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# Parish News

# Wick, Doynton, Dyrham and Hinton



# December 2024 and January 2025

### Dear friends and neighbours

Christmas is coming, and by the time you read this letter many people will be putting up the decorations both inside and out; Christmas tree lights shining in the darkness cheering us up as we pass them by. I wonder how many of you still buy advent calendars and mark off the days in December leading up to Christmas day. Advent, which means arrival, or start, of an event, is the beginning of the liturgical year in the church - a time of waiting, reflection and expectation. It is a time when we remember the coming of Jesus, the light of the world, born in Bethlehem and placed in a lowly manger far from home, the one who is Saviour of the World.

It is a time when the church wants nothing more than to share the message of the light shining in the darkness and celebrating the coming of Christ. One way in which we celebrate is by singing Christmas carols; one of my favourites is "God rest ye merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay. Remember Christ our Saviour was born on Christmas day, to save us all from Satan's power when we were gone astray. Oh, tidings of comfort and joy!" This hymn evokes thoughts of the good wishes we share at Christmas, that feeling of joy and wanting bygones to be bygones, a desire to wish each other well, like the warm sweet taste of the first sip of Christmas sherry. It's a message of reassurance that no matter what we are facing, God is with us and all will be well.

We would love you to come and join the celebrations, so that together we can share tidings of comfort and joy, and wish each other a Merry Christmas. There is lots on offer: candlelit carol services, Christingle, midnight communion and Christmas Eve services. There is no better way to celebrate Christmas than by giving praise to the one who was born into the world bringing messages of peace, hope and love.

When Christmas day finally arrives and we sit down to enjoy our Christmas dinner, let's give a thought and a prayer to all who have Wishing you a Merry Christmas, with glad tidings of comfort and joy, and a joyful New Year

With love and prayers *Revd Elaine* 



# News from St Bartholomew's

Well, now's the time to find out if all that Christmas planning will pay off, or if I was actually just chatting and lunching, under the pretence of "working"

Have a look at the centre pages for details of all the services on offer over Christmas and New Year, hopefully there will be something that takes your fancy. I particularly commend the 9 Lessons & Carols (*my baby*) on the 15th and the Christmas Eve Crib service, which is glorious mayhem thanks to Jane & Andy Gillis. I will be dressing as an angel that afternoon, as is traditional, right and proper. I encourage you to get into the spirit of things and dress accordingly too. Every year I threaten to hand out tinsel haloes and tea towels-n-string to all the adults, one year I may actually do it! We have lots of costumes for the children to dress up in. Bring your cameras. And tissues.

The new Community Church service on the 4th Sunday of the month is going from strength to strength, largely due to the efforts of the children from Wick School, it has to be said. They kept Jane "on message", looked after Billy the Dog and helped explain what was going on very effectively, and we all loved it! The bacon baps were pretty good, too. Try it out for yourself, on 22nd December, where if we are lucky there will be sweets left over after we make Christingles... fingers crossed, eh?

Any comments about the wildflower area or the field at the back will be met with fingers in ears and "Lalalala, I can't hear you..." or "I'll

# Doynton Parish Pump

**Doynton Christmas card delivery:** post cards for friends in the village in the church porch from December 1st. Delivery December 23rd. Please provide full name and address!

**Christmas services** in Holy Trinity church: candlelight carol service on Sunday December 15th, 6.30 p.m., led by Archdeacon Christopher Bryan. Please bring a candle in a suitable holder. **Christmas Eve** in Doynton Tuesday December 24th, 6.30 p.m. at the Cross House Inn then processing down to the church, with mince pies and mulled wine to follow. Christmas morning Holy Communion service on Wednesday December 25th, 10 a.m., led by Rev. Elaine. (Also: Churches Together on Sunday December 29th, at St Thomas, Pucklechurch, 10 a.m.).

And for the pagans: **wassail** in Summers Field community orchard on Tuesday January 7th 2025, 6.30 p.m. Bring a torch and an instrument or bash a saucepan to drive the evil spirits from the orchard and promote a good apple harvest next year. And don't forget to dress warmly!

**Friends of Summers Field**: Sally Pattison from South Glos Council will give a demonstration on **fruit-tree and hedge pruning** on Sunday January 19th, 10.00 a.m. – free entry, with free tea and cake. Please confirm attendance (email Lisaj.Williams[at] me.com or phone 07974 771670).

