

PARISH PROFILE

SOUTH LANCING AND SOMPTING
LANCING WITH COOMBES



THE PARISH OF
SOUTH LANCING
AND SOMPTING



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LIVING THE MYSTERY OF FAITH



The anniversary of moving our mission centre from Selsey to Chichester in 1075 has been a catalyst for renewal, by *living the mystery of faith* that has been handed on to us.

This means being endlessly curious about how the Holy Scriptures and the sacraments of the New Covenant enable us to know, love and follow Jesus Christ in today's noisy and distracted world.

It also invites us to address how to be more fully what we say we are: the body of Christ, his radiant Bride, the flock for which he laid down his life.

We seek to understand the qualities of being the Church: one, holy, catholic, and apostolic, as challenging marks of mission shared by all Christians. We believe that this will bring us closer to Jesus Christ and present a more compelling account of his compassion and joy to the people of Sussex, young and old alike.

If God is calling you to join us in *living the mystery of faith* in some part of this diocese, we pray that the contribution of your gifts and experience will enrich our witness and deepen your own discipleship.

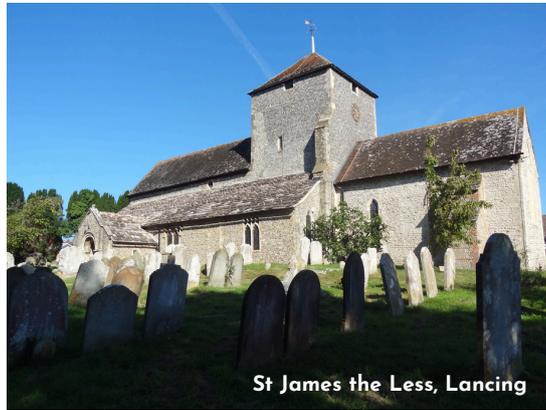
We take very seriously the call to diversity and radical inclusion as characteristic of the Church's mission. For this reason, we welcome applications from ordained women and Global Majority Heritage clergy, who are under-represented in those who serve this diocese.

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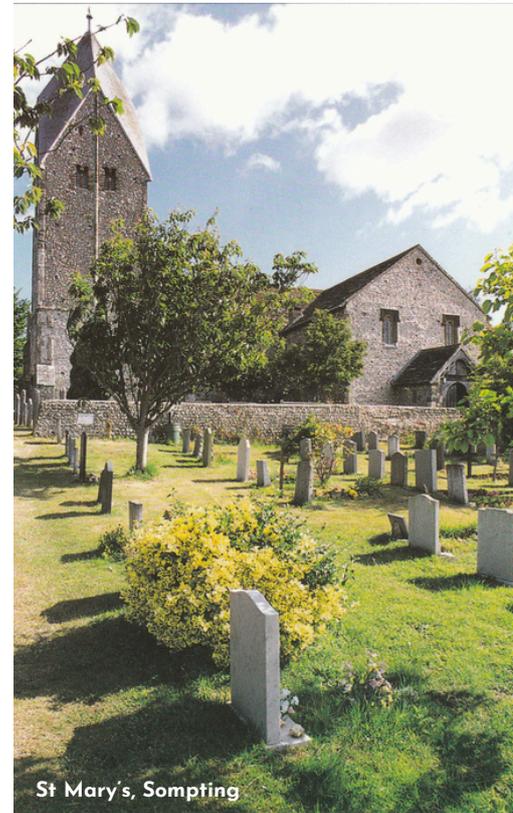
ABOUT US



Coombes Church



St James the Less, Lancing



St Mary's, Sompting



St Peter's, Sompting



St Michael and All Angels, Lancing

Thank you for your interest in this vacancy of these two wonderful parishes in the heart of beautiful West Sussex nestled between the South Downs and the sea, informally known as the Chalk Spring Churches. This provides a wonderful opportunity to be Incumbent of these two parishes with five church buildings and to be part of a large, varied, village community. Lancing and Sompting are both an attractive and practical place to live with a good range of shops, services, and facilities.

The Parish of Lancing with Coombes (St James the Less and Coombes) and Parish of South Lancing and Sompting

(St Michael and All Angels, St Mary's and St Peter's) have been working together since 2021, with four parishes joining together to form two which since the last incumbent have been held in Plurality, until December 2023 this included a full time associate vicar based in Lancing with Coombes. We are part of the Diocese of Chichester and the Deanery of Worthing. We stand within the Anglo-Catholic tradition of the Church of England, although each church within the parishes has its own distinct style. Our mission is to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ in word and deed, build up the Kingdom of God and make disciples of Jesus Christ.

WHO WE ARE



- We are a community of Christians seeking to be faithful disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, serving among those with whom we live and work.
- We are a friendly, welcoming, diverse, fun, and social community who rejoice in God's love for us. We rejoice in the beauty of holiness particularly in the celebration of the Mass but also in our joyous social events where we seek to draw others into the life of the Church.
- We come from diverse backgrounds and churchmanship's, but our common life together is centred around our encounter with Christ in the celebration of the Mass. All we seek to be and do flows from our encounter with Christ in the celebration of the Mass.
- We value good liturgy, excellent music (traditional and contemporary) and prayer. We appreciate the keeping of feast days and sermons based on the gospel.

TRADITION

Both parishes formerly had resolutions in place and have until this interregnum been served by male priests of the Society of St Wilfrid and Hilda whilst for some in the congregations this is important, we are open to male or female applicants for the post who are sympathetic to the traditions and needs of the parishes.

The clergy team and congregations have a variety of views on ethical, ecclesiastical and liturgical issues. This is a source of both great joy and challenge. These differences will need to be embraced with sensitivity and care.

WE BELIEVE THAT GOD IS CALLING US TO BE

- A people who are renewed in their own faith and making new Christians
- A place where all meet with Christ through being a loving and living community of faith.
- A people who values every person of every age and are engaged with the community in outreach and loving service.
- A people concerned with peace and justice, sharing our heritage and caring for our environment.
- A people who take the safeguarding of every person seriously.



WHO WE ARE

HOW WE CAN DO THIS

- By providing imaginative and vibrant welcome and hospitality to all.
- Building relationships within the parish and extending invitation to share the love of God
- Serving our community at crucial times in people's lives through the occasional offices and visiting.
- Fostering the talents of all.
- Using the church buildings for community use and activities to support the churches' mission and ministry
- Providing a space where all feel safe.

STRENGTHS

- Our church buildings are a great strength and provide flexible spaces to engage with the community in creative ways.
- Churches open to the community.
- Our halls are well equipped but currently underused.
- Enthusiastic and dedicated people with variety of gifts
- Lots of potential!

OPPORTUNITIES

- A growing population in Lancing and Sompting with new housing estates at various stages of completion, where we can reach out.
- Lots of opportunity for engagement with local children through educational providers in the villages.
- Decline in other places where people can connect and form community (pubs, youth and social clubs etc) adds to opportunity (and need) for churches.
- Greater working together between the two parishes.



