on 10th May

If you are using a computer or tablet

To participate in the service it is best to install the Zoom application well before the service. If you have not been on Zoom before you can enter using <https://zoom.us/download> or <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/408915049?pwd=RGISQWN6QU1JUUn-B1UE9vZHAxbVR2UT09>

1. About 10 minutes before the service open Zoom

1. Click on 'Join Meeting'

3. Then enter the details below:

Meeting ID: 408 915 049

Password: 548411

You will be asked whether you want to use a camera and a microphone. Please note: If you don't want to be heard at any time you can use the "mute" button.

If you are using a phone:

You can listen in by telephone using one of these numbers:

0203 051 2874

0203 481 5237

0203 481 5240

0131 460 1196

If you don't succeed try one of the other numbers.

You will be asked to enter the Meeting ID & password:

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If there are **families with children** joining us for the Zoom Christian Aid service they might like to do some art work with their hands during the service – hand prints or drawing round their hands and then making them into a picture to show the world held safely in hands.

Rosemary's service is sent with this Newsletter. She suggests that you have a small bowl available so you can join in her activity.

Please keep this Newsletter and the Bible reading sheet for reference.

A prayer for the week

*Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us to love our neighbour,
and to care for those in need
as if we were caring for you.*

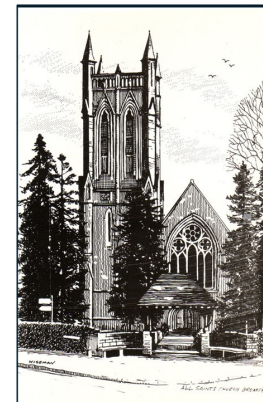
*In this time of anxiety, give us strength
to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick,
and to assure the isolated of our love, and your love,
for your name's sake. **Amen.***

Sue Davidson's funeral will be held on Wednesday 13th

May at 1.15 pm at the Redditch Crematorium. Only the family can be present. There will be a thanksgiving and memorial service in the church when lockdown is over.

Donations in memory of Sue may be made to Age UK Bromsgrove, for whom Sue did voluntary work looking after their accounts. Cheques noting that they are in memory of Sue Davidson can be sent to Age UK, 51 Windsor Street, Bromsgrove B60 2BJ (tel. 01527 570490) or can be paid using: <https://www.ageuk.org.uk/brwf/about-us/contact-us/> using a card or PayPal.

If you would like a copy of Sue's funeral service, please get in touch with David Ford.



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 10-16 May 2020

Like everybody else, many charities including Christian Aid are finding life difficult; there are more demands and fewer donations as Covid-19 spreads across the world.

Last year Christian Aid Week raised £8 million but this year will be different. Since house-to-house collections and most fund-raising activities have been cancelled it depends on us to help by donating directly. It will be a huge challenge to approach that amount in 2020. *This is how to donate:*

- On the Christian Aid web-site, you can make a one-off or a regular payment using your credit card.
 - You can phone 020 7523 2269 to donate using a credit card.
 - You can arrange a bank transfer by phoning 020 7523 2226.
 - Or look at the suggestions Rosemary has included in her service.
- N.B. Christian Aid prefers that you don't pay by a cheque sent by post because that may involve big delays during lockdown (although Rosemary has mentioned that possibility). You can look at the Christian Aid web-site:
<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/christian-aid-week/daily-prayer-reflection>

Intercessions workshop notes

David has uploaded some resources to support last week's intercessions training. They can be downloaded from
<https://bromsgroveparish.org.uk/Groups/341785/Training.aspx>.



If lockdown continues, at least for some of us, don't forget: keep in touch with your friends, neighbours and family. It can mean so much.



Regular Stewardship donations to the Church: Regular donations to the church are even more needed at present. If you can arrange for your donations to be made monthly on line and don't already do so, it would be wonderful. The Church Bank details are:

Name of account: DCC of All Saints Bromsgrove

Sort code: 20 98 61

Account Number: 40429198 **Quote as reference:** your own name.

Alternatively you can go to the Bromsgrove Parish web-site and follow the links or All Saints/Giving or use

<https://www.bromsgroveparish.org.uk/Groups/341559/Giving.aspx>

And follow the instructions using your Bank Card securely.

If you do not want to pay in this way: If you usually place your donations on the collection plate, please save your weekly amounts until we return to the church. At the moment, it is best not to send anything by post or to try to deliver the money directly to anyone.

All Saints' Donations to the Basement Food Bank

Last week the Basement Project was again appealing for donations in order to carry on buying food so that they can keep supplying food parcels for those in need. £437 has been donated so far by All Saints and friends. *How to donate:* Just phone Mike Carrick on 01527 873135 saying how much you want to donate. He will send a donation from his own money for that amount and will reclaim the amount from you when the lockdown is over.

HAVE YOU USED THE "SUPPORT BROMSGROVE" WEB-SITE:? You can use the web-site to volunteer to help others or to seek help for yourself, perhaps some shopping or collection of medicines.

Go to:

<https://supportbromsgrove.com/i-need-help-or-advice/>

or telephone 01527 306490. Tessa used this service to collect Prescriptions. She was very impressed and grateful for their help.



