

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: **Hampton Place & Harting Road**. Dear Lord, We place the name of Jesus over **Hampton Place & Harting 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
Know, Love & Follow Jesus

Sunday 5 & 12 April
'The Risen Lord and the Mission of God' / 'The King Who Could Not Be Held: Resurrection at the Heart of the 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.

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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 Easter Day

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

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

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

The women went to the tomb expecting silence and sorrow. Instead, they were met with an earthquake, an angel, and a startling question, 'Why are you looking for the living among the dead?'

Easter is the great surprise, it's a holy disruption. The stone is rolled away, not so Jesus can get out, but so we can see in. The grave is empty and death has been undone.

In Matthew 28, fear and joy run side by side as the women hurry from the tomb. The resurrection is not just a nice idea, it is a life-altering reality. It overturns our assumptions, challenges our despair, and calls us to trust that God is at work in ways we never expected.

However you come to Easter, whether full of faith or simply curious, Easter declares that Jesus is alive. And if that is true, then no situation is beyond hope, no life beyond renewal, no story beyond redemption.

So come and see, come and hear and perhaps, like those first witnesses, come and be surprised by joy.

Lisa

BIBLE READINGS FOR EASTER DAY

Verses of prophecy from the book of Isaiah: 49:6 ; 60:1-3.

6 he says: 'It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

1 'Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. 2 See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples,

but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you. 3 Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Matthew 28:1-20

1 After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. 2 There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. 3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. 4 The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. 5 The angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. 6 He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. 7 Then go quickly and tell his disciples: "He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him." Now I have told you.' 8 So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. 9 Suddenly Jesus met them. 'Greetings,' he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshipped him. 10 Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.' 11 While the women were on their way, some of the guards went into the city and reported to the chief priests everything that had happened. 12 When the chief priests had met with the elders and devised a plan, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money, 13 telling them, 'You are to say, "His disciples came during the night and stole him away while we were asleep." 14 If this report gets to the governor, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble.' 15 So the soldiers took the money and did as they were instructed. And this story has been widely circulated among the Jews to this very day. 16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 2: 14a 22-32

14 Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd:

22 'Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. 23 This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. 24 But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. 25 David said about him: "I saw the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. 26 Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest in hope, 27 because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, you will not let your holy one see decay. 28 You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence." 29 'Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. 30 But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. 31 Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay. 32 God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it.

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

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Friday Coffee Morning is back on Friday 10th April.

Church Family Walk/s – We are starting a church walking group, and you are warmly invited to join our first walk on **Saturday 18th April in Slindon**. The main walk will start from The College main entrance at 10:30 and head up to Bignor Hill, 6 miles, taking approximately two hours at a relaxed pace. This route is a little more adventurous due to the inclines. It requires suitable footwear, the ground can be slippery when wet. It promises to offer some beautiful countryside views. For those who would prefer a gentler option, there will also be the opportunity to walk around Slindon Park which is much flatter or simply explore the village of Slindon at your own pace. Please bring your own drinks, snacks and picnic. The aim is for everyone to meet together at 12:30pm so that we can enjoy lunch and fellowship together. Everyone is welcome, including well behaved dogs, whether you would like a longer walk, a shorter stroll, or just the chance to spend time together in the village.

We would like to encourage car sharing, if you would like a lift, please don't hesitate to ask one another. We still plan to go ahead even if there is a bit of drizzle, but the weather will be monitored, and advance warning will be given the evening before if the walk needs to be cancelled.

Please feel free to encourage a friend or two to come along, the more the merrier! If you have any questions or would like to let us know you're coming, please contact Lisa Holland or David Sax, you'll find us in the directory.

We are also arranging a second walk on **Saturday 13 June** in Arundel, full details will follow soon.

Please note: Everyone walks at their own risk and should decide for themselves that they are able to undertake the walk. Under 18s must be accompanied and remain the responsibility of their parent/carers at all times.

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

Save the Date - Bring and Share Lunch following our Annual Church Meeting (Vestry & APCM) Meeting, Sunday 26 April, 12pm, Wick Hall.

Grateful thanks to all who generously gave to the Easter egg appeal, we will be able to spread a lot of Christian joy this Easter.

Thank you to everyone who took part in all sorts of ways in our Easter services.

Try a Discipleship Group/Home Group this Summer Term. New groups starting this term and there are spaces in some of our existing groups. Come as you are, you would be so welcome. Contact Liz at officeallsaintswick@gmail.com to say you would like to join in.

Services This Easter Weekend:

Maundy Thursday, **Passover Communion Meal**, 6.30pm. Bookings now closed.

Maundy Thursday Prayer Watch, from 8pm, Garden Room All Saints Church
Good Friday Ecumenical Walk of Witness 11:00am Meet at St. Mary's Church, Church St, then walking through the High Street to Trinity Church for a short Service.

Good Friday Hour at the Cross, 2.30pm, St Mary Magdalene Church, Lyminster.

Easter Day Sunrise Service, 6.15am, East Beach (in front of East Beach Café) followed by hot drinks and croissants.

Easter Day Joint Celebration Service with Holy Communion, 10am, refreshments, 10.30am start, Wick Hall.

Every Sunday: 9am Holy Communion Service, All Saints Church, 10.30am Worship Service at Wick Hall (with refreshments from 10am)

The 7pm, Sunday 12th April (2nd Sunday of the Month): Hour of Extended Worship & Encounter, Wick Hall. Please come as you are, come expectant seeking a fresh touch of God in your life, come ready to worship Jesus the living God.