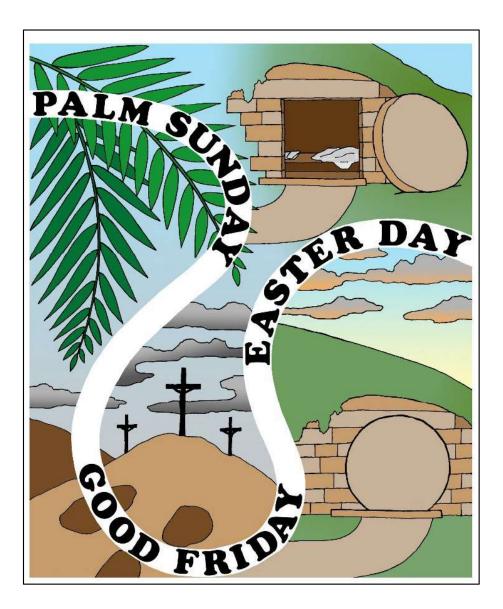
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## The parish magazine of All Saints Church, Kings Heath



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## From the vicarage

Dear friends and neighbours,

We've been together 14 years. From my point of view, it only seems to get better and richer.

This also means it's time for me to take a sabbatical. Every week a priest encourages their congregation to reflect and pray. We are duty bound to reflect and pray ourselves. We began Lent reading the Matthew passage about the risks of praying in public. Ego and self-consciousness can spoil it. Every now and then, anyone responsible for leading public prayer needs to find a way of going inside, into the closet, to see if they really can still pray, without the public gaze.

Secondly, telling people about Jesus does not guarantee that you develop a good relationship with him yourself. Time alone affords unselfconscious space to appraise that relationship and see what, if anything he wishes to say to me.

Thirdly, if it is your calling to study and explore faith and ideas in order to aid others' reflection, it is possible, with good intentions, to find yourself pursuing ideas for the sake of getting the job done, rather than as a matter of devotion to truth and nurture of the soul. To study, not for next week's sermon but for its own sake, is to nurture curiosity and to experience the pursuit of truth as a kind of worship.

There is an aspect of rest, of course, as well. I have been fortunate to experience two sabbaticals in my 32 years since ordination, both of which still energise me when I revisit them. This is, presumably, my last, helping prepare me for a final decade of stipendiary ministry, God willing. If, as I hope, it is to be served here at All Saints, I could not bear the thought of you having a vicar serving time, going into the sand, wearily approaching retirement. You deserve much better than that. A healthy time of exploration, refreshment and study will, I hope, energise and prepare me for a decade of eager and thankful ministry.

From mid-May I hope to explore Spain, reading and reflecting on how such a country holds its often conflicted memories. In that context I will explore how we as individuals hold our memories well or badly. I hope the space will also allow me to assimilate further our family's 15-year journey with dementia, and how dementia can disrupt and play with memory in terrible, yet also sometimes intriguing and moving ways. I do also want to give more space and time to accept my mother's and brother-in-law's deaths so that I can hold those memories in a life-giving way.

Jenny will also take a break, perhaps worshipping in different churches for a while, joining me in Spain for some of the time. We'll be back in time to join the All Saints group at Greenbelt.

It is wonderful to know how mutually supportive the All Saints family is. I am deeply grateful for Tariro's sure liturgical and pastoral touch. I am also grateful to have such a trustworthy area dean as Phelim and such a terrific archdeacon as Jenny Tomlinson supporting our parish ministry.

In the meantime, I look forward to the journey through Passiontide to Easter and beyond with you. I am the most fortunate parish priest in the land.

## David

## **Open letter to Archbishop Welby**

On 17 February I attended one of the marches in London for a ceasefire in Gaza. I was very pleased to see that Rev Munther Isaac from Bethlehem was one of the speakers addressing the rally at the end of the march, and the next day I was privileged to be able to go to Bloomsbury Baptist Church where he gave a prophetic sermon to the 500 or so people gathered there. One of the things he told us was that he had had a meeting with church representatives in this country cancelled. He was clearly upset by this. A few days later I discovered that it was Archbishop Justin Welby who had cancelled because Jeremy Corbyn had also addressed the rally from the same platform at the march. I was dismayed by this, and submitted the letter below to the archbishop on his website:

Dear Archbishop Welby,

#### Visit of Rev Munther Isaac from Bethlehem

In your new year's address in 2016, you memorably said, in the context of welcoming refugees, that

'In today's world hospitality and love are our most formidable weapons against hatred and extremism.'