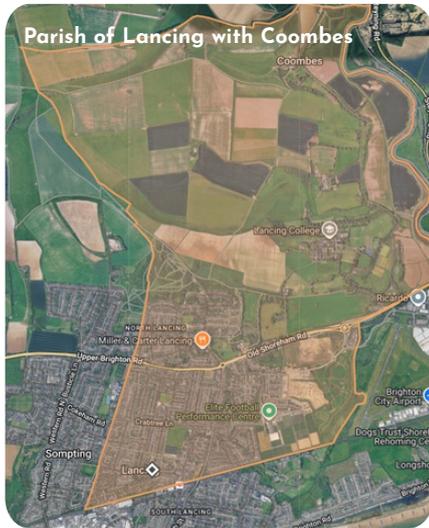
CHALLENGES

- Currently very little working together between the two parishes.
- Ageing congregations in most of our churches
- The workload for a new incumbent particularly since both parishes have been held in plurality.
- Finances are a significant challenge due to the makeup of the congregation.

WHO WE ARE



ABOUT OUR AREA



Lancing and Sompting lie between the sea and the South Downs, with Shoreham by Sea to the east, Worthing to the west, and the downs to the north. Worthing is a 10-minute drive away, Brighton is within easy reach (25 minutes by car and 20-30 minutes by train), and the cathedral city of Chichester is just a 30-mile drive. There is also easy access to London by train.

The major A27 east/west trunk road splits the parishes in half. St Mary's and Coombes churches are in more rural situations, in the South Downs National Park, north of the A27. St James', St Peter's and St Michael and All Angels are in more built-up situations. The population of both parishes combined is 29,000. Lancing and Sompting are both civil parishes, with Parish Councils, in Adur District; parts of the ecclesiastical parish of Sompting are in the Borough of Worthing.

LANCING

Lancing is a large village with a population of around 19,000.

Geography and development

Lancing has both coastal urban dwelling and rural chalk downland landscape and is partly within the South Downs National Park. A former seaside resort and market gardening area, its 3km shingle shoreline includes sandy beaches at low tide, and the Widewater, a rare brackish lagoon. Prominent landmarks include Lancing College with its magnificent neo-gothic chapel, and the recently refurbished Shoreham Toll Bridge. Close by is Brighton City Airport. A large railway carriage works, in the early C20th, brought in more workers, leading to a massive house-building programme, with a further surge of housebuilding in the 1960s, so that most of Lancing is now residential. Recently, 600 new homes have been built in the east of the village. The carriage works became Lancing Business Park, now the second largest business area in West Sussex, with over 250 industrial and office-based businesses and 3000 employees based on the park.



ABOUT OUR AREA

Facilities and leisure life

Lancing has a variety of local independent and high street shops, supermarkets, takeaways, public houses, doctor's surgeries, dentists and care homes, a post office and a library. The fully equipped Leisure Centre has floodlit 3G football pitches and personal fitness training. The beaches offer swimming, sailing, windsurfing, kitesurfing and stand-up paddle-boarding. The Manor grounds are used for dog-walking, cricket matches and relaxation in the popular children's play park. North of the village and popular with walkers is Lancing Ring Nature Reserve. The many Lancing leisure groups include scouting and guiding, art, history, singing, dance, orchestral playing and University of the Third Age (U3A). Lancing Manor Cricket Club play at the cricket ground. There are several adult and junior football teams in the village. Lancing F.C. is based at the Culver Road ground which is also home of the Sussex County Football Association and Brighton and Hove Albion's prestigious Academy and Training Complex is based to the east of the village.



Blessing of the Boats on Lancing Seafront



Brighton & Hove Albion training ground

COOMBES



Coombes is a small village parish northeast of Lancing, with a population of about 40.

Geography farming and leisure

Coombes is within the South Downs National Park and about three miles from North Lancing and St James the Less Church. The land is mostly in two farms: Church Farm, around the church, and Applesham Farm to the south.

Coombes is well known to walkers and the medieval wall paintings inside the tiny church, which sits within the farmland, are famous. The two farms are much visited: there is a scout hut and camp site at Applesham Farm, and Church Farm opens for Spring lambing and other events; Passies Pond and the River Adur are popular for fishing. A bridleway runs past the church, and the South Downs Way passes nearby.

ABOUT OUR AREA

SOMPTING

Sompting is a large parish with a population of around 9,000, comprising Sompting and Cokeham villages. The ecclesiastical parish includes North Broadwater (Worthing), so is larger.

Geography and development

Sompting has both coastal urban dwelling and rural chalk downland landscape and is partly within the South Downs National Park. North of the A27, around St Mary's is much beautiful, farmed downland in the National Park. This part of the parish is connected with Cissbury and Chanctonbury Rings by many public footpaths. On the west side of this farmland is the Lyons Farm Retail Park and Cissbury golf course; on the east side is residential North Sompting, known locally as Mickey Mouse Town. South of the A27 is mostly housing or farmland; 500 new homes are currently being built in the village. On the southwest side are industrial estates and the GSK pharmaceutical factory. Most of the rural land in the parish belongs to the 250-year-old Sompting Estate, comprising Titch Hill and Lychpole farms.

Facilities and leisure life

Sompting doesn't have a single village centre but scattered about the parish are shops and convenience stores, schools and doctors' surgery, sports and recreation ground and play areas. The old village retains much original character alongside the newer developments. The Sompting Estate, of which the Director is Deputy Churchwarden for St Mary's, has recently added vineyard and winery production, and a community farm, to traditional mixed and regenerative farming. A country walk with sculpture trail alongside a newly created stream was recently opened by the Estate to the village. The Parish Council's Harriet Johnson Centre lets some rooms to local group activities, as does the Village Hall. St Mary's Saxon church attracts visitors from around the world, and Sompting Village Morris Dancers perform annually at St Mary's Patronal Festival celebration. St Peter's was built as a daughter church in the south, after the A27 Sompting Bypass separated St Mary's from the village.

Demographics - Church Urban Fund data

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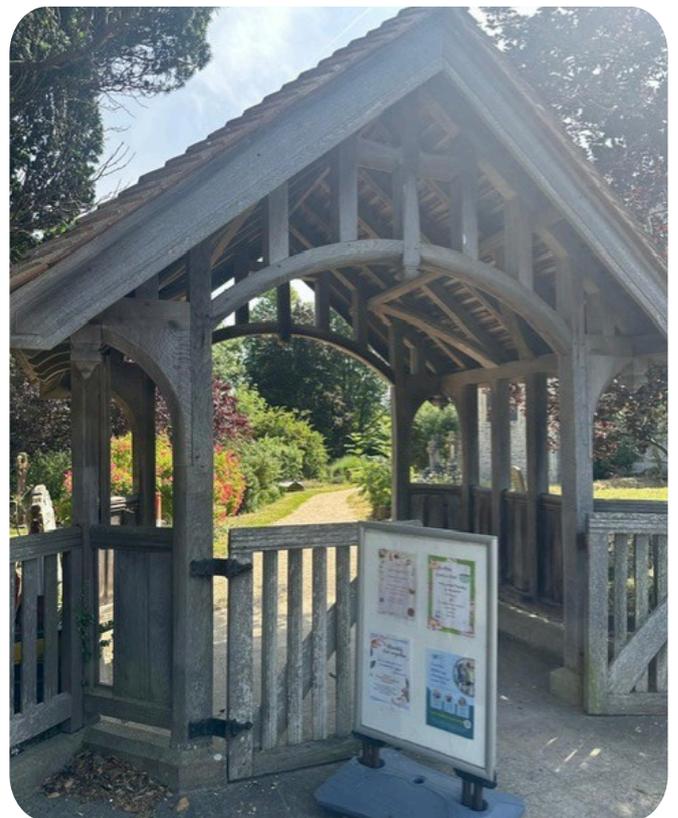
BUILDINGS

