

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: **Hawthorn Road**

Dear Lord, We place the name of Jesus over **Hawthorn Road** 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 Richard Fernando, Dan, Sandra Ostler, Marian Ayres, Angie Johnson, Nancy Fellows, the Batchelors, Eileen Vause, Jeff, Norman (Jenny Tillman's brother), and Jamie Colclough (Val Stewart's son).

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

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All Saints Wick Sunday 19 April
Know, Love & Follow Jesus
**The King Who Opens Eyes:
Meeting Jesus on the Road**

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 Third Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

On the road to Emmaus, two weary and heavy-hearted disciples walked the long eleven kilometres from Jerusalem, confused and disappointed. What unfolds over perhaps three or more unhurried hours is such a tender picture of how the risen Lord meets his people. Jesus draws alongside them with questions, patience, and Scripture and walks at their pace. Then, beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he opens the Scriptures so that their hearts begin to burn within them.

This is a journey of progressive revelation. Their eyes are kept from recognising him at first, yet he is not absent, only unperceived. Step by step, as the Word is unfolded, their understanding deepens. What seemed like defeat is shown to be God's redemptive plan. The cross was not the end, but the very means of glory.

And then, at the table, in the breaking of the bread, their eyes are opened. The stranger is the Saviour. The one who walked with them all along is the risen Christ.

There is a profound encouragement here for us. Jesus is not playing games instead he makes himself known in ways that draw out faith, kindle understanding, and anchor us in the truth of Scripture. The whole Bible, rightly read, leads us to him. It is the story of God's unfolding purpose, revealed fully in Christ.

So let us take heart. When we seek him in the Scriptures, when we walk patiently in faith, when we gather at his table, He is near and he is found by those who seek him.

'Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?' (Luke 24:32)

Lisa

BIBLE READINGS

Luke 24: 13-35

13 Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. 14 They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. 15 As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; 16 but they were kept from recognising him. 17 He asked them, 'What are you discussing together as you walk along?' They stood still, their faces downcast. 18 One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, 'Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?' 19 'What things?' he asked. About Jesus of Nazareth,' they replied. 'He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. 20 The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; 21 but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. 22 In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning 23 but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. 24 Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.' 25 He said to them, 'How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?' 27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. 28 As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going further. 29 But they urged him strongly, 'Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. 30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened and they recognised him, and he disappeared from their sight. 32 They asked each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?' 33 They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together 34 and saying, 'It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' 35 Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognised by them when he broke the bread.

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

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

This weekend

Church Family Walk – first walk/picnic is this Saturday (18 th April)!

Our first event will meet at the main entrance to Slindon College. The walk has two routes and is weather-dependent, so if it is torrential rain, it will be cancelled!

IMPORTANT: There have been reports of a dog being poisoned in this area in the last week, so we no longer recommend bringing your doggy with you. It is too late to change the route, so we apologise for any disappointment.

It would help us know who to wait for if you signed up using the link below, but of course you can just turn up too!

<https://allsaintswick.churchsuite.com/events/ujs1e9di>

TIME: 10:30 hours Saturday 18 April 2026 for both walks. The finish time of 2pm allows for picnic and fellowship time

MEET: Slindon College – the main entrance

PARKING: On road – there are usually plenty of on-road spaces (ideally share lifts please)

WALKS (see also below): The longer requires decent footwear and an ability to walk around 6 miles over uneven footpaths/downland.

The shorter one is around two miles and will be a slower paced amble.

PLEASE NOTE: You must be reasonably fit to do the longer walk. We will walk from start point to Bignor Hill & return

FOOD & DRINK: Please bring your own picnic lunch and water

WEATHER: If the weather is normal, we walk; if it is torrential rain, it'll be cancelled.

THERE IS A LESS DEMANDING ROUTE OPTION: If so wished, there is a gentler circular walk around estate – a pleasant undemanding 2 mile circular route. Please also meet at the same location at 10:30 hrs.

It's likely the shorter walk will finish before the estimated joint picnic time of 12:30– 12:45 hrs, but that just leaves more time for fellowship while we wait for the main group!

It is proposed that the main group will be back at 12.30 and we can then have our picnic lunch together.

PS Diary Date Next Walk Saturday 13 June for our second walk

Gentle Jazz with Julia & Andy. Saturday 18th April, 7pm at Creative Heart, 42 Beach Road, BN17 5HT. An evening of live popular music & jazz classics. Free entry, donations invited to support Creative Heart and All Saints Wick. Book online as follows: <https://buytickets.at/creativeheart/2109793>. Dress: Smart/Evening wear. You are welcome to bring alcoholic drinks. Café will be open for refreshments

Church Prayer Meeting – Sunday 19 th April, 6–7pm, Garden Room.

New Electoral Roll – Now on display at the back of All Saints Church.

Bring and Share Lunch – Straight after our Annual Church Meeting (Vestry & APCM) Meeting, Sunday 26 April. APCM starts 12pm, Wick Hall. Please bring a plate with food to share. Squash will be provided.

‘Go and Make Disciples...’ It’s what Jesus tells us to do. How? How come the Church in Iran is growing so rapidly? In Discipleship groups, home and small groups, hear the testimonies and explore the discipleship pathway ordinary believers are using to disciple one another. New groups starting this term and there are spaces in some of our existing groups. To register your interest please get in touch with Liz at officeallsaintswick@gmail.com.