**Doynton Hard Half** Marathon is on Sunday February 2nd, starting at 11.00 a.m. It's hilly, it's muddy, it's great fun (or so they tell us). Residents are inconvenienced as little as possible and kept fully informed. To volunteer or for further information, email dhhm@emersonsgreenrunningclub.co.uk.

**Seed swap and plant sale:** Saturday March 8th from 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon in the village hall, focusing on seed from wildflowers and garden plants that attract wildlife. Garden tools, equipment and books will also be on sale.

**Local Nature Action Plans**: Little Things Matter: Doynton is preparing its own parish plan to help nature, addressing broader issues like preserving or recovering habitats and creating nature corridors where nature can thrive. Potential projects being evaluated are: a wildlife tower; the creation of a wildlife corridor between Doynton and Dyrham; and a scheme to monitor the health of our rivers. Contact Sarah Magraw (sarah.magraw [at] gmail.com).

Bulb planting: more bulbs planted in October – look out for them in spring!

Doynton Village Market: market dates in December are Saturdays 7th and 21st (the latter mainly to pick up pre-ordered goods, but do stay on for festive treats). We have on sale home-made Christmas puddings, and will be taking orders for mince pies and any other Christmas goodies, as well as our usual cakes, puddings, chocolate truffles, fudges, etc. If you want anything for the festive season, please pre-order (details below). Gluten-free products available to order, also apple juice, fresh vegetables and eggs. Our nimble-fingered crafters offer a varied selection of cards and pictures, plus home-made collectable soft figures and sewn and knitted products: please come along and you may find something unique! As always, please order by phone (07711 670704, note new number), message or WhatsApp, before midday on the Wednesday before the market. For the December 21st market, please order by Saturday Dec 14th at the latest. No market January 4th, next markets January 18th and February 7th and 21st.

**The Memory Cafe** at Doynton meets on Thursday December 5th in Doynton village hall: activities and companionship for people with dementia and their carers. For more information, see Facebook "The Memory Cafe at Doynton", email mcdoynton [at] gmail.com or tel. 07817 311001.

**Doynton and Wick WI** met for their November meeting at Doynton Village Hall. The speaker was practically a neighbour! John Lever gave an interesting and engaging presentation on four women from the past who contributed to modern art in this country. At the subsequent AGM a new Treasurer, Secretary and committee were elected, with Tina Holbrook continuing as President for a further year. In December, members will be dining at the Cross House, Doynton for their Christmas celebrations. The WI Group Christmas concert will take place on Monday December 9th, 7.00 p.m., in Holy Trinity church, Doynton. The meeting on January 8th (7.30 p.m.) will be in Wick Chapel, when Ben Stock will entertain members with songs from his repertoire.

The **"Warm Wednesdays" community café** is back every Wednesday, 10.30 a.m.–12.00 noon, in the village hall. Be there or be square!

**Post Office** in the village hall: every Thursday 9.30–10.30 a.m. for standard post office services. Order groceries by 6.00 p.m. Wednesday for collection (Oldland Common Post Office and Store, tel. 932 3159).

The Pump will be spending Christmas watching the bulbs grow. A happy

Christmas and a peaceful New Year to you all!



# <u>The Owl's Nest</u> Welcome to the news for December and January Please email wickparishmagazine@outlook.com with your news items for the February edition Monday 20th January

Anthea Watts writes:

### **Forthcoming events**

A Walk in December to be confirmed - weather permitting!

An evening of ten pin bowling to be confirmed

Tuesday 3 December - Christmas meal at The Cross House, Doynton.

We are always pleased to welcome new members to join our happy and friendly group. If you are interested in joining us or coming to any of the above events, then feel free to contact our President, Wendy Haynes, on 07930 851582 for more information.

I am excited to announce the opening of **Every Body Acupuncture.** Located on Barrow Hill, the clinic offers Acupuncture, Tui Na (a Chinese style of massage) and a range of other treatments. I am excited to be treating in Wick, the village that I grew up in,

I graduated from the College of Integrated Chinese Medicine, with BSc (Hons) and Lic Ac, having undertaking 3.5 years of training enabling me to treat a wide range of conditions from musculoskeletal issues, migraines, fatigue to long term chronic issues. I offer a free 15 minute consultation to see if acupuncture is right for you. I am a member of The British Acupuncture Council (BAcC) which means that your treatment may be covered if you have health insurance.