PARISH OF LANCING WITH COOMBES



ST JAMES THE LESS, LANCING

Grade 1 listed building dating in parts to 1300AD or earlier. The building is in good order. It's made of flint and stone; roofs are part Horsham stone, part clay tiles. The choir vestry has an office for clergy and administrative use. A community space was made in the west end of the church in 2024, by removing pews and relocating the font, adding an extra toilet and creating a new kitchen area, and a new HALO heating system; it's available for hire by community groups and parties and used by the parish for fundraising events, refreshments and study groups. Access at the west entrance has been improved for wheelchair users with automatic glass doors and a patio area. St James has a large churchyard surrounding the Church with an extension in West Lane, both were closed in 2016 and are maintained by Adur District Council. As part of the current MAP the PCC are exploring a rewilding project.



BUILDINGS

ST JAMES THE LESS



BUILDINGS

PARISH OF LANCING WITH COOMBES

COOMBES CHURCH

Grade 1 listed building with well-preserved wall paintings from the early 12th century, in the beautiful rural setting of Coombes Farm, on a steep slope west of the River Adur. Coombes Church is open daily and visitor income makes a vital contribution to the upkeep. The church is in a good state of repair, thanks to the efforts of the local community who identify strongly with their heritage here. The church entrance is being refurbished. There is no electricity, heating or toilets - but the farm allows the use of its facilities. Coombes has an open churchyard with lovely views.



BUILDINGS

PARISH OF SOUTH LANCING AND SOMPTING

ST MARY THE BLESSED VIRGIN, SOMPTING

Grade 1 listed early medieval building, dating in parts to the Croth, with 'rhenish helm' spire. The building is in a good state of repair, with stonework restoration planned for spring 2026. It is a landmark building with views out to sea, widely visible from across the urban coastal plain, and easily accessible from the A27 Sompting Bypass. There are plans to enlarge and improve the carpark for better visitor access and for larger concerts and events in the church.

Set amid fields, footpaths and farms of the South Downs National Park, the building offers an inspiring place for worship, pilgrimage, and mission, and its iconic Saxon tower design is a focus for local identity. Pope Clement V passed ownership from the Knights Templar to the Knights Hospitaller in the C14th, and the patronage is now again shared with the Order of St John (Bishop of Chichester as co-Patron). Saxon stone carvings include Christ in Majesty and St Wilfrid. Ornate Saxon pillar capitals feature wheat, grapes and sheep's horns. The formerly ruined Templars chapel in the northwest corner has been converted into a small hall, plus kitchen/ washroom/ toilet; this is used for clergy robing, storage and for drinks and refreshments after services.

The church has a beautiful Forster and Andrews organ which we are currently fundraising to restore, for future use in worship, concerts and musical education. There is an extensive churchyard currently maintained by the Community Payback Scheme; the lychgate coffin-rest is a war memorial. The PCC have applied for burials closure with maintenance responsibility transfer to Adur District Council. The churchyard has a conservation management plan to care for its trees and wildflowers. The heritage value and character of the building serve to bring in the wider community through heritage tours, walks and talks, school and adult group visits.



BUILDINGS

PARISH OF SOUTH LANCING AND SOMPTING

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS LANCING CHURCH AND HALL

This well-loved church built in an English Gothic style with Sussex flint-clad walls has a capacity of around 250 people. The building is well maintained; a team of volunteers look after the church and hall on a weekly basis. It was first opened just over 100 years ago as a daughter church of St James the Less, Lancing. In 1999, work was undertaken to create a much more flexible and open space in the east end, for musical and dramatic productions to bring in the local community as well as for worship. The choir stalls and high altar step were removed, the renovated high altar was repositioned in the centre of the chancel with a large cross suspended above, screens were erected on either side, removable communion rails added at the chancel step, and a moveable ambo introduced; the choir moved to pews in the north aisle. The west end is built in brick with a combined belfry and double porch and has arts and craft style wooden carvings in the baptistery. Two angels with outspread wings take the place of a chancel arch. The south Lady Chapel has two Pre-Raphaelite-stained glass windows, and icons commissioned from Paul Hobbs in 2021. St Michael's pipe organ, built for the church by Peter Collins, was installed in 1985, and continues to enrich the well-led music at St Michael's.



BUILDINGS

PARISH OF SOUTH LANCING AND SOMPTING



Situated a short walk from the sea and within sight of the Downs, St Michael's has tranquil gardens surrounding the church, which are widely used and appreciated by the community; and they include a Garden of Remembrance for the interment of cremated remains. Neighbours include a coffee shop, a winebar, and the Parish Council offices and hall. St Michael's Church Hall is in the grounds of the church and is used by both church and community organisations for meetings and functions. Built in the late 1960s, it has capacity for 100 people seated. It is well equipped and was redecorated in 2018. There is an office at the Church Hall, with risograph for printing the Sunday Bulletin and other material. The Parish Administrator manages hall lettings; there is an opportunity to increase bookings revenue.



BUILDINGS

PARISH OF SOUTH LANCING AND SOMPTING



ST PETER'S SOMPTING

This is a hall-style building which serves both as a church and as a hall for the surrounding community. It's located in the modern residential area of Sompting which was developed in the 1960s, where it was built in 1965 as part of a Sussex-wide campaign to build or extend churches where the population had increased. It is built of brick with an entrance area leading to the main hall / worship space, which has a ceiling projector and screen. Ancillary rooms include toilets, storage, kitchen and vestry, and the parish administrator's office. The entrance area and hall are wheelchair accessible, and there is an accessible toilet. There is also a stage which is currently used for storage, with potential for other uses. The porch was enclosed with new doors in 2023 and the path re-laid to make access to the building more accessible; insulation was improved in 2025. St Peter's is a flexible space that can be configured as needed both for worship and community use. The grounds are mainly lawn with a small, enclosed garden and small carpark.