I wonder why it is, then that you refused to show hospitality to Rev Munther Isaac, the Lutheran pastor, who is based in Bethlehem, when he requested to visit you earlier this month. He is your brother Christian, living and ministering in Palestine, a land that has seen many people become refugees, and a land that is occupied by a force that is currently on trial by the International Court of Justice for genocide.

Your quoted concern for the 'Jewish community' doesn't seem to extend to those Jews who oppose Zionism and the State of Israel, many of whom have joined the London marches for a ceasefire in Gaza. I have been on three of these marches and have found them well-organised, good-natured and peaceful. Jewish speakers are welcomed among the diverse people giving speeches on the stage at the end of the marches, and it is always good to hear what Jeremy Corbyn has to say.

The conflation of antisemitism with anti-Zionism seems to me to be a way of obscuring the debate. While antisemitism is to be abhorred and avoided, Zionism (including Christian Zionism) needs to be subjected to rigorous analysis, especially in the way the Bible is used (misused) to justify this secular ideology, that has resulted in the misery of so many Palestinians.

You might have had a thoroughly engaging and absorbing conversation about all this with your brother in Christ, an opportunity for you to show 'hospitality and love' to a representative of a people who have been suffering under 'hatred and extremism' for 75 years. Instead you gave in to the Zionist lobby. I agree with Munther Isaac that it is shameful that you have bypassed what might have been such a fruitful opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret Healey-Pollett

I think that Archbishop Justin must have received an avalanche of complaints, as on 29 February an article appeared in *The Guardian* under the headline: 'Justin Welby expresses "deep regret" at refusal to meet Palestinian pastor.' It is very good to know that he has the humility to admit his mistake; the paper reported:

[Welby said:] 'Recently I declined to meet with Rev Dr Munther Isaac during his UK visit. I apologise for and deeply regret this decision, and the hurt, anger, and confusion it caused.

'I was wrong not to meet with my brother in Christ from the Holy Land, especially at this time of profound suffering for our Palestinian Christian brothers and sisters. I look forward to speaking and praying with him next week.'

*Isaac replied: 'Thank you archbishop. I welcome this statement, and I look forward to our meeting next week as brothers in Christ.'* 

The full article can be read at the following link:

https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2024/feb/29/justin-welby-deep-regret-refusal-meet-palestinian-pastor-munther-isaac

**Margaret Healey-Pollett** 

## Completing the set

In December 2022 we received the first three of the new Nativity Crib figures commissioned for All Saints by ASCA and the AS Crafters: Mary, Joseph and the Christ Child and manger. The process of commissioning and receiving these lovely wooden sculpted figures was published in *Saints Alive!* last February.



We were therefore delighted to receive

the final figures to complete the set, in December 2023, all beautifully crafted again by Graham Jones. Two shepherds, three Magi, a camel, two oxen, a donkey and two sheep joyfully gathered around the Holy Family and were revealed at the Children's Carol Service on Christmas Eve.

Graham comments:

It has been a great privilege to design and make the nativity figures and animals for All Saints, Kings Heath. I studied sculpture in the early 1980s and have made work in wood for 40 years. My work can be seen in public spaces, parks and gardens: <u>www.qmjwoodcarving.co.uk</u>; Instagram: gmj\_woodcarving.

I wanted to make figures here that are not entirely conventional. There is a simplicity to their forms, with character in the faces that reflect hopefully 'ordinary' people. Their postures and stances evolved partly from the nature of the piece of wood and also from looking at nativity scenes in some of the great artworks. One distinct example that gave me an idea is a Botticelli painting with Magi offering their gifts.

I have sourced a wide range of woods including oak from France and the UK; olive wood from Portugal; holly, elm and lime form the UK; and the unusual but beautiful Catalpa which source tree grew in Birmingham's Winterbourne Gardens and had recently died for no apparent reason.

Another interesting interplay is the physical scale between characters. They are intentionally not precisely to scale with each other, with differing heights. The animals also vary in scale against each other and are designed to have a 'feel' of the creature.

The whole scene should work together with its range of colours and wood grain.

I look forward to seeing them all together in the church surrounding.



The figures have been received with great acclaim and now form a new focal point for our Advent, Christmas, Epiphany and Candlemas celebrations. An information leaflet was produced, which included the species of wood used for each figure (see next page).

