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# Newsletter

Sunday 8th March 2026  
3rd Sunday in Lent

**Lent Sermon Series - Hope in the Ruins**  
**Lamentations: 3:19-26 - The God Who Never Stops Listening**

9:00am Holy Communion

10:45am Morning Service

6:30 for 7pm New Wine Chester Worship Celebration

**at St Marks, Saltney**

## **This Week at Kids Church**

Praying for our mothers

## **This Week at All Saints Youth**

10:45am Breakfast Club - Bible Explored: Joel

6:00 - 8:30pm - Campfire!

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## **Prayer Focus**

Following on from this week's Prayer Gathering, our prayer focus is the homeless community in Chester and all those that provide care and support, including Heart & Soul Cafe.

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## **Helpful Service Information**

### **Live Streaming**

- Our 10:45am services are being live-streamed and recorded to support those unable to attend. The stream and recording may appear online (website, YouTube, social media).
- If you sit in the first three rows or are on the Chancel, you may be visible on camera.
- **No Filming Zones:** All seating after the first three rows of pews.
- No filming will take place during moments of prayer ministry or during the administering of Holy Communion.
- Please speak to our welcome team or Wardens if you need help.
- Thank you for helping us keep our services accessible to all.

### **Crèche**

The 'Raven' room is set up as a crèche and is available for use during the 10:45am service each week. Parents and carers are welcome to use this space at any time during the service. Please note: a parent or guardian will need to stay with their child while using the crèche.

### **Church Access Kits**

We want you—and the children you care for—to feel comfortable and included during our services. Our Access Kits are designed to support children with additional needs but are available for all children to use. Each kit contains a selection of helpful items to make your time in church more enjoyable and accessible. You can find them with our welcomers when you arrive.

# Weekly Church Calendar

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## What's on Next Week

### Monday 9th

Heart & Soul Cafe: 8:45am-2pm  
Little Lights: 10-11:30am  
Encounter: 7:45pm  
Alpha Course: 7:45pm

### Tuesday 10th

Heart & Soul Cafe: 8:45am-2pm  
The 'Raven' Community: 10:30am  
After-School Drop In: 3:30-5pm  
Deo Gratias Choir: 7:30pm

### Wednesday 11th

Bible Study Fellowship: 9:55-11:30am

### Thursday 12th

Heart & Soul Cafe: 8:45am-2pm  
Chatty Group in Heart & Soul Café: 10:30am  
The 'Sparrowhawks' Community: 11:30am

### Friday 13th

Craft Club: 1:30pm

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## REVISION OF THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

Are you a regular member of All Saints? Are you on the Church Electoral Roll? If you are 16, have been baptised and either live in the parish or have worshipped regularly with All Saints for at least six months, you can apply to be on the roll. This allows you to vote for PCC members at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, or even to stand for election yourself!

Forms are available in church, the church office and can also be emailed or posted to you. Please speak to Helen Dymond or email [helen.dymond@allsaints.church](mailto:helen.dymond@allsaints.church)

Completed application forms must be returned to the church office no later than  
**22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026.**

## OASIS

**1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month**  
**All Saints Church Centre**  
**1:30-3pm**

If you are retired or of retirement age, come and enjoy an afternoon of fun, friendship and more besides - including tea and cake!

## THE PRAYER GATHERING

**1ST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH**  
**ALL SAINTS CHURCH, 7.45-8.45PM**

**A monthly gathering to pray together  
for our world, city and church**

# News

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Dear All Saints Family,

Just in case you missed the recent exciting announcement, we're delighted to share that All Saints will be welcoming a Curate (a trainee vicar) this July. Lizzie Guy will be joining our team, along with her husband Matthew and their three children, as they settle into the All Saints family.

Lizzie will be getting ordained a Deacon (made a Reverend) at Chester Cathedral and will be licensed to serve at All Saints from 5th July for three years. During that time, Craig and the team will support and train her as she grows in ministry, before she moves on to a new role in leadership or chaplaincy from 2029.

We're really excited not only to support Lizzie in this next stage of her calling, but also to receive the gifts and experience she will bring to our community here in Hoole.

Please do pray for the Guy family as they prepare for this important transition. We look forward to welcoming them very soon.

Love and prayers,  
Craig



## New Wine Leadership Conference

Last week a small number of ministry leaders had the opportunity to attend the New Wine Leadership Conference in Harrogate.

It was an amazing time together as we pressed in to God's Word and worshipped together with over 2000 other leaders. The theme for the conference was 'The Passionate Pursuit of God.' There were a number of keynote speakers and seminars on prayer, multiplying churches, the quiet revival, Holy Spirit ministry to name a few. If you'd like to know more, why not speak to Craig, Gemma, Sam, Andy or Rhiannon.



# Easter Outreach



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## Easter Party

For Primary School Aged Children

**Wednesday 1st April**  
**5.30pm- 7.00pm**

Calling all Primary School aged children!  
You are invited to our Easter Party!  
There will be Easter themed crafts, games and tea provided.

