

Praying the News: As we read or watch the news, let it move us to prayer rather than despair. Each story is an invitation to bring our world, its leaders, and its suffering to God in hope and trust.

Praying for Wick and Kingley Gate – Road of the Week: **Henry Lock Way.**

Dear Lord, We place the name of Jesus over **Henry Lock Way** all who live, work and travel there. May they know the light of your presence, the joy of your peace and the hope of your guidance. We ask this in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.

Pray for wholeness and healing: For Mary Jones, Roger Purdom, Richard Fernando, Dan, Sandra Ostler, Marian Ayres, Angie Johnson, Nancy Fellows, the Batchelors, Eileen Vause, Jeff and Norman (Jenny Tillman's brother).
If you would like something about All Saints or other local churches publicised or would like your name added / taken off the prayer request list above please email Jonathan Black: wickinformation@gmail.com

QR code for General Giving:



All Saints Wick Sunday 3 May
Know, Love & Follow Jesus
Tiny Seeds, Great Kingdom

Our Purpose: Deeply know, love and follow Jesus

A warm welcome to All Saints Church, Wick. We are a diverse church family, welcoming people of all ages and stages of life. On Sundays we gather to worship, pray, and engage with the Bible, encouraging one another in faith, with groups and activities running throughout the week. We hope you feel at home with us.

We offer a range of services to suit different styles. At 9am we gather at All Saints Church for a traditional service, usually with Holy Communion and hymns. Our 10:30am service at Wick Hall is informal, with refreshments from 10am, children's and youth groups, and worship led by a band. On the first Sunday of the month we meet together as one church family, and on the second Sunday at 7pm we gather for extended worship and prayer. During the week, we also meet in small groups, mostly in the evenings, with some daytime groups available. We also have a popular midweek communion service, Wednesdays, 9.30am.

www.allsaintswick.org.uk

Facebook and Private All Saints Wick Group

To contact Lisa, our Priest in Charge - rev.lyminsterwick@gmail.com/ 07925 275184. Lisa is not generally available on Fridays which is her rest day.

OTHER SERVICES AND MEETINGS

Knit and Natter – Mondays 10.15am-12pm in The Garden Room at All Saints

Tots on Tuesday – 10am -11am at Wick Hall. Term time only.

The Garden Room Cafe and Information 1st Tuesday of the month 10- 12

Midweek Service – Wednesdays, 9.30am in All Saints

Coffee Morning – Fridays 9.30am – 12pm in All Saints

Church Prayer Gathering – 3rd Sunday of the month **6-7pm** at All Saints

COLLECT (Worldwide Anglican prayer) for The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

BIBLE READINGS

Psalm 126

1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dreamed. 2 Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy. Then it was said among the nations, 'The Lord has done great things for them.' 3 The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy. 4 Restore our fortunes, Lord, like streams in the Negev. 5 Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy. 6 Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with them.

Ezekiel 17:22-24

22 "This is what the Sovereign Lord says: I myself will take a shoot from the very top of a cedar and plant it; I will break off a tender sprig from its topmost shoots and plant it on a high and lofty mountain. 23 On the mountain heights of Israel I will plant it; it will produce branches and bear fruit and become a splendid cedar. Birds of every kind will nest in it; they will find shelter in the shade of its branches. 24 All the trees of the forest will know that I the Lord bring down the tall tree and make the low tree grow tall. I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. "I the Lord have spoken, and I will do it."

Matthew 13:31-33

31 He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. 32 Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches.' 33 He told them still another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about thirty kilograms of flour until it worked all through the dough.'

SERMON NOTES – What's God been saying to you today?

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Notice of Trustees and Officers of the Parochial Church Council of All Saints

Wick As approved at the Annual Parish (Vestry) Meeting, Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting and PCC Meeting On Sunday 26th April 2026.

Church Wardens: Mrs Jane Hicks and Ms Kerry-Lee Haylett

PCC Members: Mr Steve Barber, Mrs Liz Brooks, Mr Perry Eastaugh, Mrs Carol Groves, Mr George Hicks, Mr Peter Horne, Mr Peter May, Mr Chris Nairne, Mrs Janet Webb and Mr Mark Wilson

Deanery Synod Representatives: Ms Janice Betson, Mr Dave Sax, Mrs Jeannette Sax and Mrs Lea Stavrou

Parish Treasurer: Ms Karen Bluff

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Julia Eastaugh

PCC Secretary: Mrs Liz Brooks

At All Saints we relentlessly and unapologetically keep the focus on Jesus. Our vision: Making Spirit-filled disciples who deeply know, love and follow Jesus.

