

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

New Wine Festival 2026 – We have a village! All Saints Wick Village with a number of us already booked. Six days of gathering to encounter the Holy Spirit across all ages and to be renewed to play our part in Local Churches Changing Nations. 28 July – 2 August; Bath & West Showground. If you can't pay it all up front, how about putting aside £43.50 a month (adult), £34 a month for six months now? Encountering Jesus, spending time with friends, and having a lot of fun – what's not to love?

Praying the News: Rather than switching off the news, consider praying for each news story for we are called to bring the world and its needs to God in prayer.

Praying for our Church family: This week we give thanks to God and pray for all those involved in the **Men's Ministry**.

Praying for Wick and Kingley Gate – Road of the Week: **Daisyfields**.

Dear Lord, We place the name of Jesus over **Daisyfields** – 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 Eileen Vause, Marian Ayres, Don Ellis, David & Margaret Millidge, Angie Johnson, Nancy Fellows, Jeff, Dan and Beccy Jenkins, Gill Haworth, the Batchelors, Susan, Ian, Sarah's family & relatives of church family: Sophie, Jean, Jamie Colclough (Val Stewart's son), Steve (Jonathan Black's Dad).

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

All Saints Wick Sunday 5 October
Know, Love & Follow Jesus We belong in God's family

A very warm welcome to All Saints Church, Wick. We are a community of all kinds of people – All ages and stages of life. We offer a variety of services on a Sunday and have various groups through the week. We hope everyone from the youngest to the oldest will feel at home. Sunday is a big day for us when we worship, pray, engage with the Bible, and encourage one another in our faith.

Our 9 am traditional service at All Saints Church normally includes holy communion with hymns. Our 10:30 am at Wick Hall is an informal service, (10 am for refreshments) includes groups for children and young people and we sing with a band. On the first Sunday of the month, we have an All Together Service for the whole church family. Our 7 pm Service, once a month (2nd Sunday) is where we meet for a time of extended sung worship and prayer as we expectantly wait to hear what God is saying to us. A Church of Small Groups – During The week the church family meets together in small groups. Most groups meet in the evening, but there are some daytime ones.

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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

In person prayer gathering – 3rd Sunday of the month **6–7pm** at All Saints

COLLECT (Worldwide Anglican prayer) for The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

BIBLE READING

John 1:12

Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

1 John 3:1a

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

Psalms 68:4-6

4 Sing to God, sing in praise of his name, extol him who rides on the clouds; rejoice before him – his name is the Lord. 5 A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling. 6 God sets the lonely in families, he leads out the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.

Ephesians 2:11-22

11 Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called 'uncircumcised' by those who call themselves 'the circumcision' (which is done in the body by human hands) – 12 remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14 For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, 15 by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, 16 and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. 17 He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. 18 For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit. 19 Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the

chief cornerstone. 21 In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. 22 And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

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

'And Can It Be...?'

Last Sunday, we had a moment at the 9am at All Saints – not because everything went smoothly, but precisely because it didn't. We were due to sing "And Can It Be," that great hymn of awe and wonder at the grace of God. But when the technology let us down, the words didn't appear.

We tried. Some of us sang with confidence, others quietly hummed along, and many of us mumbled the lines we half-knew. It wasn't for lack of love or enthusiasm. It was simply that we couldn't remember all the words.

It struck me, in that moment, how easy it is to forget even familiar truths when we don't have them in front of us. If we can't accurately recall one well-loved hymn, how much harder is it to rely on memory alone when it comes to Scripture which is God's living Word?

The Bible is a gift, of 66 books, hundreds of chapters, thousands of verses, all breathed out by God for our good. He caused it to be written down not as a religious formality, but as a lifeline. He knew we would need to return to it again and again to be reminded, refreshed, and re-rooted in the truth.

Without it, we risk creating a Jesus of our own imagination, shaped more by culture or personal comfort than by the Gospels. That's like building our house on sand. But with it, by reading it, listening to it, meditating on it, we build on solid rock.