Spaces are limited so sign up [HERE](#)

NB - This is a drop off party  
There is a suggested donation of £2.50 per child to cover food

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Can You Help?

## Easter Party

**Wednesday 1st April**  
**5.30pm - 7pm**

We are hosting an Easter Party for local families and we need team! Could you help? We need people to run a craft or game table (everything will be planned and provided for you).

If you are able to help, please email Gemma on [gemma.gaudion@allsaints.church](mailto:gemma.gaudion@allsaints.church)

**Blessing Children at Hoole Primary School who otherwise wouldn't be receiving an Easter Egg this year.**

**We need to purchase 40 eggs costing £5.50 each and we're over half way there!!!**

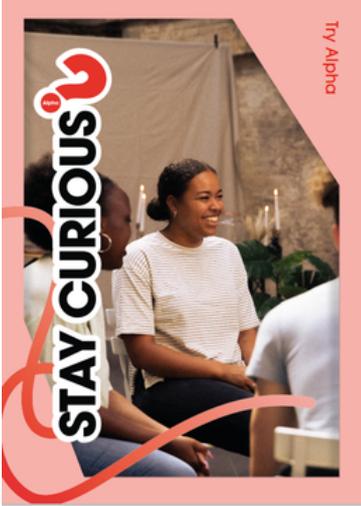


Thank you so much to all those who have already donated to this appeal - we really do appreciate your support.

This is a great opportunity to bless local children while sharing the real meaning of why we celebrate Easter and there's still time to contribute by giving [HERE](#) or by bank transfer to the Church account using the reference **EASTER EGG**.

Thank you for your continued support!

# Upcoming Events and News



Try Alpha

**Alpha - Mondays - 7:45pm  
@ All Saints Hoole**

**There's still  
time to sign up  
- scan the QR  
code or use  
the link [HERE](#)  
to join us.**

**TRY  
ALPHA**



**NW NEW WINE CHESTER**

*Worship Celebration*

**Date: Sunday 8th March**  
**Speaker: Bishop Jill Duff**  
**6.30pm: Refreshments**  
**7PM: Worship Starts**  
**Venue: St Marks, Saltney**



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*Marriage MOT*

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March**  
**7.30pm - 9.30pm**  
**All Saints Church  
Centre**

After the success of the first Marriage MOT last year, we are running another session. These sessions are stand alone sessions so don't worry if you didn't attend the first evening. Whether you have been married for 5 minutes or what feels like a life time, this night is for you! A chance to invest in your marriage over coffee and cake. No group work. One off event. Speak to Gemma for more information.

[Click HERE to sign up](#)

Save  
The  
Date

**COSTA  
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**HOLIDAYS**

**2026**



Our Costa del  
Holiday this  
year will be a  
one day  
event on

**Monday**

**24th August.**

Please do put  
this date in  
your diary.

Further details  
will be coming

soon.

# Other Events and News



## See you at our Lent Lunch?

This year we welcome you to join us for a simple lunch of soup, cheese and a little more ...

**Weekly: 12 noon – 1.30pm**

Monday 23rd February at **St Mary's Handbridge**

Monday 2nd March at **Wesley, St John Street**,  
(catered by the Cathedral)

Monday 9th March at **Wesley, St John Street**,  
(catered by St Werburgh's & City Road Presbyterian churches)

Friday 20th March at **Hoole URC, Hoole Road**

### Donations to Christian Aid



#### What we do

We work with local partners and communities to fight injustice, respond to humanitarian emergencies, campaign for change, and help people claim the services and rights they are entitled to. Every pound donated and every fundraising event held helps us to eradicate poverty.

## DEPUTY CHRISTIAN AID REPRESENTATIVE NEEDED

All Saints has supported Christian Aid for many years, including, this year, with the Lent Lunches. In May, during Christian Aid week, there will again be a sponsored cycle ride. Christian Aid works hand-in-hand with local churches to help communities in countries suffering the results of climate change, war and natural disasters. There is a Chester Christian Aid committee that organises a wider range of events. David

Holton is the current Christian Aid representative, who liaises between All Saints and the Christian Aid committee, and he would value a co-worker. He feels that a second person would bring new ideas and enthusiasm to the role. If you feel you would like to get involved in this worthy cause, please could you mention it to Craig or David Holton, or email Helen Dymond at [helen.dymond@allsaints.church](mailto:helen.dymond@allsaints.church)

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2026

**A Women-led, Global, Ecumenical Movement**

**Friday 6th March 2026 at 10.30am**

*A one hour service for all will be held at*

**St. John the Baptist Church, Little St. John Street, Chester. CH1 1QX**

This year's service has been prepared by Christian Women from Nigeria with the theme:

**'I will give you rest, come'**

All are welcome so do join us if you can!

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER  
INFORMED PRAYER, PRAYERFUL ACTION**

*For more information see Elaine Hemmings*

## Who Let The Dads Out?

For dads, male carers, father figures and their children at Hoole Lighthouse Centre. Who Let The Dads Out? – Age range 0-5 (but flexible). 1st Saturday of each month. 10am to 12 noon. £2.50 per family.





