

**All Saints Church, Bromsgrove
Christmas 2020**

(Don't forget to wear your mask!)

Christmas Eve Thursday 24th December

3.00-5.00pm St Godwald's Drop-in Nativity (see p.7)
11.30pm All Saints Midnight (also on zoom)

Christmas Day Friday 25th December

9.30am St Godwald's Holy Communion (also on zoom)

To follow the services on Zoom you will need the appropriate Service and the "Red" Reading Sheet for Christmas. If you are on Zoom, you may like to have wine and bread available for the Communion.

To take part in Midnight Service on zoom use

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Meeting ID: 812 2013 9240 Passcode: 928960

To take part in the Christmas Morning Service on zoom use

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89799584008?pwd=](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89799584008?pwd=MzZmV2IDRGd5ZmQrVW1DTIVOcXlpQT09)

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Meeting ID: 897 9958 4008 Passcode: 131913

If you don't have a computer or a tablet you can use a phone to join the Zoom services with the same ID and Passcode. Listen by telephone using one of these numbers:

0203 051 2874 0203 481 5237

0203 481 5240 0131 460 1196

Sunday 27th December Christmas 1

9.00 am St Godwald's Morning Worship (not on zoom)

10.30 am Christ Church, Catshill (via Zoom) led by Rev. Bev Robertson

Zoom details: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83768085756?pwd=](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83768085756?pwd=Z1VCRTJWWE8waDVwcDM5eVBubWNYdz09)

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**Christmas greetings to all
and a Better New Year !**



The first Sunday in January:

Sunday 3rd January Christmas 2

8am All Saints Holy Communion

10.30am St Godwald's Holy Communion (also on zoom)

4pm Zoom Taizé Service (on zoom)

There will be no Newsletter on 30th December but there may be an email to circulate some services.

A Prayer for Christmas Time:

Dear Lord, Thank you for the birth of your Son on this earth, so that we might become your children. Thank you for the freedom that is found in knowing you and the hope of life both now and forever. Thank you for this time that we can celebrate all that you've done for us and can rejoice in our families and friends. Amen.



Requests for Prayers:

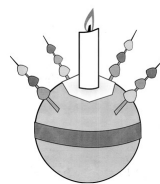
If you would like someone included on the Parish Prayer List (*and have their permission to do so*) please send details to Geoff Westwood geoff.westwood@hotmail.co.uk by the 21st of each month and also to Rev. David Ford. Each name will then be included for the following month only. We are keeping the prayer list up to date. To find the list see: https://bromsgroveparish.org.uk/Groups/338679/Prayer_requests.aspx
This list can be used by leaders of intercessions. Thank you.

Bishop John has had an accident while out cycling. He has broken his leg and is in hospital for an operation. He will be out of action for a while. Please remember him in your prayers.

Drop-in Nativity, Christmas Eve, 24th December 3-5pm at St Godwald's:

The Church and Church Hall will be transformed on Christmas Eve into the Nativity.

It will be a COVID-friendly Christmas experience that people will remember for years. David, Kerstin and Sally warmly invite you and your family to journey through and become part of the wonderful story of Christmas.



THE CHRISTINGLE

**The orange represents the world;
the red ribbon symbolises the love of Christ
spread around the world;
the dried fruit represents all of God's creation
and gifts;
the lit candle represents Jesus's light in the world,
bringing hope to all people.**

You could make your own Christingle as this year there will be no Christingle Service. But the important work of the Children's Society continues. If you would like to support this work you could ask Helen for a Children's Society Box for next year. Or you can send donations to: Children's Society, Whitecross Studios, 50 Banner Street, London EC1Y 8ST

Nativity written by Dogerelle in 2013

Did a donkey really take young Mary to a stable
Because the inn was so full up to stay they were not able?
Was baby Jesus' tiny bed nought but a straw filled manger?
Were both his parents fearful that their babe might be in danger?
Was a journey travelled by three kings both wise and bold,
Bringing gifts of frankincense, sweet myrrh and precious gold?
Did shepherds really watch their flocks all through the night
Guarding them from hungry wolves until the sky was light?
Did an angel really come to give the wondrous message
Foretelling to those humble men what this birth might presage?
This lovely story told each year throughout the generations
Delights the ear and warms the heart and stirs imaginations.
And whether we believe it myth or think it really true
There are no doubt some lessons there just meant for me and you.
Humble shepherds, *generous* kings, angels full of joy
Had attributes and qualities we all could well employ!

Religious broadcasts over Christmas

- **BBC Hereford & Worcester:** You can listen daily to Radio H & W on FM: 94.7, 104, 104.4, or 104.6, 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.

Thursday December 24th Christmas Eve

9.45 am - 10.00 am **Radio 4** Daily Service.

3.00 pm **Radio 4** A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols from King's College, Cambridge.