Values: Disciples who love Jesus | Bible-believing | Passionate about the gospel | Care about the local community | Rooted in Prayer | Holy Spirit dependent | Seek the one.

At the APCM we said a big thank you as these officers stepped down:

Ann Macaulay – Ann has served us so well as Church Warden once again. We can be so thankful to her for bringing her wisdom, kindness and friendliness to the role of Church Warden. She held All Saints in the vacancy (her second vacancy as Church Warden) quietly undertaking all sorts of tasks which enable us worship and serve as the church in Wick. In the last year and a half she has diligently and gently guided us with real grace. In this last year and despite her responsibilities outside the church increasing significantly, she has been a dependable and joyful partner of the gospel. Thank you and God bless you, Ann!

Janis Myers – Janis felt God nudging her to use her gifts and her daughter joined in and encourage her to put herself forward as our treasurer... 16 years ago! As Janis said last Sunday, she was a young women when she took on the role. We are hugely grateful for all that Janis has brought to this role. She has been faithful and dependable, always speaking up for the responsibility of taking care and investing our money into God's mission wisely. We were so glad to give Janis vouchers for

her favourite restaurant and an unusual gift (please ask Janis what it is !)

Jenny Tillman and Phil Wotton came to the end of their three year term as Trustees on the PCC. Very many thanks to both of them for their proactive input into the support and governance which the PCC provides to our church.

We also warmly welcomed newly elected officers:

Kerry Haylett was elected as Church Warden and will serve us all alongside Jane Hicks. Kerry mainly worships at the 10.30am service at Wick Hall and Jane at the 9am. Our church wardens play a key role in the mission and ministry of the local church, please be praying God's strength, wisdom and grace for them and please give them your loving support.

Karen Bluff was recommended to the PCC and APCM by Janis and Lisa and at the subsequent meeting of the PCC last Sunday, was co-opted as our new Treasurer. Please take the time to get to know Karen. Both Janis and Lisa were so encouraged as Karen responded to the nudge to pray about this role. Karen comes to us with a wealth of previous experience as treasurer for All Saints Church Marple.

Janet Webb and Perry Eastaugh were nominated and elected to serve for a further three-year term. **Liz Brooks** who has served as our PCC Secretary is also now elected as a PCC member. Thank you to them all for continuing to love our whole church and serve in the mission of God in this way.

Our Deanery Synod Reps, Janice Betson, Jeannette Sax and Lea Stavrou offered themselves for re- election in this important year of electing members of the Church of England General Synod. Dear Alison Manester left us with a vacancy and so **Dave Sax** was nominated and elected to Deanery Synod. We will therefore have the full complement of representatives. The next DS meeting will be the inauguration of the deanery synod with a Eucharist led by the Archdeacon of Chichester on 16 July.

Huge thanks to our whole PCC, who faithfully and wholeheartedly serve us as Trustees. May they know the wonder of Jesus showing them the way of the kingdom in all they do.

Getting to Know All Saints... Karen Bluff.

I am mainly at these services: mainly 9am/Sometimes10.30am.

1. How did you first come to All Saints, and what has kept you here? I moved to Rustington in April 2025 and I heard that All Saints had a similar style/mission to my previous parish in the North West, which was also All Saints!

2. Can you share a moment when your faith became particularly real or meaningful to you? I was brought up a Christian and attended Christian schools. I can't describe a lightbulb/epiphany moment, but when I left home for university my faith became very important to me. Attending church every Sunday set me up for the week and was particularly important during busy revision/exam periods.

3. What helps you keep going as a Christian in everyday life? Daily prayer and my Christian friends.

4. What's something you're passionate about inside or outside church? My family

5. A testimony we are hearing in discipleship/home groups is from a believer in Iran who had her Bible confiscated while kept in detention. Instead she wrote Scriptures on the walls of her cell as she asked the Holy Spirit to call them to mind. Which verse/s would you write on the wall if this were you? Proverbs 3:5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and never rely on your own understanding. Psalm 91:1 Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty

6. How can we pray for you at the moment? For a good transition of treasurer duties from Janis and that I will be able to add value in my new role.