I look forward to meeting you!

Everybodyacu.co.uk

Everybodyacu@hotmail.co.uk 07714784472

# NOTICE TO PARENTS & CARERS OF GIRLS OVER 7

2nd Wick Brownies have a few spaces coming up in the new year. Some things we have been doing in the past couple of years to give you an idea of what it's about: STEM Engineering day at The Aviation Museum,



cinema trip, bowling trip, Roman Baths trip, Legoland, wild camping, adventure activities weekend, lots of nature based activities outside, community engagement, fundraising raising stall at local market, carol singing, remembrance parade, and lots of badges as well as getting to know themselves and their local area better. If your daughter is 7 or older and would like to join us for their most amazing community experience, learn new skills and make new friendships, in a safe and fun environment at a low cost, please drop us an email. 2ndwbrownies@gmail.com or sign up for a trial session online

https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-a-child.

A big thank you to all those who have kept guiding in Wick going for such a long time. The whole Girl Guide organisation relies on volunteers, no-one is paid to give up their time, if you would like to help out we will always welcome new volunteers, get in touch if you'd like to know more.

2nd Wick Brownies Volunteer Team

Got family coming for Christmas? Looking for somewhere local they can stay? Yew Tree Cottage on Holbrook Lane has a lovely Annexe that has been rated 4\* by Visit England! It sleeps 2 people in 1 bedroom, has a well equipped kitchen, lounge area with views over fields and our lovely garden. For more info, contact:

Tel: 07736 448853, or Email: Info@yewtreebath.co.uk www.yewtreebath.co.uk

# Having trouble with your hearing? Eh? Pardon?

There is a lady who provides ear wax microsuction at Kingswood Health Centre - but the good news is, you don't have to get all the way up there, as she does home visits, too! If that's something that you think you could do with, contact Emily White on 0117 990 2796 or go to her website: www.bristolearhealth.co.uk





# Dyrham & Hinton Diversions

## Women's Institute

For our November AGM and open meeting members and the local community were thoroughly entertained by Storm Force Ten, Bristol's Brightest Sea Shanty Band. They sang a broad repertoire of sea songs with guitar and percussion and explained their origins. The band



formed ten years ago when 6 retirees started meeting up weekly to entertain local community groups. They raise funds for their chosen yearly charities and this year they have raised over £3500 for a local sight loss charity. Further information <a href="https://stormforce10.co.uk/">https://stormforce10.co.uk/</a>

Future meetings: (Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday every month 7pm Dyrham & Hinton Village Hall)

12th Dec Christmas Party, Cross House Doynton

24th Jan Panto trip (Warmley Players) Alice in Wonderland.



Dyrham & Hinton WI Book Club (Read Between the Wines):

Book club members met up on the 20 th of November to discuss Miss Graham's Cold War Cookbook by Celia Rees- A striking historical novel about an ordinary British women sent to uncover the network of spies and war criminals post-war Germany.

We welcome new members; ladies can attend up to 2 initial meetings without any obligations. We meet on the  $2^{nd}$  Thursday of each month. For further information please contact us at:

dyrhamandhintoncommitteewi@gmail.com

# **Dyrham and Hinton Communications (DaHComm)**

DaHComm is the parish's electronic messaging system, and is available to all to send a message out to all the people in the parish who have registered an interest. Messages are sent out via email or text. Messages normally announce events or useful information such as road closures.

To request a message send an email, with "request" in the subject, to dahcomm@outlook.com. Please keep your messages to text only (no pictures), and preferably short. The team will pick up the request as soon as possible.

# **Boyd Valley Painting Group**



The Boyd Valley painting group meet every Thursday morning between the hours of 10.00am and 1.00pm at the Dyrham & Hinton Village Hall. We are a self help group of local residents within Boyd valley who have a mutual interest in learning and improving basic artistic skills in a very friendly and helpful atmosphere.

If you are interested in joining the group please call on the following telephone number and leave a message if no answer.