The Parish Office is based at St Peter's and is open Tuesday - Thursday 9-1.15 and Friday 9-12.15



BUILDINGS

PARISH OF SOUTH LANCING AND SOMPTING



VICARAGE (for Parish Priest)

The Priest will live in the St Michael's Vicarage, Penhill Road, about 0.3 miles from St Michael's Church. It's an impressive 1930's built double-fronted house with attractive period features, standing in large grounds just a stone's throw from the beach. The front door leads into a spacious reception hall; there is a lounge with doors opening onto the rear garden. The ground floor also has dining room, 2017 refitted kitchen, utility area, cloakroom and study. On the first floor are a bright airy landing, master bedroom with en-suite dressing room/nursery, 3 further bedrooms, bathroom and a shower room. Outside there is an in-out driveway and a garage. The large rear garden is mainly lawn with surrounding shrubs and trees and has been used for parish social and fundraising events. Redecoration will be done as required.



Main living room



Kitchen



Study



Dining Room

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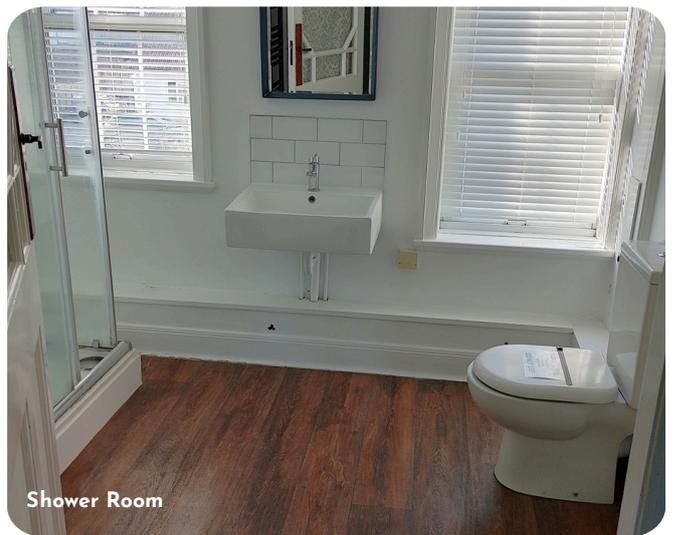
PARISH OF SOUTH LANCING AND SOMPTING



Back Garden



Main Bedroom



Shower Room



Second Bedroom



Bathroom

WORSHIP

IN ALL THE CHURCHES - STYLE OF WORSHIP

Both parishes are deeply eucharistic and sacramental in their spirituality. Sunday Mass is celebrated with modern Anglo-Catholic ceremonial of a sincere, simple and relaxed nature. Our worship is well presented but not rigid, formal without being stilted, lively but also very prayerful. Singing and music is a very important element in all our worship. The Electoral Roll of Lancing with Coombes is currently 85 and of South Lancing and Sompting is 147.

Sunday Mass follows the Common Worship Lectionary, whilst midweek Mass follows the Roman Lectionary. Mass is uniform across all the churches and is a hybrid of Common Worship with Roman additions; Roman Prayer 2 is used on Sundays at St Peter's and St Mary's and at Weekday Masses, and Prayer 3 is used at St James and St Michael's for Sunday Mass with the Roman Preface. Alb, stole and chasuble are worn for Eucharistic Services in all churches; cassock, cotta and stole for non-eucharistic services. Masses are concelebrated by other clergy on the team or visiting.

Laitly are encouraged to share in the ministry of welcome, sidespeople, reading, leading intercessions, serving, sacristans, administration of Holy Communion, cantor, cleaning and flower arranging.

The Blessed Sacrament is reserved in all churches apart from Coombes. Quiet days and Holy Hours of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament are held at St Michael's and St James.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation and Spiritual Counsel is available by appointment with a Priest.

The entire liturgical year is celebrated with full ceremonial, special services include Ash Wednesday, weekly Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament during Lent, Holy Week and Easter, Corpus Christi Procession and Benediction, Remembrance Sunday Act of Remembrance, All Saints and All Souls Requiem Mass, Christmas Christingle and Crib Services (ASA 300) as well as Saints Days.

Other commemorations include the week of prayer for Christian Unity, the annual Blessing of the Boats held on Beach Green (ASA 150-200), Time to Remember event for the bereaved.



Sunday Service Overview	St Peters	St Marys	St Michaels	St James	Coombes
9am	1st,2nd, 4th Sundays Said Mass with Hymns	3 rd Sunday Said Mass with Hymns			
10.30am			Parish Mass Every Week	Parish Mass Every Week	
Other	5 th Sunday 9am Morning Worship led by ALM	5 th Sunday 5pm Choral Evensong			3pm Said Mass 5 times a year + Evensong for Rogation and Harvest

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
St Michaels	8.45am Morning Prayer and Rosary	8.45am Morning Prayer	8.45am Morning Prayer and Rosary	8.45am Morning Prayer 11am Said Mass (Last Thursday with Healing Ministries)	8.45am Morning Prayer	8.45am Morning Prayer 9.30am Said Mass of our Lady (Last Saturday Walsingham Cell)
St James			11am Said Mass			

WORSHIP

IN EACH CHURCH



ST MICHAEL'S

Morning Prayer is said every day at 8.45am followed by the Rosary on Mondays and Wednesdays. Sunday Mass is celebrated each Sunday at 10.30am (ASA 70-80) with full ceremonial (incense each week) and serving team. St Michael's is a "singing church" where everyone enjoys participating, led by the unrobed choir of some 14 singers whose position in the north aisle encourages confidence. We have a highly regarded musical tradition, led by our inspirational director of music Aedan Kerney MBE, where singers always give their best. We use the New English Hymnal and BBC Songs of Praise, but a wide variety of other hymns and songs are also used. A cantor leads the Responsorial Psalm; we use a variety of Congregational Mass Settings including a specially composed "St Michael's Setting". Low Mass is celebrated on Thursdays at 11am (ASA 12) (once a month with prayer for healing and anointing) and Saturdays at 9.30am (ASA 6) with memoria of Our Lady on Saturdays, we sing the Angelus and once a month have the Walsingham Cell Mass (ASA 20). We also have outdoor processions on Palm Sunday and Corpus Christi. A Pet service was revived in 2023 around the feast of St Francis and drew many who do not usually come to church.

ST JAMES

Morning Prayer is said every day by a lay person at 8am and until the vacancy Evening Prayer was said at 6pm preceded by the Angelus.

Sunday Mass is celebrated each Sunday at 10.30am (ASA 40) with a Congregational Mass Setting, robed choir, servers and organist, with incense used about once a month; lay people may offer prayer ministry afterwards. Low Mass is celebrated on Wednesday at 11am, eastward facing, with the aim of a monthly requiem. Until the associate vicar left there were other weekday celebrations of the Mass including a Walsingham Mass. This year's Patronal Festival included a "Come and Sing Evensong" with guest musical director and organist: a choir of fifty singers, including many from the other Chalk Spring Churches, leading the singing from the centre of the church.

ST PETER'S

A said Mass with hymns is celebrated each Sunday (apart from 3rd) at 9 am (ASA 25-30). Whilst a traditional service, an electric drop-down screen is utilised to display the words of the service, and a range of contemporary songs and hymns are sung in this most relaxed setting of all the churches. There are a few choir members, organist and one server. Occasionally on a third Sunday evening there is lay-led non-eucharistic evening worship which embraces a range of styles and themes including a very popular Taize service. On the morning of a fifth Sunday (when there isn't a morning mass at St Peter's) an Authorised Lay Minister leads a service of the word.

