

## ST GODWALD'S CHURCH, FINSTALL

**SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2021**

**Second Sunday after Trinity**

### **Alternative Collect for today:**

Faithful Creator,  
whose mercy never fails:  
deepen our faithfulness to you  
and to your living Word,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

**13<sup>th</sup> June - Trinity 2**

**10.30 am Holy Communion at All Saints**

- led by Revd David Ford (also on zoom)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7128248561>

**Meeting ID: 712 824 8561**

**Use one of these numbers to connect to any service using your telephone only:**

Dial by your location

0203 901 7895

0131 460 1196

0203 481 5237

0203 481 5240

0208 080 6591

**6.00 pm Celtic Evening Service**

- led by Rosemary Sumner (zoom)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83929642494>

**Meeting ID: 839 2964 2494**

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

**20<sup>th</sup> June - Trinity 3**

**9.45 am Holy Communion at St Godwald's**

-led by Revd David Ford

**6.00 pm Iona Service**

- led by Judith Rowe

### **HOME COMMUNION**

If you are unable to come to church, for whatever reason, home communion is available from the clergy and others. Please let David know of your needs.

### **GROCERY COLLECTION FOR ST BASIL'S**

Donations of grocery items for St Basil's and NewStarts would be gratefully received on the Sundays that St Godwald's Church is open for worship; 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> June. Future dates will be notified on the Newsletter nearer the time

### **BIBLE STUDY COFFEE MORNING**

There will be no further Bible Study on Thursdays or the foreseeable future. Please see notice on this newsletter about a new **Study Group on Zoom**



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### **LOVE YOUR BURIAL GROUND WEEK**



**5<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> June is Love your Burial Ground Week.**

The charity 'Caring for God's Acre' has produced a lovely guide to visiting your local churchyard and

the kinds of plants, trees, insects and animals you might find there.

David still has a number guides to give away to anyone interested in visiting **St**



**Godwald's Churchyard**, especially during this special week. The guide is ideal for parents or grandparents with children in first or middle school.

We plan to participate in the Worcestershire Best Kept Churchyard Competition. The first inspection will take place between 27 June and 11 July. There will be churchyard working parties during week commencing 21 June, probably in the evenings - and weather dependent of course. More details soon.

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### **Future Strategy of the Church of England**

If you would like to contribute to development of thinking around the future strategy of the Church of England, an online survey has been created by the vision group at Church House. It doesn't take long to complete and personal details do not need to be left:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CofEvision>

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## **CONTACT DETAILS:**

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***NB: David's day off is from 5.00 pm  
Wednesday until Thursday evening.***

### **Heather Evans - our Parish Administrator**

Heather's hours are 9.30am-1.30pm on  
Tuesdays and Wednesdays. In order to  
provide Heather with a COVID19 safe  
environment, the parish office, Ruth Heald  
Room, toilets and kitchens at St Godwald's are  
now considered 'out of bounds' please.

Heather welcomes visitors but please arrange  
this in advance and all visitors must wear a  
face mask. Heather's email is

[p.a.bromsgroveparish@gmail.com](mailto:p.a.bromsgroveparish@gmail.com)

and the office telephone number is 577759

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## **Government Legislation**

The Government is proposing a new piece of  
legislation that would put a counter-terrorism  
obligation on all places of worship, and  
especially on those whose capacities exceed  
100 people. The easiest way to meet the  
obligations under the proposed legislation is to  
keep our churches closed.

The Archdeacon of London has written a very  
helpful blog on this that I encourage everyone  
to read. A consultation on the legislation is  
underway and there is a link in the following  
piece if you wish to respond.

Whilst there is some logic to the legislation for  
places such as the National Gallery, its impact  
on the smallest of our churches could be  
extremely onerous and will lead many small  
rural churches to lock their doors.

<http://frlukemiller.blogspot.com/2021/05/unintended-consequences-of-protect-duty.html>

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## **Welcome to our new Curate!**

Richard and Kath Sandland will be joining us in  
July as Richard begins his curacy in Bromsgrove.  
There is a leaflet available to help us prepare  
for their arrival and to support them as they  
begin this new chapter in their lives.

If you would like one, it is available by email or  
contact Revd David Ford. Contact details are in  
this newsletter.

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**A new Study Group on Zoom:** A new weekly  
group will start on Friday 16th July at  
11.00 am. The group will follow a discussion  
guide to explore what it means to be a  
Christian. The booklets chosen are *Walk the  
Jesus Walk*, by John Simmonds, and the second  
booklet by the same author, *Jesus then and  
Now*. A number of booklets have been  
ordered already. If you would like to join the  
discussion group, please get in touch with  
Tessa Carrick 01527 873135  
or [tessa@carrick.myzen.co.uk](mailto:tessa@carrick.myzen.co.uk), to order a copy  
which will not cost more than £2.

ID Code will be available nearer the time.

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## **ST GODWALD'S CHURCH 100 CLUB**

Membership fees for those paying half-yearly  
are now due and I should be grateful if you  
would let me have payment for the six months  
July to December 2021.

(Cheques payable to St. Godwald's DCC)

The next 100 Club Draw will take place on  
Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> June 2021 after the 9.45 am  
Service.

Pat Archer

## **CLIMATE CHANGE**

This is a very relevant issue and it was recently a major topic at Diocesan Synod. The following are links to some very interesting and informative resources:

Watch the short film on the views of young people

here: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/science-environment-56001191>

- The Church of England's Net Zero webinars: <https://www.churchofengland.org/about/environment-and-climate-change/webinars-getting-net-zero-carbon> (Including a number of webinars from our diocesan Heating Adviser under the 'webinars on low carbon solutions - heating, lighting, solar and more' section. The one this Tuesday is 'to replace or not to replace'.)
- A practical path to zero net carbon: <https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2021-01/the-practical-path-to-net-zero-carbon-numbered-Jan2020.pdf>
- Resources for 'sustainable preaching' based around the weekly Sunday lectionary: <http://sustainable-preaching.org/>
- Climate Sunday resources: <https://www.climatesunday.org/>