

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: **Horsham Road West**. Dear Lord, We place the name of Jesus over **Horsham Road West** 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 Angie Johnson, Martin Tillman, Colin Leach, Mary Jones, Roger & Margaret Purdom, Dan, Sandra Ostler, Marian Ayres, Eileen Vause, Jeff (Nancy Fellows' son) and Norman (Jenny Tillman's brother).

If you would like something about All Saints publicised or would like your name added / taken off the prayer request list above please email Jonathan Black: wickinformation@gmail.com

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All Saints Wick Sunday 7th June
Know, Love & Follow Jesus
The integrity of Gospel ministry

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.

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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

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

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

God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son.

BIBLE READINGS

1 Thessalonians 2:1-16

1 You know, brothers and sisters, that our visit to you was not without results. 2 We had previously suffered and been treated outrageously in Philippi, as you know, but with the help of our God we dared to tell you his gospel in the face of strong opposition. 3 For the appeal we make does not spring from error or impure motives, nor are we trying to trick you. 4 On the contrary, we speak as those approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel. We are not trying to please people but God, who tests our hearts. 5 You know we never used flattery, nor did we put on a mask to cover up greed – God is our witness. 6 We were not looking for praise from people, not from you or anyone else, even though as apostles of Christ we could have asserted our authority. 7 Instead, we were like young children among you. Just as a nursing mother cares for her children, 8 so we cared for you. Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well. 9 Surely you remember, brothers and sisters, our toil and hardship; we worked night and day in order not to be a burden to anyone while we preached the gospel of God to you. 10 You are witnesses, and so is God, of how holy, righteous and blameless we were among you who believed. 11 For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, 12 encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory. 13 And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is indeed at work in you who believe. 14 For you, brothers and sisters, became imitators of God's churches in Judea, which are in Christ Jesus: you suffered from your own people the same things those churches suffered from the Jews 15 who killed the Lord Jesus and the prophets and also drove us out. They displease God and are hostile to everyone 16 in their effort to keep us from speaking to the Gentiles so that they may be saved. In this way they always heap up their sins to the limit. The wrath of God has come upon them at last.

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

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Getting to Know All Saints...Janice Betson I usually attend the 9am service.

1. How did you first come to All Saints', and what has kept you here?

My first visit was on the afternoon of, approximately, Sunday 21 February 1965. My second was for a crib service on Christmas Eve 2000. My third was Easter 2001. I remembered coming to All Saints' before (admittedly there had been a bit of a gap between visits). I stayed because it was a friendly church and 'middle of the road'. I came because of a promise I had made to The Almighty to start attending church by the end of the Millennium year. Just about squeezed through on that one!

2. Can you share a moment when your faith became particularly real or meaningful to you?

My family were not church goers. My mother was a believer, but my father was an atheist. I had not then been baptised. I had believed in God since I was 8, but had never been sure of the status of Jesus. Over the years I had read the Bible right through twice – KJV and NEB. The approach of the Millennium was making me think. On 23 April 1999 in Barcelona I said "I commit myself to Jesus Christ". On 24 April 1999 in the old cathedral in Barcelona, Jesus made himself known to me.

3. What helps you keep going as a Christian in everyday life? Faith.

4. What is something you feel passionate about inside or outside church?

Hmm. I don't really do "passionate"!

5. Which Bible verse would you write on a cell wall? "Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, thou art with me. Thy rod and thy staff they comfort " Psalm 23:4, King James Version because that is how it comes in to my mind, as it would if I were locked in a cell without a Bible.

6. How can we pray for you? General well-being.

7. Tea or coffee? Tea, definitely.

Janice serves as a Minister of Communion at the 9am and is one of our Deanery Synod Representatives (Deanery Synod is a group of representatives from the churches in a local area who meet regularly to share ideas, discuss issues affecting our churches and communities, and help connect local parishes like All Saints Wick with the wider Church of England.) It would be wonderful for us to get to know you too, please share your answers at rev.lyminsterwick@gmail.com

Current Preaching Series: Living Before the Day That Changes Everything – A Series in 1

Thessalonians. As we begin this series, 1 Thessalonians immediately asks us a searching question: What does it look like to live before the day that changes everything? This opening chapter gives the answer.