ST MARY'S

On the 3rd Sunday of the month a said Mass with hymns is celebrated at 9 am with organist, 3 or 4 choir members and a server (ASA 20). About 4 times a year, usually a fifth Sunday, we have choral evensong with a guest preacher; this has proved hugely popular (ASA 80). Since reopening three and a half years ago the resident evensong choir - the St Mary's Singers - has been established and grown from strength to strength. The thirty singers are part of a vibrant church outreach, drawn from both parishes and from many of the local schools, amateur choirs, orchestras and jazz bands. At the recent August patronal festival, preacher Bishop Nicholas Reade said that it was the finest parish church choral evensong he had ever heard.

COOMBES

Until the vacancy Mass was said each month at Coombes on the 2nd Sunday at 9 am, this has now been changed to approx. 6 Sundays a year when a said Mass is celebrated (eastward facing) at 3pm on a Sunday afternoon (ASA 8 with children). In this farm-based setting we reflect the agricultural year by celebrating festivals such as Harvest and Rogationtide with Evensong (ASA 40) and the annual blessing of the lambs.



WORSHIP

OTHER SERVICES

OCCASIONAL OFFICES

The parishes place a huge importance on the clergy being there for people in their time of need and helping the families prepare a suitable service. There has been no requirement that families must already be churchgoers to use the churches because it is felt that receiving them gladly is in accordance with Christ's own approach to ministry and provides opportunities for outreach. However, families who have requested baptism or marriage are invited to attend some church services by way of preparation, such as to hear their banns read.

- Baptisms currently happen at 12.15 following the Parish Mass or on a Saturday at St Mary's. In 2024 we held 27 in South Lancing and Sompting and 10 in Lancing with Coombes.
- Many funerals are taken across the churches and at the local Crematorium (Worthing) we also do many burials of ashes particularly at St Mary's. Lancing and Sompting Cemetery is just along the road from St James the Less, which is often used for burials, as well as for Traveller funerals.
- 9 Weddings were celebrated across both parishes in 2025.
- Most years we prepare candidates for confirmation and usually host the Bishop to do these at St Michael's as well as joining the deanery confirmation.



PASTORAL CARE

Pastoral care is very important to our parishes visiting the housebound, those in nursing homes and hospital (Worthing Hospital is close by). St Michael's has a team of pastoral visitors who assist in this ministry and at St James it is the Churchwarden. Lay ministers share with the Priest in ensuring everyone continues to receive the sacrament. A Lay Minister takes a fortnightly service at Drumconner Nursing Home and distributes Holy Communion. Priests are called upon for the ministry of the Last Rites. There is opportunity to expand this ministry as there are other nursing homes which we currently are not engaged with and a new one being built on the seafront close to St Michael's.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Study courses have traditionally been offered in Advent and Lent and sometimes at other times of the year to help increase knowledge as well as love of God, there is certainly an appetite for this, before the interregnum it was planned that the curate would offer regular bible study following the Thursday Mass. Recently we have run two seasons of the Alpha Course in different contexts, but both unfortunately failed to attract new disciples. This had been previously successful in gaining new disciples. We run confirmation classes for those seeking the Sacrament and a monthly home group (detailed under church groups).



SCHOOLS

We are very fortunate to have many education providers within the parishes. Whilst not having a Church school we do have healthy relationships with nearly all schools in the parishes, given increased capacity there is potential here to foster new and deepen existing relationships.

EARLY YEARS

- Boundstone Nursery School (Local Authority) – A member of our congregation is a governor.
- The Nursery Family (Private)
- Beachside Montessori (Private)
- Little Lancing (Private)
- Penhill Playgroup (Charity), very near St Michael's and run by a member of the congregation.
- Little Acorns Pre-School (Private)
- There is also a council-run Family Hub in the centre of Lancing.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

- The Globe (REAch2 Academy): St James's hosts school visits and their annual Carol Services, they decorated a tree in the Christmas Tree Festival, the clergy are invited in to take lessons and assemblies, and the Curate is currently the Chair of Governors.
- North Lancing (Local Authority): whilst engagement has been difficult, they have visited St James and recently the Curate taught an RE Lesson.
- Seaside (New Horizons Academy): St Michael's hosts school visits and their annual Carol Service and they decorated a tree in the Christmas Tree Festival. Until the interregnum the incumbent and curate ran a weekly lunchtime club, a member of the congregation is the Chair of Governors, and the previous incumbent remains a community governor.
- Sompting Village (Local Authority): St Mary's hosts school visits, their choir have performed in St Michael's as guests of The Boundstone Chorus and they decorated a tree in the Christmas Tree Festival. They welcome clergy to take assemblies at key points in the year. A member of the congregation is a Governor.
- Bramber (Local Authority): St Mary's hosts school visits. They decorated a tree in the Christmas Tree Festival.
- Sompting Abbots (Independent): visit St Mary's for class visits, welcome clergy for assemblies, hold annual pre prep and main school carols and pre prep harvest festival.



SECONDARY SCHOOLS

- The Sir Robert Woodard Academy and Sixth Form: Part of the Woodard Academies Trust and has a lay chaplain Paul Sanderson.
- Lancing College is a Day and Boarding School, in the Woodard Corporation of Schools, has its own Chaplain Revd Justin Pottinger.
- Outside the parish: Davison CofE High School for Girls, St Andrew's CofE High School

SPECIALIST PROVISION

- Springboard Education
- Alternative Provision Centre.

UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS

There is a Sea Scout unit just along the road from St James, as well as Brownie and Guide units which meet at St Michael's and St Peter's. Other Scout groups also meet in Lancing and Sompting. Aside from the annual remembrance service we have little engagement with these groups, this could be an opportunity for development.

CHURCH GROUPS

PARISH OF SOUTH LANCING AND SOMPTING

Our parish is a vibrant and welcoming community with social groups for all ages and interests.

We begin with our youngest members at:

ALIVE

A children's group that meets monthly on Sunday mornings at St Michael's during the service. Parents can leave their young children in the church hall, where they enjoy games, crafts, Bible stories, and prayers led by our great team.

RISE (Currently in abeyance)

For children in school Years 5–11, we have our youth group, Rise meets around five times a year for fun outings such as ice skating, crazy golf, and more. Young people are always encouraged to bring along friends, the more the merrier!

ROOTED

A new group for families meeting three times a year with fun for all ages.

For all adults, we have:

XYZ

For those aged 20 to 60. This group meets around every six weeks in the evening for drinks and a fun activity such as pub skittles, bowling, pub quizzes, or meals out. There's always a drink and lots of fun involved!