### Andrew Hedges (Dyrham) 01179372928.

The group will take its Christmas break with the last class of the year on 5th December and restarting in the new year on 9th January.



Please send any contributions for the next Dyrham & Hinton Diversions to Angela Griffiths (angela.dahparishnews@gmail.com) by 18th January.

News from the URC Chapel

The Worship Group led our Remembrance Service this year. Margaret Jones read the list of names from the War Memorial, and we remembered the men from the village who gave the ultimate sacrifice. Anne laid the wreath on the War Memorial. The United Reformed Church www.urc.org.uk

The knitted poppies were displayed once again. However, our thoughts were also with the human suffering in all parts of the world and our prayers were for peace.

We look back over the year and feel very proud of what has been achieved. The schoolroom has been transformed, a new sound System installed and roof slates were replaced. Our next big spend will be a complete upgrade of the electric circuit and the replacing of a downpipe at the front of the building. The next challenge is to replace the Notice Board, and we hope, very soon, to brighten the front of our grey building with a bright and welcoming sign which will be dedicated to the memory of Megan and Mel Williams.

At the time of writing, we look forward to our Annual Christmas Sale. Unfortunately, this year we won't have the usual visit from Father Christmas. However, our stalls will be brimming full of goodies. Our refreshments, as always, will be mouth watering and the other stalls include toys, books, bric-a-brac, bottle, chocolate, cakes, Christmas goods, a raffle and new items.



On Christmas Eve we have our traditional candlelit Carol Service starting at 6.30 p.m. We will sing your favourite carols and listen to readings and poems. You would be very welcome to join us.

# News from your Parish Council

Village News for Wick & Abson www.wickabsonpcgov.uk

- Parish Clerk email contact: <u>wickabson\_parishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk</u>
- Grants: local voluntary groups and qualifying organisations are invited to bid for a financial support grant. The PC may award up to £2,500 per application per year at its discretion, and subject to budget availability. For more information, please contact the Parish Clerk or download application forms from the PC website <u>www.wickabsonpcgov.uk</u>
- Bleed control kit: a new bleed kit will be installed at a location to be agreed around the shops in Milford Avenue. (More on that later Ed.)
- **Defibrillators:** a new defibrillator has been installed at the Church Hall, St Barthlomew's. The others are located at Wick Village Hall; Wick Primary School (not 24hrs); the hall, Boyd Close; Wick Sports Ground; and outside Glebe Cottage, Abson by the bus stop.
- **Planning:** (I knew it had been too quiet! Ed) P24/02420/HH: 49 Naishcombe Hill, Wick – installation of a new heat pump - no objection.

P24/02162/F: Land adjacent to 20 Mendip Close, Wick – new dwelling – no objection.

P24/02430/F: Land off Badgers Brook Lane, Abson – temporary rural worker dwelling – *objection: lane address does not exist, vehicular access via bridle path not permitted, over development in the green belt, no end date advised.* 

P24/02438/HH: 2 Naishcombe Hill, Wick – two storey side extension to create new living space – *no objection*.

P24/02481/CLP: The Rosary, Chesley Hill, Siston - single storey storage building – objection – access across common land without consent, being used as domestic accommodation, subject to previous demolition order. P24/02407/HH: 4 St Annes Drive, Wick – single storey front and rear extensions for new utility and bathroom – no objection.

Next Parish Council meeting:
 7:15pm Thursday 12th December 2024, Wick Village Hall.

# Wick Football Club

It's been a good month for Wick Football, with all four sides performing well and playing attractive football.



The first team have pushed themselves into the top six of the County League and are through to the next round of the GFA Senior Amateur Cup, where they will play DRG Stapleton away from the Nest on Sat 14th Dec, KO 2pm. Our hope is that the reserves will also progress to the next round, and they play their cup game on the Downs this coming Saturday (23rd Nov). Our Veterans are still undefeated and came back from a 2-0 deficit in their last game against Rapid Dementia, winning 7 -2 to go to second place in the league. They play leaders Cribbs Vets on Sunday 01st December, KO 10:30am at home. The Sunday team have a crunch match against Bristol Academia on Sunday 24th November at Wick FC. Bristol Academia piped them to the league title last season so it will be all to play for.