When we went to view the final figures at Graham's studio, he commented that they feel like his own family since he brought their characters to life with his skill. We are honoured to have such sensitively created figures which seem to capture the essence of the nativity

story, and provoke a contemplative and tactile response within all who view them. Thank you, Graham, and thank you All Saints Crafters for asking ASCA to commission the set and for generously providing the funds, in memory of Gill Cole. The complete set are now resting safely packed away until this Advent.

#### **Vivien Tilsley**

A reminder that you can sign up for the regular All Saints email newsletter here:

https://landing.mailerlite.com/webforms/landing/o7a2q4

Mary - Silver Birch, Warwickshire - photo 1

Joseph - English Oak - photo 1

Jesus - English Oak - photo 1

Crib [photo 1] - and Larger Ox -Walnut, Warwickshire

Tall shepherd with lamb - Lime wood, Shropshire - photo 3

Old shepherd - Oak, near Lyon, France - photo 3

Myrrh and Frankincense Magi -Catalpa, Winterbourne Gardens, Edgbaston

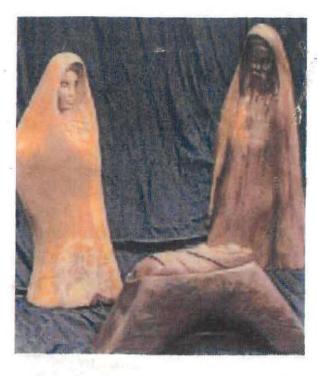
Gold Magi - English Oak, Warwickshire

Camel - English Elm, Warwickshire

Smaller Ox - Holly wood, Moseley - photo 2

Donkey and Sheep 1 [photo 3] -Portuguese Olive wood

Sheep 2 - Lime wood





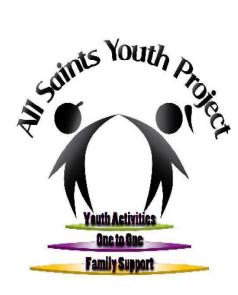


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## Quiz time

We happened upon the following numbers and letters quiz recently – some of these have done the rounds before but it's always good to give the brain a little workout...

Example: 1066	B of H = Battle of Hastings	200	P for P G in M
76	T L the B P	3	В М (S H T R)
4	G: M, M, L and J	1666	G F of L
11	P in a F T (excluding S)	2468	W D W A
5	G R (12 D of C)	64	S on a C B
16	O in a P	10	E in a D
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7	S on a F P P	4	S of an O (S, W, B and P)
57	ΗV	2	W in a F
4	H of the A	3	G in a H T
27	B in the N T	1966	E W the W C
147	M B in S	8849	H of M E in M
366	D in a L Y	24	H in a D
4	S by V	21	K to the D

## Get involved...!

We are always pleased to receive contributions for the magazine – including reports and reflections, *Getting to know you* interviews, and hearing about activity across the church campus and beyond.

The next issue will be published in early April and will focus on the APCM – we look forward to receiving your ideas and submissions for future issues!

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#### **Music matters**

#### Celebrating the contribution of women composers and writers to hymnody.

To mark International Women's Day (Friday 8 March) and also Mothering Sunday and the RSCM's Women Composer Sunday (10 March), all the hymns, songs and anthems chosen for the 10am service on that Sunday have either been composed, or had texts written or translated, by women.

Our introit *Come together everybody* was written by one of our own congregation, Sarah Baker, who is well known at All Saints, as well as more widely in Birmingham, for the music she has produced for children's choirs (such as *Sleepy Sheep* and *The Climate Changer*) as well as *Light in the darkness* which the choir sang in the 2018 Carols by Candlelight service. What congregation members may not realise is that much of the music Sarah plays on the Sundays when she is 'on duty' is of her own composition as well, and all who are interested can find out more about Sarah and her work at <u>https://www.bakertunes.com/</u>.

The first congregational hymn on 10 March, *All things bright and beautiful*, is by one of the bestknown female hymnwriters of the 19th century, Cecil Frances Alexander, often referred to simply as Mrs Alexander. Alongside this perennial favourite, which must surely be one of the most familiar Christian songs known to the general public, she also wrote the words for *There is a green hill far away* and *Once in royal David's city* among many others; thus unwittingly ensuring that her name appears at regular intervals in the church's year. Indeed, in 1913 a stained glass window by James Powell and Sons in her memory was installed in the north vestibule of St Columb's Cathedral in Derry, financed by public subscription, which show scenes depicting *Once in royal, There is a green hill* and the now lesser-known *The golden gates are lifted up*.