7. My favourite way to spend a day off? I'm newly retired so every day feels like a day off! love walking in the countryside or attending a rugby match.

It would be wonderful for us all to get to know you better too, please share your answers at rev.lyminsterwick@gmail.com

Update on Roger Purdom - Margaret writes...Update Week 2: We've experienced many difficult days but also many answers to prayer - and today the encouraging song in my head and heart is: God

will make a way, where there seems to be no way... Roger is exhausted and very traumatised, and has severe neck pain when he changes position. He also still has significant difficulties with swallowing and vision. The ophthalmologist has requested another scan to clarify the cause of his visual difficulties. Stoke hospital is the Specialist Trauma Centre for the N. Midlands and the staff come from all over the world - including Ghana, Nigeria, India & Romania. The last 2 are believers & have been very supportive. So we have much to be grateful for. But we value your continued prayer for Roger & all the family. X

Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of Tony Jones – Mary has let us know that Tony's service will take place at Worthing Crematorium, Wednesday 6 th May, 3pm. Please be praying for Mary and her family.

ALM Commissioning Service at Chichester Cathedral, Saturday 9 th May, 11am – All Saints Wick will be well represented at this service when Bishop Ruth authorises 5 members of our church. Please be praying for Lisa Holland (Pastoral Ministry), Fliss Jay (Mission Enabler), Karen Masanjika (Pastoral Ministry), Jeannette Sax (Preaching and Worship & Liturgy), Lea Stavrou (Preaching). Congratulations to all five as they discern the shape of the ministry to which God is calling each of them.

Authorised Lay Ministry & Bishop's Certificate Prospectus 2026/2027, applications are now open. See the prospectus here or on the Chichester Diocese website. Safeguarding and DBS required for different courses. Prior qualification required for preaching elective.

Bring & Share Cake Party in Memory of Alison Manester

Sunday 17th May – 3pm to 4:30pm in All Saints Church building. Alison was a beacon of welcome and hospitality within All Saints and a true example of how to serve God in the church and community. To reflect on the impact that Alison had and for us to be encouraged and inspired by her actions, we are holding a bring and share cake party on what would have been her birthday. Those who did not have the pleasure of meeting Alison, are welcome to join us to share fellowship and to hear how God used Alison to make everyone feel so welcomed to All Saints. If you will be attending, please sign up on one of the sheets on the noticeboards, respond via Facebook or let Jenny Tillman or Clare Purdom know. Please bring a cake if you can that is pre-portioned. During the afternoon there will be time to

share memories of Alison and to encourage each other. If you wish to share something, please let Jenny or Clare know.

Hungry Discipleship – Did you know that the Iranian Church is one of the fastest growing churches at the moment? One person is discipling another, as they simply invite them to open the Bible together and see what it says about God, living free and staying strong. This term discipleship groups, small and home groups are hearing stirring testimonies and following the same steps and being equipped to disciples others one to one, to more deeply know love and follow Jesus. Would you like to join in this term or gather a few friends and explore it for yourself? Contact Lisa or Liz: rev.lyminsterwick@gmail.com or Liz officeallsaintswick@gmail.com

Fake News, Scams and Lies: The Need for Truth – join James Mildred, Director of CARE (Christian Action Research Education). Sunday 7 th June, 6–8pm, St P & P Rustington. Reserve tickets through <https://theneedfortruth.eventbrite.co.uk/> or ctrep2025@proton.me

What is the New Wine Festival? 28th July–2 nd August

Celebrations Celebrations are times in the main venues each day where we all gather for worship, prayer, teaching, and ministry – each with its own unique flavour. We're joined by speakers from within the New Wine family and beyond to go deeper in faith and encounter God afresh through times of prayer. Prayer ministry will be offered at all celebration times and we encourage those who wish to join in with praying for others to complete our safe prayer ministry training before the event.

Big Top Join with thousands of others to be inspired and challenged through a time of sung worship, encouraging teaching and space for Spirit-filled prayer ministry. Big Top sessions are hosted by a team of our New Wine Leadership and are a core part of our time together.