5.30 pm **BBC 2** Carols from King's College, Cambridge.

11.00 pm **Radio 4** Once in Royal David's City; Choristers who have sung this in the past will be speaking.

11.15 pm **ITV** Carols at Christmas from St Elizabeth's Church, Greater Manchester.

11.30 pm to 12.45 am **Radio 4** Midnight Mass from Manchester Cathedral. Preacher Dt David Walker, Bishop of Manchester (the former Bishop of Dudley).

11.45 pm to 12.45 pm **BBC 1** Midnight Mass from Clifton RC Cathedral, Bristol.

Friday December 25th Christmas Day

6.55 am **BBC 2** Repeat of Carols from King's College, Cambridge.

9.00 - 9.45 am **Radio 4** Christmas Service.

10.00 am **BBC 1** Christmas Day Eucharist, a service from the Church of God of Prophecy, Birmingham.

1.00 pm **Radio 3** A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols from King's College, Cambridge (Repeat).

3.00 - 3.10 pm **BBC 1** The Queen's Christmas Day Address

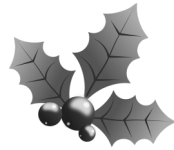
5.50 - 6.00 pm **BBC 2** The Queen's Christmas Day Address (Repeat)

Sunday December 27th

8.10—8.45 am **Radio 4** Sunday Worship with the Archbishop of Canterbury preaching from his Lambeth Palace home.

9.10 - 9.40 am **BBC 1** Sunday Worship from Llandaff Cathedral.

1.20 - 1.55 pm **BBC 1** Songs of Praise: talking about Gospel Music.



Friday January 1st New Year's Day

9.45—10.00 am **Radio 4 FM** The Book of the Week: The Bible, given by Dr John Barton.

9.45—10.00 am **Radio 4 LW** Daily Service.



Clare's Bromsgrove Parish Friends WhatsApp group

To join the Bromsgrove Parish Friends WhatsApp Group on your mobile phone:

(a) download WhatsApp onto a phone or tablet.

(b) send a text or WhatsApp message to Clare Page 0794 026 9625.

This Parish Friends Group is for us to keep in touch, for fellowship, and exchange of pictures, chat, news and jokes.

The On-line Bible Study meets on Zoom on

Thursday mornings, 11am to 12 noon. The next meeting will be on **Thursday 31st December** when the group will be looking at the Acts of the Apostles

Chapter 12. **Newcomers are welcome to join this friendly group.**

Join the Bible Study Zoom Meeting using:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88377515677?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88377515677?pwd=cTRXYW41NkZXeHFrZmUyU01qMksrUT09)

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Meeting ID: 883 7751 5677 Passcode: ix7235



Don't forget: Over Christmas, keep in touch with all your friends, whether or not they are church members.



Stewardship donations to the Church: The church needs our regular donations very much during Covid-19.

If you are unable to pay through the Bank: Any donations that you have been saving, may be collected from your home. Please get in touch with Rev. David Ford (01527 873831) or churchwarden Sue Bryant (01527 835728).

Those who use the Bank for giving, please continue to do so. The Church Barclays Bank account details are:

Name of account: DCC of All Saints Bromsgrove

Sort code: 20 98 61 **Account Number:** 40429198

When asked for a reference, quote your name.

Alternatively you can go to the Bromsgrove Parish web-site and follow the links for All Saints, then Giving, **or** you can use

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

Follow instructions using your Bank Card securely.

Or this QR code for All Saints can be scanned with a mobile phone. It will take you straight to the giving page for All Saints' on the web site.



All Saints' Donations to The Basement Food Bank:

We are delighted that since March we have collected a total of £1867 from All Saints and friends. In addition to money sent via

Mike, other money has been sent directly. Keep up the donations — we know they are greatly needed!

How to donate: Just phone Mike Carrick on 01527 873135 or email him on mikecarrick34@gmail.com, saying how much you want to donate. He can send a donation from his own money for that amount and

will reclaim the amount from you when convenient. Or, send a cheque now to:

M.E.Carrick, 45 Brook Court, Burcot Lane, Bromsgrove, B60 1AD.



Rector Rev. David Ford's address :

The Vicarage, 15 Finstall Rd,
Bromsgrove, B60 2EA.

His telephone is 01527 873831;
mobile: 07973 412625;

email: revdavidford@googlemail.com

David's usual day off is Thursday.

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, please speak to the Church Wardens (above).

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 this week are Tuesday: 9.30 am - 1.30 pm but she will be on holiday the following week.

To book All Saints' Church Hall for an event when it becomes possible again: 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

Information for the Newsletter:

Please let me have any news or items for the next Newsletter by lunchtime on Tuesday.

Tessa Carrick

Telephone 01527 873135

or email tessa@carrick.myzen.co.uk.

Thank you.

