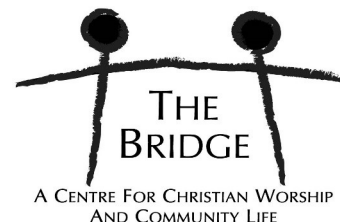


This week at The Bridge		
Sunday 1st March	9.00am	Morning Worship Rev Ruth Wilsont
	10.30am	Holy Communion Rev Glenn and Rev Victoria
	10.30am	Café Church - Maureen Brown and Helen Reading
Tuesday 3rd March	10.00am	Little Fishes
	2.00pm	Mothers Union
	6.00pm	Girls Brigades
Wednesday 4th March	9.30am	Holy Communion
Friday 6th March	6.00pm	Boys Brigades
Sunday 8th March	10.30am	Combined service led by Girls Brigade and Rev Ruth

Music for 1 March 2020			
<i>Organ</i>	<i>Choral preludes (All glory be to God)</i>		<i>Zachu, Vetter, Pachelbel</i>
Hymns	Praise to the Holiest in the height	334	Singing the Faith
	Forty days and forty nights	236	
	Be though my vision	545	
	Eat this bread, drink this cup	583	
	Lead us, heavenly Father	238	
Organ	Air (from Water Music)		Handel

**Rev Ian Duncan**, former minister and Superintendent in the Redditch Circuit in the late 1980's and early 1990's sadly passed away last Thursday. Please hold in prayer his wife Mary, daughters Fiona and Alison and their family.

Please give any for inclusion in this weekly news-sheet by Wednesday of each week, to Matthew Bailey or Roger Ling  
or send them via email to: [bailey\\_matt@btinternet.com](mailto:bailey_matt@btinternet.com) **and** [roger.j.ling@virginmedia.com](mailto:roger.j.ling@virginmedia.com)



# WELCOME

## 1st March 2020

A warm welcome to our services today  
especially if this is your first visit to The Bridge.

The tempter came to him and said "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread." Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man does not live by bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God'"  
**Matthew 4 vv3,4**

### HEATING EMERGENCY

The church boiler, which is 38 years old, has been condemned as unsafe and has been disconnected, so we have no central heating system. It is beyond repair.

As an interim measure temporary heating will be used in the church and this is now in place .

**The 9.00am service will be held each week in the Small Hall until further notice.**

Advice is being received about replacing our boiler and the heating system generally. There will obviously be a considerable cost implication, at present unknown, so funds will need to be raised.

All this will take some time and in all probability we will need to rely on our temporary arrangements until the summer, so please be patient.

More information will be shared as soon as possible.



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### LENT COURSE

The TV series, 'Broken', written by Jimmy McGovern and starring Sean Bean is set in an estate parish somewhere in the UK. The series focuses on the life and ministry Father Michael Kerrigan, a Roman Catholic, priest who, despite past trauma and anxiety about his own inadequacies, attempts to bring the light of Christ into the lives of the people amongst whom he ministers. The series portrays real life at its most gritty and unvarnished, and in doing so raises many questions along the way about how to live faithfully when life is very hard.

The sessions will run Tuesday Evenings at Astwood Bank Vicarage @ 7.30pm on the following dates:

Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> March Tue 10<sup>th</sup> March Tue 17<sup>th</sup> March Tue 24<sup>th</sup> March Tue 31<sup>st</sup> March

There will be no Lent course at The Bridge this year..

### DATE FOR THE DIARY – WELCOME DAY FEEDBACK MEETING

Last October we held a whole day gathering thinking about how our church can be a 'Welcoming Church'. A feedback meeting has been arranged for **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 7.30 p.m.** in our hall.

This meeting will provide an opportunity to receive feedback from the various surveys and to discuss what we can adopt and implement to achieve our aim of being a truly Welcoming Church.

As a result of the devastating floods that have affected parts of our District and our neighbouring District (Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury) we have set up a flood appeal. Should any churches or individuals wish to donate, details of how to do so are below. Thank you.

**Flood appeal - payments to Birmingham Methodist District**

**Please make cheque payable to: Birmingham Methodist District**

**and send to: Mrs Helen Lynskey 7 Reed Mace Drive Bromsgrove Worcs B61 0UJ**

**or BACS payments can be made to: Payee: Birmingham Methodist District**

**Account Number: 65503733 Sort Code: 08-92-99 (reference "Flood")**

**The Methodist Church – Birmingham District**

[www.birminghammethodist.org.uk](http://www.birminghammethodist.org.uk) | Registered Charity no. 1134167

The **World day of Prayer** service is in the Emmanuel Centre, Kingfisher Walk, at 2pm on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.

Everyone is welcome. It is a great service, drawn up by the women of Zimbabwe, so lots of colour and singing.

Judith Grubb

### 1<sup>st</sup> REDDITCH GIRLS' BRIGADE YOUNG LEADERS AND THE BRIDGE CHURCH CHARITY SHOP

PRESENT

**A FASHION SHOW**

31<sup>st</sup> march 2020

7pm-8pm

at the Bridge Church Community hall

TICKETS: £3.00 – ADULTS

£1.50 – CHILDREN

Tickets available from GB or Charity Shop or contact: Tracey Gration on

[tracey.gration@1stredditch.com](mailto:tracey.gration@1stredditch.com) or

Maureen Brown on [mabrown1@virginmedia.com](mailto:mabrown1@virginmedia.com)

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### PECKWOOD VISION DAY

**Saturday 7th March**

**10am –1pm**

Find out what Peckwood Centre is all about. Discover its past and bring your vision for its future.

Light lunch included.

See the notice board for more details

### MOSAICS FOR ALL PROJECT - SUNDAY 8TH MARCH

1st Redditch Girls' Brigade have secured a grant for a piece of art work to go in the foyer of The Bridge Church Community Hall. 'Mosaics for All' delivered by Karen Osborne from KAOS-ARTS will launch the exciting project and deliver a presentation on Sunday 8th March in the Community Hall after the service at 11.30am. All are welcome to come along and see how you can get involved in working on and helping create a fabulous centre piece for all to enjoy.

Thank you Tracey Gration