Our clubs aim is to reach step 6 in the near future and we also want to build a relationship that will allow young footballers to progress through to senior football, in an organised way should they wish. If you know of anyone interested in linking a Youth set-up with our seniors please contact Matt on the number below.

# **Wick Sports Ground**

Work has started on the clubhouse refurbishment that includes changes to meet fire regulations whilst having our maximum capacity inside. The Sports ground is also looking to replace it's wood burner to ensure a warm welcome, so come and have a look at the changes we are making. Our next committee meeting is on Thursday 5th December at 7pm if you fancy coming along.

Clubhouse & 3G Multi-Games Area For Hire – If you are interested in hiring the outdoor court or clubhouse with disco facilities, please contact Matt on 07977 510352 for availability and costs.

# **December & January Fixtures**

### 1st Team (KO 2pm)

7	H MGCL	Bromley Heath United
14	A GFA	R4 DRG Stapleton
21	A MGCL	Cheltenham Civil Service
28	A MGCL	Filton Athletic
4 Jar	n H MGCL	Frampton United
18	A MGCL	Ruardean Hill Rangers
25	H MGCL	Totterdown United
Reserves (KO 2pm) B&D Div 3		

- 07 H AFC Mangotsfield District Reserves
- 14 A De Veys Reserves
- 21 H Nicholas Wanderers A
- 18 Jan A Hengrove 88 First
- 25 A Bristol United FC

### Sunday Team (KO 10:30am) Bristol Premier Sunday

- 01 A Shire Green Rovers
- 08 H Bristol Squeezer
- 12 Jan H Bristol Squeezers

### Vets (KO 10:30am) 45's Division 1

- 01 H Cribbs Vets
- 19 Jan A Henleaze Corinthians

Sponsoring Wick FC is a fantastic way of contributing and supporting sport in our community and makes a visible difference as every penny of sponsor money is reinvested in football equipment and facilities for the club. If you would like details of all our sponsorship packages please contact Matt Davis on 07977 510352.

# Up the OWLS.

# Sunday Services December 2024

**1st December - Advent Sunday** 

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am All Together HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON Sarah and Jane



10.00am Holv Communion

Rev Elaine Jones

# WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Advent service with favourite carols

# ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Holy Communion ST JAMES'S ABSON 3.30pm Evensong

Steve Britton





# ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.15am Holy Communion HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON 10.00am Café Church WICK CHAPEL



9.45am Breakfast club ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH **Rev Stephen Newell** 

10.00am Morning Worship

**Omar Begg** 

# 15th December - 3rd Sunday of Advent

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am 9 Lessons & Carols

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

6.30pm Carols by Candlelight

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

ST PETER'S DYRHAM

6.00pm Carol Service WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Family Sharing

10.00am Café church

Rev Flaine Jones

The Ven Christopher Bryan



ST JAMES'S ABSON 8.45am Holv Communion 22nd December - 4th Sunday of Advent ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK 10.00am NEW! Community Church Jones WICK CHAPEL 10.30am A visit to the Holy Shed ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH 10.00am Morning Worship 6.30pm **Carols and Readings** ST JAMES'S ABSON 3.00pm **Carol Service** 24th December - Christmas Eve ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK 3.00pm Crib Service 11.00pm Midnight Communion **Christmas Carols** 6.30pm WICK CHAPEL 6.30 pm Candlelit Carols ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH 3.00pm Christingle 11.00pm Midnight Communion 25th December - Christmas Day ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK 10.00am Morning Prayer HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON 10.00am Holy Communion **ST PETER'S DYRHAM** 10.00am Village Service

(continued overleaf)



**Rev Elaine** 



Steve Burgess **Omar Begg** 

**Rev Elaine Jones** 

Jane & Andy Gillis **Rev Flaine Jones Rev Elaine Jones** 

Rev Flaine Jones **Rev Steve Britton** 





# Sunday Services January 2025

# **Christmas Day** (continued)

# ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Morning Worship ST JAMES'S ABSON 08.45am Holy Communion

Omar Begg

**Rev Canon Ian Wills** 

# 29th December - 1st Sunday of Christmas

# ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Benefice Holy Communion **Rev Elaine Jones** WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Morning Worship

Mrs Margaret White

**5th January - Epiphany** ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK 10.00am All Together HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON 10.00am Holy Communion WICK CHAPEL