ST PETER'S SOCIAL AFTERNOON

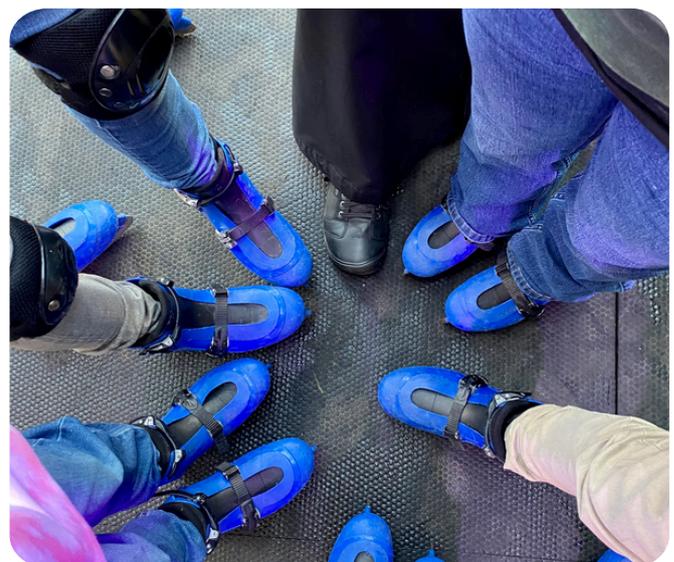
This is held monthly where people are welcome to have tea, biscuits and a good chat occasionally with table games.

IGNITE HOME GROUP (currently in church)

For anyone interested in exploring their faith more deeply, our Home Group meets monthly at St Michael's during the evening. Currently we use material produced by 'Word on Fire', presented by Bishop Robert Barron. We watch a video together, which is followed by a discussion session that's always thought-provoking. And yes—drinks are also offered which helps the conversation flow!

MEMORY LANE CAFÉ

Our exciting new pastoral initiative to address the needs of those with dementia and their carers and meets once a month at St Michael's Hall.



CHURCH GROUPS

PARISH OF SOUTH LANCING AND SOMPTING

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CRAFT CLUB

Meets twice a month in the church hall, and 'A Stitch in Time', a stitching group that meets weekly in the evening.

GUILD OF SERVANTS OF THE SANCTUARY

Most of the Servers at St Michael's belong to the GSS, our Head Server is the Chairperson of the local Chapter and the incumbent has recently been the chaplain (currently it is the Curate) they meet once a month, until recently rotating around the deanery for the celebration of Mass or Guild Office and Benediction followed by drinks in a local pub. There are also Christmas and summer socials.

We also offer two social groups specifically for those in their senior years:

EVERGREEN

Meets once a month during the day at St Michael's hall, often featuring guest speakers, board games and a cup of tea.

BABY BOOMERS

This is for the more active and adventurous. They enjoy regular day trips, evening socials, and are known for their high energy—they sometimes put the younger ones to shame!

MOTHERS' UNION BRANCH

Promotes "Christian care for families" in the parish in a range of ways. They give a card to all couples married in the church and Bibles for newly baptized children. Marriage Week (8-14 February) has been celebrated on several occasions with the church hosting displays of wedding dresses through the ages. These have also included opportunities for couples to renew their marriage vows. Members provide cream teas following Blessing the Boats and take the lead on providing Lent lunches with donations for the parish's annual charity. Members take part in the annual Wave of Prayer praying for the organisation around the world and particularly for the members in Chichester linked dioceses and are also active at District and Diocesan level.



MESSY CHURCH (All Age)

Our Messy Church congregation meets bi-monthly on a Friday (babies to 11yrs and adults). A team of up to 20 volunteers from our congregation provide support. The children begin in the hall for their craft activities where the atmosphere is lively and great fun, these centre on a particular bible story or theme. Then we proceed into church for the celebration service which informally explores the themes and craft activities through bible stories, a power point and appropriate action songs. Always including the Lord's Prayer and other suitable prayers. Then, importantly at this time, returning to the hall to share in a free cooked meal, cooked by our team.

THE FRIENDS OF SOMPTING CHURCH

This is an independent charity which encourages support from the wider community for this building and works to support the PCC in maintenance, mission and ministry of this historic building. Highlights include the Friends weekend in the spring and the heritage open days in September as well as the church's Patronal Festival celebrations in August.

SOCIAL EVENTS

St Michael's have a very active social committee who organise near monthly events consisting of Race Nights, Giant Trivial Pursuit, Games, Quiz Shows, Cocktail Nights. The previous incumbent hosted an annual summer croquet competition and Christmas gatherings at the Vicarage. The Angelic Players (a group of keen amateur drama enthusiasts) host an annual play.

So, for those in our parish looking for fellowship, fun, or to learn more about the faith, there's something for everyone. We have a truly busy parish with opportunities for all to connect far beyond Sunday Mass if they wish to.



CHURCH GROUPS

PARISH OF LANCING WITH COOMBES

CRAFT GET TOGETHER

Meet once a month to engage in craft activities and chat, often making items for sale to raise money for the church.

COFFEE, CAKE AND CHAT

A long established and popular community coffee morning once a month which attracts many from the North Lancing community.

CHAT AND CHILL

Part of the Mission Action Plan, a new group seeking to draw in those from outside the worshipping congregation.

LUNCH CLUB

Meet once a month for lunch at a local garden centre, pub or café.

JULIAN GROUP

Used to meet for 30mins of silent prayer after the Wednesday Mass, members taking it in turn to open and close the session with reading, music and Prayer - Currently in abeyance.

DAYS OF PRAYER

4 Saturdays a year starting with Morning Prayer, ending with Evening Prayer with a Mass, organised by laity with a theme.

PRAYER TEAM

Meet for Study and Prayer - Offer Prayer Ministry when possible after the Sunday Mass, Look after the Prayer Chain and Prayer Tree.

CURSILLO

Several people who have attended Cursillo meet regularly to follow the method of prayer, study and action. Some members also serve as staff on the Cursillo weekends.

FRIENDS OF ST JAMES

A new initiative working under the auspices of the PCC to organise several events each year to raise money for the church. We currently have 40 members on monthly subscriptions.



CHURCH GROUPS

BOTH PARISHES

CHALK SPRING SUPPER CLUB

In an effort to start working more closely together we have just started a new Chalk Spring supper club where every other month we go out to a restaurant and share food together.

SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

Both parishes really value their connections to the Shrine at Walsingham; they both have a Walsingham Cell which the new Incumbent would be the superior of and therefore need to be a Priest Associate of the Shrine. The Cells organise annual Pilgrimages to Walsingham and pray for the work and witness of the Shrine. South Lancing Cell take about 40 pilgrims on a coach Tuesday-Friday, have a Cell Mass once a month and organise the annual Parish Barbecue at Corpus Christi each year. North Lancing take about 10 pilgrims by cars for a weekend pilgrimage. Both parishes maintain a lamp at the Holy House For many parishioners visiting Walsingham is a real “must” in their yearly plans, a time for spiritual recharging, reflection, healing and fellowship.



CHURCH GROUPS



SUPPORT FOR OUR NEW PRIEST

BOTH PARISHES CLERGY TEAM

Father Ben Scott SSC, CMP (Priest of the Society of St Wilfrid and Hilda)- Assistant Curate (priested 2024)

Canon Michael Hart SCP - Honorary Assistant Priest

Father Gerald Kirsch, (Priest of the Society of St Wilfrid and Hilda) - Honorary Assistant Priest.