While the Gospel hymn *Come on and celebrate* was written by Patricia Morgan, it's proven rather difficult to find anything out about her and there's not a great deal more about Carol Owens, who, with her husband Jimmy, wrote our offertory hymn *God forgave my sin*, often referred to as 'Freely, freely' after the frequent recurrence of the words in the hymn's refrain. What I did discover is that Carol and Jimmy's album of children's hymns, *Ants'hillvania*, was nominated for a Grammy Award for Best Children's Album in 1981, but beaten to the prize by *In Harmony: A Sesame Street Record*.

The women who contributed to our final two pieces of music however – Amy Beach, who wrote the anthem *Peace I leave with you*, and Catherine Winkworth, who translated the last hymn *Now thank we all our God* from German – are much easier to find information on!

Amy Marcy Cheney Beach (1867-1944) was a pioneering composer and pianist, renowned as the first successful American female composer of large-scale art music. Born in New Hampshire, she demonstrated exceptional musical talent from an early age, exhibiting perfect pitch and synaesthesia, a condition where each music key is associated with a particular colour.

Despite lacking formal European training, Beach began composing at a young age and gave her first public concert at 16. In 1885, she married Dr Henry Harris Aubrey Beach, adopting the name Mrs H H A Beach. The marriage imposed societal expectations, restricting her performances to two public recitals per year with profits donated to charity, and to requiring her to devote herself more to composition than to performance – though self-guided education in composition was also necessitated by Dr Beach, who disapproved of his wife studying with a tutor... Despite these constraints, she achieved acclaim with her Mass in E flat in 1892 and notably with the *Gaelic Symphony* in 1896, the first published symphony by an American woman.

Widowed in 1910, Beach spent time in Europe, gaining recognition for her musical prowess, returning to the US in 1914. A versatile composer, she wrote a piano concerto, an opera and much chamber, piano and vocal music and continued to influence the musical world through mentoring, writing and advocacy for music education.

Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878) was born in London, later moving to Manchester and then Bristol. Under the mentorship of prominent Unitarians, she played a key role in Manchester Liberalism. Winkworth spent a year in Dresden in her early adulthood, during which time she took an interest in German hymnody. Around 1854, she published her book *Lyra Germanica*, a collection of German hymns which she had chosen and translated into English; a further collection followed in 1858. During 1863 she published *The Chorale Book for England*, which was co-edited by the composers William Sterndale Bennett and Otto Goldschmidt, and she followed this with *Christian Singers of Germany* in 1869. According to *The Harvard University Hymn Book*, Winkworth 'did more than any other single individual to make the rich heritage of German hymnody available to the Englishspeaking world'.

Beyond her literary pursuits, she actively supported women's education, serving as the secretary of the Clifton Association for Higher Education for Women and contributing to the Red Maids' School. A translator of biographies and an early feminist, Winkworth left a lasting legacy in hymnody and education, earning recognition for her profound impact on Victorian society and beyond.

The work of women composers is becoming increasingly prominent in the canon of church music, and it is notable that a lot of the new pieces that we discover (and a few of the old) come form women writers, but there is certainly much more out there – if you have ideas of music written by women, or indeed by any people who have traditionally been marginalised, then do please let us know.

#### Clare Noakes Music Co-ordinator



...between you and me, it's the only way I can remember my PIN number!



"Police? This is St Mary's Ladies' Knitting & Vigilante Circle. We've detained two gents trying to nick the church silver."

## From the PCC

Since the last issue of Saints Alive, there has been one meeting of the Standing Committee meeting in February.

There were a number of topics discussed and a résumé of these is given below.

#### Safeguarding:

<u>Parish dashboard</u>: This is a record-keeping procedure for each church in the diocese maintained via the diocesan website. Our safeguarding co-ordinator, Eira Jones, reported that that at a recent meeting for safeguarding leads, it was concluded that there was to be more emphasis on churches maintaining their parish dashboard up to date.

<u>Employment of Offenders policy</u>: This is currently being finalised and is due to be completed shortly and will then be circulated to the various organisations in the church and incorporated with the other policies.

#### Finance:

<u>Expenditure</u>: Our treasurer presented the final accounts for 2023 for the full year to the end of December 2023. Expenditure overall was circa £144K. The account is to be audited shortly by our usual independent auditor.

<u>Income</u>: Income for the full year to the end of December 2023 was circa £182K but it did include a bequest of circa £41K giving an overall deficit of £3K which was considered reasonable given the situation with the relatively high cost of gas and electricity for the church over the year.