**Rev Elaine Jones** 

Steve & Cathy

Worship Group

10.30am Starting 2025 ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH 10.00am Holy Communion ST JAMES'S ABSON

**Rev Steve Britton** 



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12 January - Baptism of Christ ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK 10.15am Morning Worship HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON 10.00am Café Church

Suzy Britton



Omar Begg

19th January - 2nd Sunday of Epiphany ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK 10.00am Morning Worship WICK CHAPEL 10.30am Family Sharing ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH 10.00am Café church

**Steve Burgess** 

Linda Byrne

**Rev Elaine Jones** 

26th January - 3rd Sunday of Epiphany ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK 10.00am Community Church **Rev Elaine Jones** HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON 10.00am Holy Communion WICK CHAPEL 10.30am A visit to the Holy Shed

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH 10.00am Morning Worship **Burgess** 

**Rev Steve Britton** 



# The Memory Cafe at Doynton

Our local Memory Cafe meets monthly on the first Thursday from 2-4pm at Doynton Village Hall.

Anyone living with memory loss or dementia, together with a friend, family member or carer, is welcome to attend this free social get-together. We have a variety of activities and entertainment at each cafe as well as tea and cake, conversation and laughter. Our home-made cakes are provided by members of local WI groups or by our volunteers and these are much appreciated.

We also have available at the cafe a great deal of useful information for anyone newly diagnosed with dementia or who needs particular support and there are always volunteers available to offer a listening ear or to signpost family members or carers to sources of help.

In September the Memory Cafe at Doynton received an award from the Bristol Dementia Action Alliance for our work to raise awareness of dementia in our community and we were very pleased to be recognised in this way.

In 2024 we have welcomed a growing number of visitors from all over the local area and we look forward to meeting even more in 2025 when we have a full programme of activities planned - starting with our first cafe of the year on Thursday 2nd January!

As our cafe is free for our visitors we raise funds in various ways to meet our costs. In October we ran a very successful quiz and we are fortunate to be supported by grants from local councils and by donations from local organisations and individuals.

We couldn't do any of it without our team of friendly volunteers drawn from villages all around the area who give their time, talent and energy to make



A relaxed, informal and **free** drop in café, providing support for people with dementia along with a family member, carer, or friend. The café meets from 2-4 on the first Thursday in every nonth in Doynton Village Hall- BS30 5SY

For December, as in previous Christmas cafés, there will be an afternoon filled with seasonal activities and food including sausage rolls, mince pies, Christmas cake etc! There will be a return visit of the ukulele band to lead us in carol singing. The session will finish with singing some Christmas hits from the past. The BIG RED BALLOON will finish our cafés for 2024!

To start 2025. our January session, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> will be a low key affair with our usual art and quiz activities, jigsaw and a game of bingo. We will finish with singing and of course- the BIG RED BALLOON!



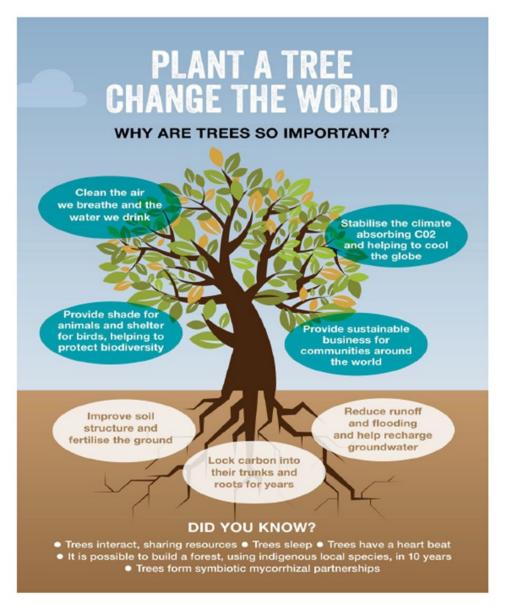
Come along and enjoy the fun!



# Environmental Challenge December /January



This Christmas: Buy trees to plant and grow. Donate a Tree: (eg. with Tree Aid or Woodland Trust). Plan for tree planting locally in Spring 2025.