SOUTH LANCING AND SOMPTING

Den Mackey, Authorised Lay Minister for Pastoral Care, and Worship and Liturgy

Gill Kerney, Authorised Lay Minister for Pastoral Care

Ian Tout, Authorised Lay Minister for Worship and Liturgy, and Preaching

PCC of 19 members, with a standing committee comprising 2 Churchwardens, 2 Deputy Churchwardens, Assistant warden, PCC Secretary, PCC Treasurer and Safeguarding Officer.

LANCING WITH COOMBES

Father David Pike, Honorary Assistant Priest (St James)

Jackie Harwood, Authorised Lay Minister for Pastoral Care

PCC of 12 members with a standing committee comprising 1 Churchwarden, 2 assistant wardens, PCC Secretary and Treasurer.

OTHER SUPPORT

Each PCC, Standing Committee and wardens meet regularly.

Each Parish has a committed and hardworking Safeguarding Officer

There is a Director of Music/Organist at all churches (apart from Coombes)

St James and St Michael's have dedicated Sacristans who make all the preparations necessary for Mass.

St Michael's, St Mary's and St James benefit from a Verger to assist at Funerals and Weddings

Heather Crookes is the paid Parish Administrator across both parishes.

SAFEGUARDING

Both PCCs are committed to the safeguarding of all people and take their oversight very seriously; they receive regular reports from the parish safeguarding officers, have adopted policies and procedures in line with current guidelines from the national Church as well as embarking upon training offered. Both parishes utilise the diocesan safeguarding compliance tool "Parish Dashboard".



Fr Ben Scott



Canon Michael Hart



Fr Gerald Kirsch

Communications form a very important part of our outreach, these include:

Website: www.chalkspringchurches.org

Social Media: www.facebook.com/stmichaelslancing

www.x.com/parishofsls

<https://www.facebook.com/stjamesthelesslancing>

<https://x.com/LancingWCoombes>

https://www.instagram.com/lancing_with_coombes_pa_rish

WEEKLY PEW SHEET

The Sunday Bulletin is planned to be a user-friendly service paper as it contains the words for the service each Sunday. On the outside there are details of services for the week ahead and general church notices, plus names of those for prayer (the sick and departed). On the first Sunday of each month in South Lancing and Sompting an insert “the colour supplement” is included which contains the parish programme for the coming months and articles of general interest.

CHURCH MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

We use iKnowChurch as our web-based church management system which covers database administration, finance, safeguarding, communication, occasional offices and pastoral care.

SOUTH LANCING AND SOMPTING THE NET

The St Michael’s community newsletter, *The Net*, is published quarterly and delivered by volunteers free of charge to around 2,400 homes in the parish. There are articles of general interest, an article of a spiritual nature, a competition and notices of some forthcoming events at St Michael’s. Adverts from local businesses defray some of the costs. It is also available on the parish website, and its publication is highlighted on the church Facebook page. It is hoped that with further volunteer deliverers we could extend *The Net* to be delivered in Sompting.



COMMUNITY USE OF THE BUILDINGS



Both parishes are keen to have their buildings open and accessible to the local community we serve. We know people appreciate this. St Michael's, St James and Coombes are open each day during daylight hours for private prayer and the lighting of candles. St Mary's is open on Tuesday mornings only, although we are working to increase this.

The flexibility of the sanctuary space in St Michael's allows large-scale performances to be catered for easily. Their annual Christmas Celebration is often remarked as being "the start of Christmas" for the capacity audience. St Michael's Church Hall is used as a rehearsal venue for The Boundstone Chorus led by Aedan Kerney MBE (St Michael's Director of Music) and Mattea Leow (Head of Music, St Andrew's School, Worthing).

In 2024/25 performances included *Centenary Praise* with guest compere BBC Songs of Praise presenter Pam Rhodes; Joanna Forbes L'Estrange's *A Season to Sing*, a choral re-imagining of Vivaldi's *The Four Seasons*; Alexander L'Estrange's *Wassail* with the Call Me Al jazz quintet and choirs from Sompting Village Primary School and St Andrew's CE High School Worthing. Previous performances include L'Estrange's *Zimbe! Come sing the songs of Africa*, Howard Goodall's *Eternal Light*, Karl Jenkins' *the Peacemakers* along with other favourites of the classical choral repertoire. Other concerts have included visits from the Worthing Salvation Army Band, Lancing Brass, Lancing Chamber Orchestra, SRWA Junior Band, Boundstone Carol Singers and organ recitals by Benjamin Chewter and Alex Mason.

Concerts are also organised at St Mary's by the deputy churchwarden to bring a wider community into the church. In recent years these ranged from traditional Sussex folk music to plainsong and late medieval polyphony.

St Peter's is a rehearsal venue for Worthing Community Concert Band, and they have performed there and at St Michael's.



WORKING WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS

ECUMENISM

Holy Family RC Church, Lancing Tabernacle Evangelical Free Church, Lancing Methodist, Sompting URC, Sompting Community Church (meet at Sompting Village Primary) form the family of other Christian Churches in Lancing and Sompting. Clergy and Lay members from each church meet on the first Wednesday of each month for Ecumenical Morning Prayer and Breakfast with each church taking a turn as host. The churches meet in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity with prayer at 12 noon each day and a United Service on Sunday evening. There is a procession of witness and open-air service on Good Friday in which all the churches take part. On Easter Sunday a short sunrise service to celebrate the risen Lord Jesus is held on the Downs. The annual World Day of Prayer rotates around the churches. It is run by a small committee of women members representing most of the churches in Lancing and Sompting. Other ad hoc opportunities for working and worshipping together throughout the year are encouraged.

FOODBANK

All the churches contribute to the Foodbank which started in 2011. Volunteers make available food bags containing enough food to feed a family of four for three days. Bags are given to those referred by our partners in the community. All the churches can refer people to the Foodbank. There are drop-off points at each church and donations are encouraged at Harvest. The Curate and two members of the congregation are currently trustees.



SALVATION ARMY

The Worthing Corps has a large charity shop in South Street. Their band has performed in St Michael's on a couple of occasions, and they have also supported *Blessing the Boats*.

TURNING TIDES

A Worthing-based homelessness charity is supported by weekly collections at St James and annual Epiphany collections across both parishes.

ELECTRIC STORM YOUTH

A local charity which seeks to help and support young people, is supported in many ways. The founding trustees are members of St Peter's Church and one of our Deputy Churchwardens is a trustee and treasurer.

CHARITIES

Lancing Parochial Charities and Penfold Parochial Charities which provide small grants to those in need. The Incumbent would be ex officio chairman.

Both parishes are registered with the Charity Commission. Expenses are reimbursed in line with the Diocesan Clergy Manual. Financial information is available on [our Charity Commission webpages](#) for PCC of South Lancing & Sompting and for PCC of Lancing with Coombes. We struggle to encourage regular giving from the congregation. Our current financial position is stable, but we are aware that there is a significant need to increase income to sustain our life in years to come. We make use of the Parish Giving Scheme where possible, and all churches (apart from Coombes) have a card machine.