Maybe our recent sermon series on Jesus: Marriage & Relationships stirred questions in you. 'Did God really say...?' You wouldn't be the first to ask. But God's Word invites us not into confusion, but clarity. Not into fear, but peace.

May I gently encourage you: if you've fallen out of the habit of reading or listening to the Bible regularly, today is a great day to begin, or to begin

again. There are so many helpful plans, apps, audio versions, and devotionals to guide you. Choose what suits you best. YouVersion app has many plans to choose from. *Try Everyday With Jesus (now also as an App), Bible Reading Fellowship, Scripture Union, Bible Society...*

God has spoken, and He still speaks, every day. Let's be a people who listen.

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Jesus: Marriage & Relationships

In our recent sermon series which was really one talk in three parts we looked at The Power of Culture, The Biblical Perspective and Jesus – Good News for Everyone. I really encouraged us all to take on board all three parts, because if you only caught one you will probably have more questions than answers, or only two out of three and you had just a partial view. You can catch up with all three which have now been edited to be one video (or still three if you want them in parts), find them on All Saints Wick YouTube channel. Here is the link to the three in one:

<https://youtu.be/GMBtiQGR-b8?si=yEsfIMliPEbJPcWQ>

Christmas is coming, this year the homeless appeal is slightly different.

The Lovely Ladies of Angmering are concentrating on those on the street.

I am hoping to fill goody bags for all in very basic temporary accommodation. To spread some Christmas cheer.

Required: Small tins of Ham, Corn Beef, salmon, tuna, fruit, cream or custard. Jar of pickles, Bar of chocolate or packet of sweets, Packet of nuts or special biscuits and Christmas crackers. With sincere thanks for all your contributions, Viv. (There will be a spare list in church.)

Lisa will be on annual leave 6–17 October. During her absence, please refer to our Church Wardens.

Harvest Festival – Sunday 12 th October. Please contribute as generously as you can for our Harvest collection for the Littlehampton Food Bank. Please bring non-perishable foods to the services on Sunday 12 th October.

New Discipleship Course – Thursdays, 10–11.30am, Garden Room. Starts 23 October for 8 weeks. **Discipleship Explored** has been crafted to help followers of Jesus discover the joy, unity, righteousness, and love which are theirs in Christ. Documentary-style films shot around the world

take us on an eight-session journey through Paul's letter to the Philippians to discover the greatest love anyone will ever know. It's perfect for believers young and old. You will need your Bible and a pen, plus a course handbook. Suggested donation £6 to cover handbook and licence. To book your place, request a handbook, give a donation/ ask for a bursary: rev.lyminsterwick@gmail.com (Lisa)

Notice from St. Mary Magdalene, Lyminster – Save the date Sunday 16th November 3pm at St. Mary Magdalene, Lyminster, for a lovely afternoon of Musical Theatre. Tickets amazing low £5 will be on sale shortly.

We now have collection baskets to receive donations for Littlehampton Foodbank at All Saints church and the Church Hall. Please consider making food donations to help the Foodbank support those in need in our community. Each collection basket has a list of standard items that would be welcome, and also a QR code which shows you their latest wish list if you prefer to use that. The following is their current wish list:

- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned fruit
- Soup
- Tinned tomatoes
- Rice pudding & custard
- Tinned meals (meals & veggie)
- Cooking sauces
- Tinned fish
- Squash/ Juice

MacMillan Coffee Morning – A very big thank you to everyone who enabled and supported our fundraiser. More details to follow.

Thank you Jonathan! Well, 15 years have flown by. This is a thank you to Jonathan Black who has been volunteering with us for 15 years, firstly in the Wick Information Centre, then at All Saints and now also at Wick Hall. Thank you, Lord God, for Jonathan and all our brilliant volunteers.

How might you join in/what would you like to help out with? What do you see that needs improving? Please get in touch. We are Church and that means everyone gets to join in, belong and serve one another. Please cheer one another on as others serve you.