Comunity Welcome Space Donations are accepted between 8:30am and 9:30am Doors open for shopping from 9:30am until 11am

The first Saturday of each month, at Wick Village Hall

The only cost is your entrance fee! Adults: £5 each / under 18s are free when accompanied by a paying adult!

A huge thank you to Dart Heating & Pumbling for helping sponsor a portion of our rent, this allows us to continue to run our event If you or your business would like to sponsor our event, please get in touch or talk with one of our staff at our next event Bringing the community back together and reducing landfill Contact: @wickcommunityfreecycle on Instagram / Wick Community Free-Cycle on Facebook wickcommunityfreecycle@gmail.com / Proceeeds go to Wick Pre-School

From March onwards, we'll be holding a "community cuppa" hour, from 11am until 12pm after each free-cycle! We invite members of our local community to come along for a cuppa and a chat, totally free! If you're already at free-cycle, you're more than welcome to stay 🖤 Wick Chapel Christmas Eve 6.30 pm Candlelit Carols with readings, poems and solos.

All welcome!



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Christmas Eve in Doynton Meet at the Cross House at 6.30 Walk and sing to the church Mince pies and mulled wine to follow





# **Christmas Eve at St Bartholomew's**

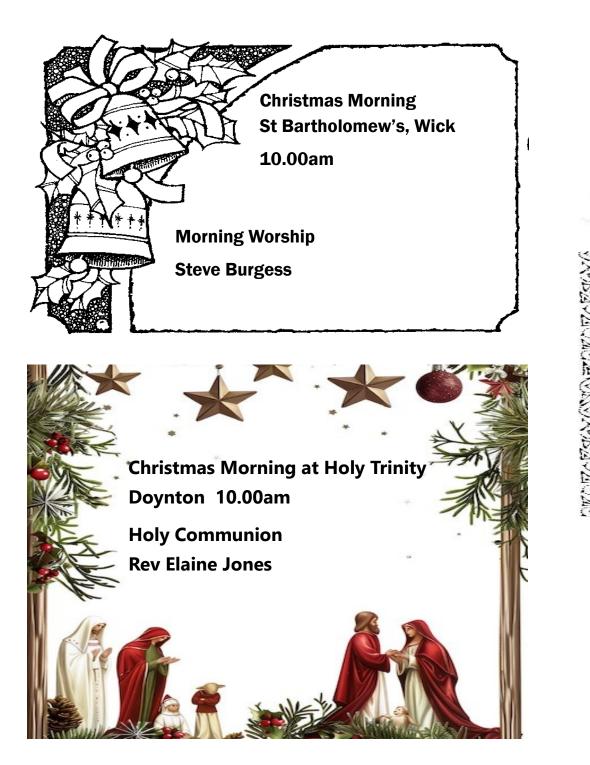
# Crib Service at 3pm.

Come dressed as your favourite Nativity character. Very, VERY family friendly service.

Will there be puppets? Will there be doggies? Come and see



Midnight Communion St Bartholomew's, Wick 11.00 pm Christmas Eve





CHRISTMAS MORNING ST JAMES ABSON 10.00AM HOLY COMMUNION REV CANON IAN WILLS

# **Open Door**

Every Friday 10.30 – 11.30am Church Room St Bartholomew's, Wick. All are welcome to meet friends and neighbours. Coffee, chat and a Thought for the Day.

Fri 13th Dec - our Christmas meal, so no meeting in the Church Room.



No meeting on 27th, we meet again 3rd Jan

Happy Christmas, everyone!

# ROTAS FOR DECEMBER 2024 AND JANUARY 2025

# WICK CHURCH FLOWERS

Dec 7th	Anne Reynolds
15/2/29	Suzy Britton

Jan 4/11Suzy Britton18/25Yvonne Symes

# WICK CHURCH CLEANING

7thSarah Hewett21st Jeannette Bailey

Jan 4thPat Russell18thMonica/Barbara

# WICK SIDESPERSONS

1st Steve Butt
8th Pam Milton and Jane Brookman
15th TBC
22nd Suzy Britton
Christmas Eve 3.00pm TBC

# Wick Church Toddlers



Every Tuesday, 10 am - 11.45 am All Welcome

For info, please ring 0117 9373581



**14th** Suzy Britton

11thJeannette Bailey25thSueButt





