

All Saints Church Wickham Market

Report for Parish meeting

The last year has been a busy one at All Saints. We have been without a vicar for 9 months but are delighted to say that Rev Craig Shaw will be joining us in the near future. We look forward to his ministry here with us.

During the year, our activities have continued. We have a variety of service styles on a Sunday, which include formal communion, a morning service including an interview with a member of the congregation, another with a “testimony slot” where people can share how God is working in their life, an informal “café style” service, called Together@11, with toast and coffee, and craft activities included, as well as an evening informal Prayer and Praise meeting, and an informal afternoon service “Oasis” which includes hymns, a talk, and tea and cake. We had challenging and refreshing Easter services, on Good Friday and Easter Day, to celebrate Jesus’ death and resurrection.

The Christmas day lunch in church, provided for those who would be on their own, was a great success with about 30 people attending.

Home groups continue to meet, where congregation members get together to discuss the issues raised in the Sunday service, or other topics of relevance to the members.

Our other activities include; “Open Pantry” a food bank, where anyone in need can come and obtain some basic food supplies, and enjoy a chat over coffee and biscuits, and “Open Door”, a coffee morning for all on a Friday.

We are grateful for our team who keep the village clock running, as a service to everyone.