Lancing with Coombes currently pay £50,400 of its parish share. Our income from planned giving and cash collections has steadily decreased over recent years. This is due to the decline in size of the congregation. Several givers have recently died and due to the age profile of the congregation fundraising events take place less often. We aim to have an Advent and Autumn Fayre, and we engaged in a Stewardship campaign, but our income does not, yet keep up with our expenses. Rental income used to support a more or less break even position, but due to reduction in this income the average shortfall is now c.£2,000; however, St James are currently benefitting from the sale of the Church Hall and two large legacies from former members of the congregation which will be used to purchase an investment property to yield a rental income.

South Lancing and Sompting currently pays 82% of its parish share (2025). St Michael's have annual fundraising events in the form of a Summer Fete and Christmas Fair as well as monthly mini markets. St Peter's has an annual fundraising event in the spring, and St Mary's hosts fundraising concerts (together with the Friends charity which raises funds for its building costs, and some local winery sponsorship). The 2025 budget anticipated a deficit of £9000. In 2024 we engaged in a stewardship campaign which saw an increase of monthly giving by around £750, but the majority of this was from existing donors increasing their giving, rather than new donors. Recent reductions have also lessened the impact of this increase. We are seeking ways to increase use of our halls to increase income.

CHARITABLE GIVING

- Lancing with Coombes, in 2024, supported Children's Society (£246) raised through the Christingle service, Tearfund (£150) through a coffee morning, and Caring and Sharing (£55) through individual donors. Occasional collections are raised when major events happen in the world such as earthquakes.
- South Lancing and Sompting adopts one Christian charity per year and raises funds through Lent Lunches, Crib Service collection and other events organised by members of the congregation. In 2025 we're supporting The Children's Society (£787 raised so far), in 2024 it was the Foodbank (£579) and 2023 The Friends of St Nicholas Children's Centre, Kenya (£1312).



MISSION ACTION PLAN

The PCC have worked together in developing a Mission Action Plan (MAP), not just on paper but as a living document to focus and energise our forward thinking. Both parishes have Mission Action Plans which have been renewed recently. Each stream is taken by a sub-committee of the PCC to progress. Some of the priorities identified for the working groups include:

SOUTH LANCING AND SOMPTING

Children, young people and families

Signposting between groups, assisting with the curriculum, succession planning, seeking training from the diocese, and linking with other parishes.

Welcome and Social

Succession planning, exploring Anna Chaplaincy, expanding pastoral care.

Buildings

Seeking training from bid writers, support from the diocese or further afield, creating an online tracking document for projects, focusing on missional needs of buildings as well as maintenance.

Resourcing

Exploring a further stewardship campaign, training for grant applications, planning a skills audit, exploring and offering opportunities for training, spiritual growth and teaching.

Mission

Exploring Eco Church, Fairtrade, Links with the wider community e.g. GMH Background, South Street Collective, Ambassadors and developing a contact list.

Communications

Greater promotion of activities at each church, linking with community collective, improved signage, growth of existing publicity streams. Communication is also embedded across all groups and the wider church and community to ensure that we use communication tools well, combine resources and explore communication needs effectively.

LANCING WITH COOMBES

Chalk Springs

Looking to organise a joint prayer walk, outdoor service, joint social event, joint outreach.

Church Growth

Developing groups, baptism follow up, uniformed organisations/school, exploring Messy Vintage.

Reimagining Ministry

Developing use of Community Space, Implement Quinquennial recommendations, developing role descriptions, training requirement and courses, planning a further Stewardship campaign.

Contributing to the Common Good

Exploring link projects, ecology project, and implementing a communications review.



WHAT ARE THE PARISHES LOOKING FOR IN THEIR NEW PRIEST

Our new vicar cannot be good at everything, nor have the time to do everything. Both PCCs have reflected on what qualities we are hoping to see in a new Priest:

- An enthusiasm for ministry
- A good communicator of the Gospel
- An interest in rural ministry and mission
- Open to the prompting of the Holy Spirit
- Approachable by all
- Energetic
- A concern for the environment
- Focussed in the local community
- Pastoral
- Fun
- Cheerful
- Visible to Congregation and Community
- Team player
- Interest in developing Lay Ministries
- Prayerful
- Deeply involved in all aspects of church life
- Human, down to earth, personable
- Open to getting involved in social side and community.
- A sense of joy in what they do
- A sense of humour and joy
- Good leadership skills, charismatic
- Bringing parishes and churches together
- Good listener
- Kind, wise and broadminded
- Open-minded
- Enthusiastic and community-led
- Who will surprise us?
- Interested in church music
- Ability to hold services appealing to different customs.
- Knows what they're doing.
- Missional / outreach
- Bridge builder
- Experience of / enthusiasm for multi-church working



We hope for someone who will teach, nurture and create a fun community, a real people person at home both at the altar and in the pub. The ideal candidate will have a warm heart for the Mass and the Anglo-Catholic traditions whilst respecting other views and making parishioners of other Christian traditions feel included. We are strong believers in Christian hospitality and would seek a priest who encourages that. Social community life is one of our greatest qualities and it's important the new incumbent would be comfortable with this. There is much already happening so we hope for someone who isn't scared of hard work who will help us to grow in number and discipleship. Together we seek to draw more people into the life of the Church. We look to our new priest to lead us in deepening our ongoing formation as disciples of Jesus Christ. We are particularly open to growth in confidence in proclaiming the Good News to others. As we seek to be who Christ calls us to be, we pray for a priest who will work collaboratively across and within our parishes. We look for a priest who will lead us in strengthening bonds that already unite us, whilst also exploring new ways of fostering links across the parishes.

We pray for a new priest to lead us in our life of worship from which flows our work of mission and evangelism. We offer our determination to more fully know, love and follow Jesus Christ, to meet our challenges and to look to the future with confidence. We look to our new priest to be someone who shares this confidence in the work of God, and in the reverential celebration of the Sacraments and the Mass as the centre of our Christian life. In our new priest we look for someone who through their sacramental ministry, preaching, teaching and pastoral care of us will build us up to be more fully the Body of Christ in those places where we worship, live and work.

AND FROM US

- We will pray for our new priest
- Appreciate Sacramental Ministry knowing that through it we are built up as the body of Christ.
- Show love to those who are loved by our priest, knowing that to serve us, it is important they are cared for and supported.
- Work collaboratively with our priest.
- Encourage and support to play a full part in the life of the deanery and diocese.
- Recognising that ministering to 5 churches is stretching, we will bring gratitude for what can be done and understanding for what cannot.
- Work proactively to assist them in their ministry with our use of time and talents.
- Encourage the exercise of care of self, time for personal reflection and growth, study, retreat, rest days and holiday entitlement.
- A warm, friendly and welcoming community, who will offer fun and friendship while being mindful of the vicar's need for personal time and space.

We have a sense of excitement about where God is leading us on this next stage of our journey.

Might you travel there with us?