Impact Impact Celebrations are energetic and authentic, and led by a team of Urban church leaders and practitioners. Using creative and raw storytelling, Impact seeks to highlight God's work through the beauty and uniqueness of our urban communities. Impact has a focus on those who live and work in urban communities – the places often forgotten, where life can be at its most honest and challenging and yet have a deep hope and joy. The team are all on the front lines in our communities, and our hope is to host impactful times of worship, word and encounters with Jesus.

Awaken These gatherings are times of worship, teaching and practical prayer ministry, focussed on equipping and empowering us to contend in prayer for a move of the Spirit in our time, within local churches to see nations changed. We'll explore ministry in the power of the Holy Spirit together and have lots of pressure-free spaces in these gatherings and within the breakout streams for workshops to practice and encourage each other in spiritual gifts.

Breakouts Breakouts are sessions that invite us to grow together through worship, teaching, prayer, and conversation. They're a key part of the New Wine week – designed to help us hear what God is saying to us as a family. You'll find a mix of formats – from larger gatherings to smaller, more interactive sessions, hosted by members of the New Wine network, with some guest speakers joining as well.

Rise Rise is our early morning Bible teaching, where we journey together through a book or passage of Scripture over the course of the week. It's a peaceful, focused time to start the day grounded in God's Word.

Chapel Chapel is a reflective service with a short time of worship, a thought for the day, and space for quiet prayer. This lectio-style service is the perfect way to pause, listen, and meet with God in the middle of it all.

Intergenerational We love God's family – the church! And what could be better than all ages worshipping together with interactive songs and actions? Intergenerational sessions are breakouts and activities specifically designed for the whole family – kids, teenagers and adults together. Find worship, teaching and fun that speaks to every age and helps families grow in faith side by side.

Streams Streams are programme items that span across multiple venues or times throughout the week. A few are listed below:

Young Adult Collective (YAC) YA Collective are places for young adults (18-29s) to connect, worship and grow as disciples. We believe that by meeting together from across the nation to inspire and encourage one another, we can see a generation of young leaders released to impact society and change the spiritual temperature!

Late Night Late Night is everything happening after the evening Celebrations, with something for every vibe – from high-energy music and dancing, to relaxed lounges, games and quizzes, extended times of prayer and worship, and special one-off events. It's the perfect way to round off your day at the Festival!

Fun Zone and if you are seeking a fun-filled experience, head to the Fun Zone!

Wick Parade Please continue to be cautious about parking in Wick Parade. Although Alison Griffiths has announced that the landlord has asked the parking company to stop fining shoppers who leave the perimeter of the car park to shop elsewhere, it is not clear if people can park and go further afield. We are not yet aware of the new terms of parking. Aside from that, please continue to prefer others to ourselves, prioritising the good of Wick, and praying for the livelihoods of the shops and businesses. Jeremiah 29:7 – But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. (ESV)

Consultation for our new Bishop Survey As you are aware, Bishop Martin retires at the end of May. As a diocesan family, we are preparing to search for the next Bishop of Chichester. The Vacancy in See Committee has launched a consultation to hear the views of as many people as possible across our communities. This anonymous survey should take no more than 10 minutes to complete. It closes on 26th May 2026. We would love as many of our church family to fill out the survey as possible. The link to the survey is: tinyurl.com/next-bishop You can find out more about the process for appointing our next bishop at www.chichester.anglican.org/vacancy-in-see/ Thank you for your support with this.

Eco Church and Eco Diocese • Equipping us to care for Creation

DIOCESAN ENVIRONMENT DAY

St Peter's Church & Centre, Church Street, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 2HE
Saturday May 16th 2026 • 9.30 am to 4 pm

'Speaking up for Creation'

Keynote Speaker: Polly Eaton, A Rocha UK

Choose workshops • drinks & cake provided • bring your own lunch

The Revd Buff Forbes Stone
Diocesan Environment Officer
environment.officer@chichester.anglican.org
07954 652824

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FXVQ>

Scan to book online

ECO CHURCH
AN A ROCHA UK PROJECT

Net Zero Carbon 2030

DIOCESE OF CHICHESTER
TO KNOW-LOVE-FOLLOW JESUS