It means: Living as people who belong to God. Demonstrating faith, love, and hope. Trusting the power of the gospel. Remaining joyful in trials. Bearing witness to Christ. Turning from idols. Serving the living God. Waiting expectantly for the return of Jesus. The Thessalonians were not extraordinary people but they simply took the gospel seriously and believed that Jesus was coming again. May God grant us grace to do the same.

The Alpha Course at All Saints Church Wick – Tuesdays, 7.30pm. Alpha is a course that explores faith, meaning and purpose. This week is the first main session. Ask the questions you've always wanted to ask, without anything getting in the way. We get together every week to watch a talk and explore life's biggest questions. There is no pressure, no charge and no follow up.



Lyminster Churchyard Gardening Working Party – A very big thank you to everyone who gave a good hour to weed and cut back. Your cheerful help was much appreciated and we did the equivalent of 8–9 hours of work. It was followed by a delicious ploughman's lunch and cake. The upkeep of the churchyard is the responsibility of the local church, so we will look to arrange further dates and hope that everyone will be able to help at one time or another, doing what they can, not what they can't.

New Wine Festival – Encounter God afresh through the Holy Spirit in a powerful time of worship, teaching, ministry, and community! Bath and West Showground, Shepton Mallet in Somerset. 28th July– 2nd August. Join the All Saints Wick camping village onsite or book offsite and meet us there.

Safeguarding – The four Rs – Recognise, Respond, Record and Refer – are not tickboxes. They are a framework that helps us act justly and compassionately, ensuring that concerns are taken seriously and passed to those who can help keep people safe. Doing this well serves both the person at the centre of the disclosure and the wider community.

You can report to our Parish Safeguarding Officer – Julia Eastaugh. Her contact details are in every room of our Church buildings. Her email is safeguarding@allsaintswick.org.uk. Alternatively you can report it directly to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team or to our Priest in Charge.

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What To Do When Safeguarding Concerns Arise

FAQ's

If it feels complicated, report it anyway

Reporting a safeguarding concern should be straightforward. And yet, for many Church Officers, something gets in the way.

More often it is doubt. A worry about getting it wrong, causing harm, or overstepping.

These hesitations are understandable. They are also worth naming, because they are some of the most common reasons concerns go unreported.

 <p>Recognise</p> <p>Be alert to signs or disclosures of abuse.</p>	 <p>Respond</p> <p>Listen carefully and take what is being said seriously.</p>
 <p>Record</p> <p>Make a written record of what has been shared.</p>	 <p>Refer</p> <p>Share the concern with the Safeguarding Officer and relevant authorities.</p>

IT'S NOT JUST POLICY, IT'S PERSONAL

FOR MORE INFORMATION



Turning Tides – began 35 years ago as the Worthing Churches Homelessness Project and has since grown to support people across West Sussex. Over that time, they've seen the increasing need as more people experience homelessness, but they also continue to see incredible courage, resilience, and hope as lives begin to change through their work. Prayer is such an important part of this work, and they have invited us to partner more closely with them by standing alongside them in prayer. Turning Tides say, 'Thank you for standing alongside us, your prayers truly make a difference.'

We give thanks for the reduction in rough sleeping in Worthing, where numbers have fallen from 17 to 7. We recognise the impact of initiatives like Skywaves and the provision of safe accommodation, helping people move off the streets and into more stable environments. We pray for the continued success of this work that it may be funded and expanded across West Sussex. May more individuals be supported into safety, and may partnerships between services continue to grow, bringing lasting change and a significant reduction in rough sleeping. "Rough sleeping has risen nationally but in Worthing we have reduced it from 17 to 7."