<u>Regular giving</u>: The treasurer reported that the average for the past 12 months was £530/month. This was down somewhat on the average at the end of December. It was considered that the plate and card reader donations were much lower in January 2024 than in December 2023 over the Christmas period and also the amount in envelopes was down somewhat which had both affected the average.

<u>Overall net worth:</u> The treasurer reported that the account at the end of the year the church balance net worth was circa £220K, but as reported previously did include the as yet unpaid long-term loan of circa £170K to the Development Company.

<u>Christmas collections</u>: The treasurer said that the amount collected over the Christmas period for the three chosen charities was just over £1,050 and he would be distributing it equally to the three charities that had been selected to the receive the money.

<u>Finance Team income officer:</u> A member of the congregation has shown interest in joining the Finance Team as income officer to replace John Watling who has retired recently. The treasurer is arranging to speak to the person to give more detail of what is involved.

**Churchwardens:** A replacement or replacements for the last warden, Chris Pearce, is still being sought for the post of churchwarden or churchwardens. David, our vicar, explained that some progress on this has been made but more as a medium-term possibility. At this point in time there had been nobody coming forward in the interim which is somewhat disappointing especially with the Annual Parochial Church Meeting approaching when a churchwarden is usually either voted in as new or for a continuing term of 12 months.

**All Saints Community Development Company (ASCDC):** David reported that the application for the Government Youth Investment Fund grant (YIF) was progressing well and there were indications that planning approval for the development may be granted in the near future.

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM):** It was agreed that this would take place on Sunday 21 April 2024 after the 10am service in the church.

**Air entering heating system:** In the absence of a churchwarden, our PCC secretary explained that this is currently on hold until after Easter when the weather is more suited to undertaking the external work required which is to provide access to the pipework on the outside on the church. Following this, the method of the repair can be finalised and costed and completed in the summer when the heating can be switched off.

Next meetings: These are scheduled as follows:

<u>SC meetings:</u> 16 April, 18 June, 15 October, 10 December 2024; 18 February, 15 April 2025. <u>PCC meetings:</u> 19 March, 21 May, 23 July, 17 September, 19 November 2024; 21 January, 18 March 2025.

Tony Cocks PCC Secretary

## Live music in the Café

There are regular live music events in the Café on Fridays between 7 and 9pm. Entry is free, and refreshments are available from the counter.

The general pattern is as below, but is sometimes subject to change:

1st Friday of the month 2nd Friday 3rd Friday 4th Friday 5th Friday (if there is one) Open Mic with Brumside Radio Strings and Things The Café Band Voices Oz and Bob play Blues



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## Easter Services 2024

#### **Palm Sunday**

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March Holy Communion at 10 am

Monday 25th	Holy Communion at 7.30pm
Tuesday 26th	Holy Communion at 7.30pm
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion at 7.30pm

Holy Communion reflecting with Mark's Gospel chapters 13 and 14 on human destructiveness, false messiahs and human capacity for tenderness and bitterness.

#### **Maundy Thursday**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion at 7.30pm remembering the Last Supper and Jesus washing the disciples' feet, followed by The Watch, remembering Jesus' time in the Garden of Gethsemane.

#### **Good Friday**

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Walk of Witness along the High Street on Good Friday starting at 11.15 am at New Life Baptist Church and Walking to All Saints

1-3pm Meditations on the Characters at the Cross

following Mark's Gospel

#### Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March

7.30pm Vigil Service

#### **Easter Sunday**

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup>

(Note: Clocks go forward Saturday night)

6am Dawn Service in the Village Square

Followed by breakfast

Holy Communion at 8.00 am

Holy Communion at 10.00 am

## All Welcome

## High days and holy days

#### 10 March (this year) – Mothering Sunday, 4th Sunday in Lent

Mother Church, Mother Earth, Mother of the Gods, our human mothers – all of them have been part of the celebration of Mothering Sunday, as the fourth Sunday in Lent is affectionately known. It has been celebrated in the UK since at least the 16th century.

In Roman times, great festivals were held every spring to honour Cybele, Mother of all the Gods. Other pagan festivals in honour of Mother Earth were also celebrated. With the arrival of Christianity, the festival became one honouring Mother Church.

During the Middle Ages, young people apprenticed to craftsmen or working as 'live-in' servants were allowed only one holiday a year on which to visit their families, which is how Mothering Sunday got its name. This special day became a day of family rejoicing, and the Lenten fast was broken. In some places the day was called Simnel Day, because of the sweet cakes called simnel cakes traditionally eaten on that day.

In recent years the holiday has changed, and in many ways now resembles the American Mother's Day, with families going out to Sunday lunch and generally making a fuss of their mother on the day.

