



**ALL SAINTS' AND ST GODWALD'S
SUNDAY 23rd AUGUST 2026
The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**



Prayer for the Week

God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sunday 23rd August: The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

9.00 am St Godwald's: Holy Communion (BCP) led by Rev'd Dr Alan Conant

10.30 am St Godwald's: Morning Worship led by Emma Morris and Judith Rowe

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

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Next Week's Services:

Saturday 29th August:

5.00 pm St Godwald's Café/Pizza Church

Sunday 30th August: The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30 am St Michael's, Stoke Prior: Team Service

PASTORAL CARE AT ALL SAINTS' AND ST GODWALD'S

We are keen to ensure that everyone feels included and supported as members of our church family. If you would like pastoral support, a phone call, visit, or Home Communion (or you know someone who would like such support), and can't get to church, please speak to a member of the clergy team or pass on a message via the church office.

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, August 29th 2026 at 5.00pm** (and every last Saturday of the month).

SOUL AND SENSES SERVICE

This is a Service at **All Saints' Church**, usually held on the **SECOND SATURDAY of each month** at **5.00pm** and lasts around 40 minutes and includes reflective prayer, music and poetry.

The next service will be on **SATURDAY 12th SEPTEMBER at 5.00 pm**. Please come and join us in wondering and exploring what God is saying to and with us. All are very welcome for a time of quiet and reflection.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

Emilia, Rhoda, Pat Archer, Tim Pinfield, Nickie Schirmacher, Tessa Carrick and Jan Hewer.

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 Christian Union at North Bromsgrove High School.

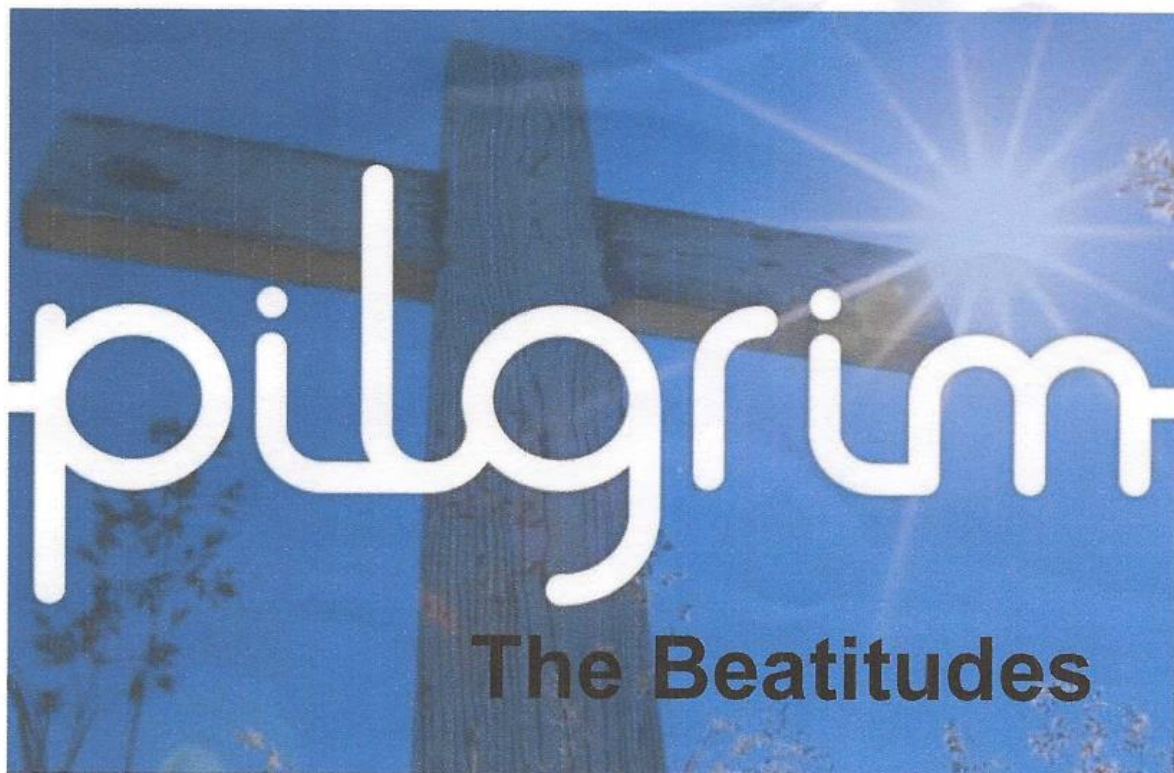
Please include our schools – First, Middle and High – in our prayers.

A MESSAGE from Fr DAVID LINGWOOD

"We are very grateful for the intercessions of you all at St Godwald's and All Saints', following my diagnosis of prostate cancer. Your prayers have been a great source of comfort and strength during a dark time.

I am pleased to say that following six hours of surgery my consultant has now pronounced me cancer free. This, of course, is not the end of my recovery journey. The side-effects of this operation can be quite severe and long lasting. I shall be under the Urology Department's care for at least the next two years. I shall therefore continue to appreciate your private prayers, but I feel this is the appropriate time for my name to be removed from the public intercession list.

