

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

**Please BCC rather than CC** Please take care of one another's email addresses and other contact details. It's great that we have our church directory and it's hopefully easy to get in touch with one another but when emailing to a group, please put everyone's email address in BCC as this helps keep us off third-party mailing lists. As a Church we have a data privacy policy which you can find here:

<https://www.allsaintswick.org.uk/Safeguarding>

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

**Praying for our Church family:** This week we give thanks to God and pray for all those involved in **Leading and preaching at all our services**. Lord, pour out your grace, your strength and your inspiration as they prepare to lead us.

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

Dear Lord, We place the name of Jesus over **Coomes 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 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](mailto:wickinformation@gmail.com)*

**All Saints Wick** Sunday 7 August  
Know, Love & Follow Jesus **Paul: Faith to Finish the Race**

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](mailto: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 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**

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.

### **BIBLE READING**

#### **2 Timothy 4:6–8**

6 For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. 7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 8 Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day – and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

#### **Acts 20: 22–24**

22 'And now, compelled by the Spirit, I am going to Jerusalem, not knowing what will happen to me there. 23 I only know that in every city the Holy Spirit warns me that prison and hardships are facing me. 24 However, I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me – the task of testifying to the good news of God's grace.

#### **Heroes putting their trust in God**

Baptisms are always a joyful occasion, and at their heart there is our identification with Jesus Christ as our Lord (our boss – see below). Firstly as we go down into the waters, we identify ourselves as following Jesus into dying to all that separates us from God. That's important because Jesus' death is about the forgiveness he has won for us on the cross by taking our place, dying instead of us. Absorbing God's wrath himself, so that we don't. The cross is the centre point of forgiveness and baptism is a picture of it. Baptism is also a picture of resurrection, of new life in Christ and the solid hope for the future that it brings. No longer do we live in slavery to sin, instead we are free to serve a new master, free as a servant of Christ and as a child of God. Last Sunday as an extension of our All Together Sunday Service at Wick Hall the church baptised Shepherd and Catherine, but with the sea as the font there was more water than usual.

We each have a unique story to tell of God calling us into this new life in Christ on Sunday over the wind and the waves we heard Shepherd's testimony with the last line changed back to his own

words (if you were there on Sunday you will know that I shared it on Shepherd's behalf and he was concerned when he realised that I had changed the last sentence and therefore it was no longer in his own words.

"I have always known God because I go to church with my family and we sometimes read the bible and pray at home. One evening after reading the bible my parents prayed with me to say sorry to God for all the things I had done wrong in my life and accept Jesus' as my Saviour and Lord, that means I let Jesus be my boss and I made the decision to listen to Him. I know God is real because when I ask him questions he answers. He tells me in my heart what is the right thing to do. He answered my prayer when I asked to see what He looks like. He helped me find my toys when I lost them. He helped me be kind to my friends and be less afraid when I am alone. I want to get baptised because I want to make it clear that I want to follow Jesus. I know that He loves me with a powerful and never ending love. At New Wine, God helped me figure out that the greatest treasure in life is not an object but love, the Holy Spirit and faith in the Lord. I am really excited to get baptised today in the sea!" (Shepherd, aged 9, baptised on his 9th birthday)

Let's pray for Shepherd, for Catherine, and ourselves that we would fight valiantly as disciples of Christ against sin, the world and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of our lives, by finishing the race he has set before us.

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

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**Thank you to Bishop Lucy and Andrew Amukowa** from Kakamega, Kenya who joined us as special guests at the All Together Joint Service. Many commented on how Bishop Lucy spoke meaningfully to us, a link to her talk is here <https://www.youtube.com/live/irHRUEye6EQ?si=7Pitil5Y7xRsRcPh>

**Taize Services:** Poor Clares at Crossbush – last Friday of the month, 7pm.  
United Reformed/Trinity Church, Littlehampton – first Sunday of the month, 6pm.

### National Week of Prayer

Churches all across the UK are joining in the National Week of Prayer for the nation (Sat. 6th – Sun. 14th Sept.). We at All Saints Wick and St Mary Magdalene Lyminster are offering the following opportunities to join this nationwide initiative. Note venue codes: ASW = All Saints Wick SML = St Mary Magdalene, Lyminster

Monday 8th @ 7.00pm ASW

Tuesday 9th @ 6.00pm SML

Wednesday 10th @ noon ASW

Thursday 11th @ 5.00pm SML

Friday 12th @ 7.00pm ASW

Saturday 13th @ noon SML

Sunday 14th @ 6.00pm ASW

Please make every effort to attend at least one of these sessions of prayer.