# NEWS FROM HOOLE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

'let your light shine'

Matthew 5:16 Sermon on the Mount



Chester Diocesan Learning Trust  
Shaping Better Futures. One Body; Many Parts

We have extended our clubs offer this half term. Pupils can now participate in 'Digital Wizards' club where they can learn about innovative and creative uses of technology. In every session, pupils will work with cutting edge technology, engaging in activities such as coding moving robots and exploring virtual reality.

This club adds another dimension to our already rich clubs offer which encompasses sports, arts, drama and music.

We talk a lot to children about how so much time can be wasted on mobile devices. At Hoole, we encourage children to put their devices down and go out and do something that enables them to shine brightly instead.

Pupils have lots of genius ideas which can be brought to life by investing perseverance, motivation, enthusiasm and determination.

Often children inspire each other. We celebrate every creation and pupils often develop their own ideas based on the creativity and innovation they have seen in the work of others. We are seeing lots of ideas which may become businesses in the future – we certainly have many young entrepreneurs!

It is joyful to see children embracing this with their whole hearts. For example, Isla came bounding into school after the holidays so excited to show us the family of penguins she had made from some toilet roll tubes. Esme's dolls house was made from a cardboard box – she even made the furniture and paper shoes to fit her Barbie doll. Oliver created some incredible diamond art!

We just never stop at Hoole!

Thank you for your prayers and good wishes for our school family.

Rosalind Flanders  
Headteacher



## AFTER DARK MARCH DIARY

<b>SUN 1ST</b>	<b>STUDY</b> Y7-9 & Y9+ SESSIONS
<b>FRI 6TH</b>	<b>YTHX</b> FESTIVAL @ 7PM
<b>SUN 8TH</b>	<b>CAMPFIRE!</b> WORSHIP & TESTIMONY
<b>SUN 15TH</b>	<b>MOTHERING SUNDAY</b> NO YOUTH - NO RUSH
<b>SUN 22ND</b>	<b>STUDY</b> Y7-9 & Y9+ SESSIONS
<b>SUN 29TH</b>	<b>SOCIAL</b> MOVIE NIGHT

All Saints Youth PM 2025/26

KEEP UP TO DATE WITH OUR YOUTH CALENDAR

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# MOVIE NIGHT

2 Movie rooms, 2 different Movies, 2 Movies chosen for you!  
Hot meal provided at 6pm (free, but donations appreciated)  
Popcorn and Tuck Shop available  
Sunday 29th March 2026 6pm - 8.30pm

CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE ON SPOND

## AFTERSCHOOL TERM TIME

# DROP IN

**FOR Y6-Y11S**  
**EVERY TUESDAY**  
**3.30 PM - 5.00 PM**

BALL GAMES, BOARD GAMES, VIDEO GAMES,  
CRAFTS, HOMEWORK SUPPORT, TUCK SHOP,  
REFRESHMENTS AND PHONE CHARGING

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## Youth Events

All Youth events are published on a notice board at the front of church. Messages go out on the weekly Newsletter and are also sent via the Youth WhatsApp Broadcast group and SPONDApp (code CDUYF).

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## All Saints Songbook 2024-2025

Play lists are now available to help our congregation find and familiarise themselves with the songs we sing during our services, which we hope will prove to be a blessing.



[Click Here](#)



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## The World Church

All Saints supports a number of individuals and groups around the world. Please visit our mission page for information on our mission partners.

## West Cheshire Foodbank

Please put any donations in the collection crates in the church centre foyer. Thank you for your continued support. If you'd like to know more about the foodbank, please click [HERE](#).

## Greeting Cards

Cards for all occasions by Gill Holt. Please have a look after the Sunday services and support the work of Tearfund.

## Giving at All Saints

Our thanks to all who give. Your generosity is making a huge difference!

### WAYS TO GIVE:

- Standing Order - contact the Welcome Desk at a service
- Scan the QR code
- Donation Stations at the entrance
- Offering Boxes at the back of church
- Gift Aid forms are available from the Welcome Desk



## Food Allergies and Intolerances

Offering food and refreshments is an important part of our ministry here at All Saints. Due to the way our food is prepared, **it is not possible to guarantee the absence of allergens.**

If you have a known allergy, we ask that you take all necessary precautions.

## Promoting a Safer Church

If you ever have any safeguarding concerns relating to children and/or vulnerable adults, please pass these on to our Safeguarding Officer, Fiona Jones either in person or by emailing [safeguarding@allsaints.church](mailto:safeguarding@allsaints.church).

Further contact details can be found on the posters in church and the church centre or on the All Saints website: [allsaints.church/church-life/safeguarding](http://allsaints.church/church-life/safeguarding).

Church family are encouraged to undertake the Church of England Basic Awareness safeguarding training which can be found on their website: [safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org](http://safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org)

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