*Thank you again from both of us for all your support and good wishes.
Fr David & Mary Lingwood."*



Building our lives on the teaching
and example of Jesus

**A six-week course:
Thursday July 30th to Thursday 3rd Sept
2-3:30pm**

**The Ruth Heald Room, St Godwald's
Church, Fininstall Rd B60 2EA**

HOW TO KEEP WELL-HYDRATED from Dr Paddy Blacker

In this very hot weather, we are being urged to stay well hydrated by drinking plenty. There are many proprietary drinks available in the shops but here is a recipe that was recommended by the World Health Organisation to populations that were prone to dehydrating conditions.

It is a very simple solution at minimum cost with the ingredients being available in most people's homes.

In a large container add 1 pint (500 mL) of clean cold water.

Add four heaped teaspoons full of sugar (not sweetener!) Half a teaspoonful of salt and the juice of half a lemon (optional but makes it taste much better). Stir well until the salt and sugar have been dissolved and drink freely. The solution is not recommended for diabetics.

Keep unused solution in the fridge and make a large jug of it using the same proportions if required. This is a much less expensive rehydration drink than those of the "sports variety" and to my mind it tastes an awful lot better.

While I was in practice I recommended it to many of my patients with beneficial results.

Please feel free to distribute this to any of your friends or family.

Dr Paddy Blacker

ALL SAINTS'



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.

The Mothers Union are visiting the Roman Catholic Church, The Sacred Heart in Droitwich, Monday 21st September @ 2.30 pm to view the beautiful mosaics surrounding the walls.

If there are at least ten people attending, a guide will be provided to explain all relevant details associated with the mosaics.

Afterwards there will be refreshments. Lifts for three people are available.

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)

2nd 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: 10.30am Team Service ONLY if at All Saints' Church

ALL SAINTS' MAGAZINE ARCHIVE: Help us fill the gaps!

All Saints' magazine archive helps document the church's history. The archive is very comprehensive between the late 1800s and the mid-1950s, but more patchy during the second half of the 20th century. Equally it is less well preserved during the latter period and is unlikely to survive in the same way as the earlier history of the church. We are looking into binding (and possibly digitising) the archive from 1950 to when it concludes in the mid-2010s both for preservation and to allow easier access to the material. Before binding, we are keen to ensure the archive is as complete as possible and so we are appealing to anyone who may still have copies of the magazines.

We are particularly keen to hear from anyone who has copies of any of the magazines published between 1965 and 1989 inclusive. If you have any magazines in this 25 year window, please contact Sarah or Steve Bull (07762 614 551 or Sabull2001@aol.com). We would be happy to copy the magazine if you don't wish to donate your original copy. Thank you in advance for helping preserve the church's history for generations to come.

THE BASEMENT PROJECT

Please remember to keep supporting the Basement Project.

More information at www.basementproject.org.



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. Gill Richards (All Saints on 07824368584).



THANK YOU AGAIN AND PLEASE DO KEEP COLLECTING THEM ☺

ST GODWALD'S

TOTWALDS

Totwalds is our worship time in church for 0-5 year-olds and their parents/carers. There is always a Bible story, lovely songs and an activity.

Totwalds is now on its summer break. **We will return on Monday 7th September at 9.30 am.**

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 **Fridays 28th August and 11th September 2026 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; the fellowship and fundraising are instrumental in raising money for St Basils and other charities.



COFFEE AND COMPANY

On alternate Friday mornings when the Community Cafe is not running, we have **Coffee and Company**. This is a space for chat, hot drinks and biscuits.

The next session is Friday 21st August from 10.00 – 12.00

All welcome!

CHURCH CLEANING at ST GODWALD'S



Our next session of communal church cleaning (**mainly dusting and hoovering**) will be on **Friday 21st August from 10.00 – 11.00 am**, joining with **Coffee and Company** in the Ruth Heald Room afterwards.

All Welcome – Many hands make light work!

HERITAGE OPEN DAYS

We're hoping to open St Godwald's as part of the **National Heritage Open Days festival in September**. The plan is to be **open on Saturday September 12th and Sunday September 13th between 10am and 4pm**.

We're looking for volunteers who'd be willing to be present in the church for an hour or two, along with another person (so you won't be on your own.)

Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church, or speak to Caroline Spencer.

ST GODWALD'S and ALL SAINTS' SERVICES for SEPTEMBER:

Sunday 6th September: The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

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

Sunday 13th September: The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00 am St Godwald's: Holy Communion (BCP) led by Rev'd Deb Buckley

10.30 am All Saints': Joint Holy Communion (CW) with St Godwald's led by Rev'd Deb Buckley

Sunday 20th September: The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

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.

Saturday 26th September:

5.00 pm St Godwald's Café/Pizza Church

Sunday 27th September: The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00 am St Godwald's: Holy Communion (BCP) led by Rev'd Dr Alan Conant

10.30 am St Godwald's: Morning Worship led by Emma Morris and Judith Rowe

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

CONTACT DETAILS:



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Church Halls)

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pa.bromsgroveparish@gmail.com

Please scan 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

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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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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 a Tuesday,**

Thank you, Catherine Maund: cmaund1@sky.com