For more information please get in touch with Glenn McWatt or Lisa.

**Please note –The next men's All Saints Littlehampton meeting:** Thursday 11 September at 115 Arundel Road Littlehampton BN17 7DH at 7.00 pm. We hope to have Director of Links International Joe Gisbey talk to us about his life story and the infilling of the Holy Spirit. A really warm welcome and I am in the middle of confirming this with Joe. If for any reason he can't make it I will give you my testimony and account of an interesting early life in Liverpool and abroad. How I came to know Jesus despite many pitfalls along the way!

**The Ladies Group** will be meeting on Friday 12th September not Friday 5th September for a board game evening. Come to Alison's house 31 Clun Road at 7pm for an evening of fun and laughter. Refreshments provided. Looking forward to seeing you. Alison, Jenny & Viv.

**7pm Praise & Prayer Evening** – Sunday 14th September at Wick Hall. This month, Heather Thompson, international and interdenominational CEO of PowerPack, a children's work introducing young people to the work of the Holy Spirit, will be giving the 10 minute talk.

**The Bible Course** – a new Course starting Tuesday evenings from 23 September, 6.45pm for a 7pm start. Interested/want to find out more? Ask Lisa. Discover the one United story of the Bible, and how Bible characters, stories, and themes are connected, from Genesis to Revelation. The course is accessible for people new to Christianity, ideal as a follow on from courses like Alpha or mature Christians wanting to increase their understanding of the Bible.

**Musical Soiree** – Friday 3rd October at 7.30pm and Saturday 4th October at 10.30am in cafe area of Creative Heart. Jane & Claudia present a programme of piano duets, harp and piano solos. Space is limited so please book online using these links Fri eve:

<https://buytickets.at/creativeheart/1844952>

Sat morning: <https://buytickets.at/creativeheart/1845430>

FREE ENTRY – DONATIONS invited to support Creative Heart & All Saints Wick. Evening Dress may be worn on Friday evening and you are welcome to bring alcoholic drinks. Café will be open for refreshments on Fri & Sat.

### New Wine – Local Churches, Changing Nations

Save the Date: 28th July– 3rd August 2026, Bath & West Showground.

Seven of us from All Saints enjoyed five days of Spirit-filled worship, excellent Bible teaching and engaging breakouts, brilliant kids groups, fun, bbqs and time together. What's more, New Wine's inclusion teams are second to none. Next summer we will have our own All Saints Wick camping village and would love you to join us there. Early Bird prices until 30th September. Adults – £240; Luminosity (11-18yrs) £194; Children (R- yr 6) £168; Children (Pre-school) £126. Offsite options are also available. Team – £35. (Offsite options are available)

**Suggestions & Feedback** Thank you for your suggestions, some in the suggestions basket and others to Lisa via email. Thank you also for the positive feedback about the All Together Services over the summer. Keep sharing, keep being the change and keep coming up with creative input.

**New Oak Handrails** make going up and coming down from communion easier at All Saints Church. Thank you to Colin for overseeing this work.

**Littlehampton and District Foodbank.** Last year they gave food parcels to nearly 3,000 people, and the need is growing – especially now, with the start of the summer holidays meaning that children in need will not be getting free school meals until September, putting an extra burden on families. At the PCC meeting earlier this week, we decided that we wanted to become more active as a church in working with the Foodbank. We will be giving more information about this in the Autumn. However, the need is urgent, so we ask you to consider what you can do now. We plan to put food collection baskets in the church and church hall shortly; in the meantime, please consider making food donations at the local supermarkets. You can find more information about the foodbank, including the types of food they need, at: <https://littlehamptondistrict.foodbank.org.uk> If you have any questions, please ask me. Perry Eastaugh.

**A note from the Treasurer – Janis Myers** Having served in the role of Treasurer of All Saints for over 10 years, I am intending to stand down at the next APCM in 2026. Have you been thinking how you can serve the church? Are you an aspiring bookkeeper? Do you have an aptitude for figures? If so, please feel free to speak to Janis Myers for more information about what the role involves. If you are interested in putting yourself forward for this incredibly rewarding role, please speak with Lisa, Priest in Charge of All Saints Wick, Ann Macaulay or Jane Hicks.