Bible Study David is hosting a new online bible study group on Thursday mornings, 11am to 12 noon. Each week we will take a passage from the gospel of Luke and read, reflect, discuss and debate it. It's an opportunity for fellowship and for deepening our understanding. Anyone is welcome to join and contribute.

Joining instructions are:

Either Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86518251669>

Or Telephone: 0203 481 5240 or 0131 460 1196.

Then insert Meeting ID: 865 1825 1669; no password is needed.

Why Not Knit a Small Doll for Christmas?

Several people at All Saints' have, in the past, produced beautiful knitted small dolls, soft toys and other items. This year, these would again be extremely useful, both for the Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal in the autumn and to sell at All Saints' Christmas Bazaar.

If you would like to knit a doll, with clothes to dress it, or a clown or bear using wool you have already Mike Carrick has a number of knitting patterns that he will be happy to send to you. Mike can also help you to obtain wool. He is also able to provide crochet patterns. Scarfs and small hats are also useful for the Shoe Boxes. If you are interested, phone and he will give you details. Mike's contacts are: 01527 873135 or 0789 4351 306; email: mike.carrick@zen.co.uk

On Line Quiz coming up soon

We will be hosting an online quiz on Saturday 23rd May at 7.30 pm to mark VE Day – all the questions covering the past 75 years! The quiz is being devised by Heather Evans (our Parish Administrator) and David Ford will be MC. Good luck!

Here are the sign in details: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2474115267>
Meeting ID: 247 411 5267

Recycling for charity:

Stamps (cut to correct size with a 3mm border around each stamp or group of stamps) go to Worcestershire Wildlife Trust. Please bring them to church after the lockdown.

Milk bottle tops (washed) are recycled for charity, too, and are passed on by Barbara Murphy.

Many other organisations collect items that they can recycle.



The Church of England has set up a free, 24 hour phone line, **Daily Hope**, which offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England. The number is 0800 804 8044 and the service has been created particularly for those

unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions. When you phone the Daily Hope number you will hear a welcome message from Archbishop Justin and then you can choose from a menu to listen to - *Hymns we Love*, a selection of well-known hymns, advice and prayers specifically about the Coronavirus, a weekly church service and more traditional morning and evening prayers.

Some useful links

- **BBC Hereford & Worcester:** You can listen to Radio H & W on FM: 104, 104.4, 104.6, 94.7 and MW: 73.8, 584.
- **Wednesday Radio 3:** The regular broadcast of Choral Evensong is at 15:30 with a repeat on Sunday at 3.00 pm.
- **Sunday Radio 4:** The regular Sunday morning service follows the 8.00 am news at 8.10 am.
- **Sunday TV BBC1: The worship programme;** 10.45-11.15 am.
- **Sunday TV BBC1: Songs of Praise on :** 1.15 pm.



The Bromsgrove Parish web-site is:

<https://www.bromsgroveparish.org.uk/>

You can find all kinds of other information by exploring the web-site.

The Diocese of Worcester web-site is:

<https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk>

It includes much interesting information.

David writes:

The weeks roll on! Even the most motivated of us are probably beginning to find 'lockdown' taking its toll. Too much time on your hands? Keen to help others but don't know how – especially when stuck inside? Let's make our newsletters a forum for exchanging ideas on how we might help, even at a distance.

- Would you like someone to telephone or to call you?
- Have you joined in the sewing, making scrub hats and headbands?
- Are you learning a new skill to enable you to help someone?
- Could you help someone start sowing seeds for the very first time?
- Are you worried about someone?
- Write to Tessa or to me and let's keep helping one another through these challenging months.

He suggests these Links from Faith at Home

The Faith at Home site itself:

<https://churchofengland.org/faith-action/faith-home>

Excerpt from an assembly - <https://vimeo.com/413185654>

Worship for Everyone Film - <https://vimeo.com/412881668/40615770>

or <https://worshipforeveryone.com/looking-to-the-rainbow>

(A class in lockdown singing Looking to the Rainbow—Tessa and Sue Thompson really enjoyed this.)

What kind of CofE? - (Young people's views.)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fZBycR7FBs4>

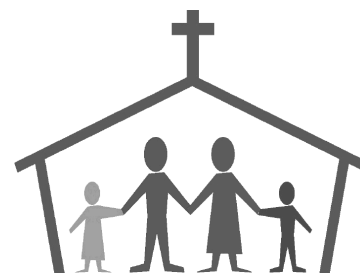
My Adonai - <https://www.thefuelcast.com/library/2019-02-21-my-adonai> (This is a poem about Jesus. Tessa found it stuck occasionally and you needed to move it forward slightly.)

<https://worshipforeveryone.com> which has ideas for teaching, songs, etc.

David also has a new blog

<https://frombehindthepillar.blogspot.com>

This is very much focused on ministry – the impact of COVID-19 on parish ministry and online worship and the future of the church.



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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 speak to the Church Wardens (see below).

Our Church Wardens are:

Sue Ward 0121 453 3180 and Sue Bryant 01527 835728

To book All Saints' Church Hall for an event: Please phone
Tony Turpin on 01527 876659.

All Saints' Organist Julian Manchee's contacts are 01299 827866
and 07585 273957; email: julian.manchee@gmail.com

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**If you have any items for the
Newsletter, please send them to me
by Wednesday lunch-time.**

Thank you.