#### 24 March (this year) – Palm Sunday

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday, when the Church remembers how Jesus arrived at the gates of Jerusalem just a few days before the Passover was due to be held. He was the Messiah come to his own people in their capital city, and yet he came in humility, riding on a young donkey; not in triumph, riding on a warhorse.

As Jesus entered the city, the crowds gave him a rapturous welcome, throwing palm fronds into his path. They knew his reputation as a healer, and welcomed him. But sadly, the welcome was short-lived and shallow, for Jerusalem would soon reject her Messiah, and put him to death. On this day churches worldwide will distribute little crosses made from palm fronds in memory of Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem.

#### 1 April – All Fools' Day

In years gone by, the rules surrounding the April Fool were these: between midnight and noon on 1 April, everyone is fair game to be made a fool of; it is the morning of the practical joke. But the aim is not just to discomfort the victim: they must be tricked into taking action themself, sent on a 'fool's errand'. And so children would be sent to the dairy for a pint of dove's milk, or to the bookseller for *The Life of Eve's Mother*. Practical jokes on a bigger scale were played: in 1860 a vast number of people received an official-looking invitation to the Tower of London that read: 'Admit the Bearer and Friends to view the Annual Ceremony of Washing the White Lions.' Precisely the same trick had been played in 1698.

Then, on the stroke of noon, tradition decrees, April Fool is finished. If anyone attempts devilry thereafter, even while the clock is still striking, it recoils on their own head. A child would then race through the sing-song formula: 'April-Fool-Day's-past-and-gone-you're-the-fool-and-I-am-none!'

#### (adapted from <a href="http://www.parishpump.co.uk">www.parishpump.co.uk</a>)

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**Planned giving:** All are invited to join the planned giving scheme, contributing by Direct Debit (Parish Giving Scheme), Standing Order or Weekly Envelope. Taxpayers – please sign a Gift Aid declaration for reclaiming of tax and use of payroll giving if possible. Contact the Finance Team for further information. The church's Charity Commission Number is 1145723.

**Parish Office:** For enquiries about baptisms, baby naming services, banns and marriages, please contact the Parish Office: 9:30am-3pm Monday-Friday or via <u>parishoffice@allsaintschurchkh.org</u>.

**Ministry to the sick:** Visiting the sick at home or in hospital – please inform the Ministry Team of anyone who is sick. The Blessed Sacrament is reserved and oil is kept for ministry to the sick.

**Ministry of healing:** Laying-on of hands and anointing – last Saturday in the month at 9:15am as part of Morning Prayer, occasional Sunday evenings (as announced), and at home or in hospital as requested.

**Communion of the sick:** At home or in hospital, as requested, communion is taken, monthly, to the long-term sick or housebound.

**Other ministries:** For blessing of homes, celebrations of anniversaries, thanksgiving after childbirth, confession and counsel, please contact the Ministry Team.

Parochial Church Council (PCC)				
Officers	Lay Vice Chair Martha Ann Brookes 0121 444 5655	Secretary Tony Cocks 0121 441 2945	Treasurer Steve Brittle 01905 772171	
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#### All Saints Community Development Company (ASCDC)

Chair	Sarah Wilson	c/o 0121 444 0760	office@allsaints-cdc.co.uk
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Centre Manager	Paula McGrath	0121 444 8111		

#### **Ministry Team**

Vicar	David Warbrick	4 Vicarage Road, 0121 444 0260
Assistant Curate	Tariro Matsveru	c/o 0121 444 0760
Churchwardens	Vacant	
	Vacant	
Licensed Readers	Margaret Healey-Pollett	c/o 0121 444 0760
	Claire Wesley	0121 444 2778
Reader Emeritus	John Parkin	0121 604 6127
Pastoral Care Team	Juliet Bick, Becky Frall, Margaret	0121 444 0260
	Healey-Pollett, Tariro Matsveru,	
	Wendy Ross, Lu Skerratt-Love,	
	David Warbrick, Jenny Warbrick,	
	Des Workman	
Safeguarding Co-ordinator	Eira Jones	safeguarding@allsaintschurchkh.org
		07497 781681
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		0121 444 0260

## Worship

We have reopened for our Sunday services (said at 8am, sung at 10am and an evening service at 6:30pm), and 11:30am Wednesday service.

We will continue to provide an online order of service via the website and newsletter for those at home.

Up-to-date information can be found at <u>www.allsaintschurchkh.org</u> and we look forward to seeing you again soon.

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