



Chaplaincy of All Saints' Marseille with Aix-en-Provence and the Luberon Newsletter – June 2025

Roof works at All Saints'/Fundraising

We have recently had a significant amount of work done on the church roof at All Saints' Marseille. The structure is nearly 125 years old and is subjected to the extremes of temperature and weather that are all too familiar to us.

Over the winter of 2024-25 a series of leaks, gradually increasing in intensity, revealed that areas of the zinc flashing (metal joins between different areas of the roof and the church walls) had begun to perish with age and urgently needed replacing. Other areas of the roof that had been patched up over the years also needed recovering. While the work was in progress, we were advised that some roof timbers near the chimney from the old heating system had become rotten through invisible water penetration, so there was an additional invoice to pay on top of the one we were expecting!

As a result, we are launching a fundraising campaign to meet these costs and bolster our reserves for the future. If you have ideas for fundraising, please contact one of our churchwardens Jane Quarmby (janequarmby0430@gmail.com) or Peter Smith (psmith207@gmail.com) to discuss them. For example -

Could you organise or help with a cake or produce sale?

Could you organise or help with a book sale?

Do you own something that might be auctioned for the benefit of the chaplaincy?

- If you can draw or paint, could you offer to draw/paint a picture of someone's house in return for them making a donation to the chaplaincy?
- If you own a holiday home, could you offer some free accommodation if the person taking it up makes a donation to the chaplaincy?
- Could you walk/run/ride/swim a distance in return for sponsorship to raise funds for the chaplaincy?
- Could you hold a party in your garden and offer people a glass or two of rosé in return for a donation to the chaplaincy of (say) € 10?
Could you donate some or all of the rosé for the event? or the nibbles?

These are just some ideas for starters. While the weather is good, let's get creative!

The Revd Scott MacSween



Many of you will remember Scott MacSween, who did a placement with us in 2022 while he was training for ordination in the Church of Scotland. Scott has since completed his training and curacy, and was ordained earlier this year as a minister in the Church of Scotland.

Scott and his wife Sasha live in Aix-en-Provence, from where he works full time for an international relief agency. Scott has kindly offered to help us with church services, which will be particularly welcome during the forthcoming vacancy. Under the ecumenical provisions of the Church of England, Bishop Robert has agreed that he may have permission to officiate in the chaplaincy at the invitation of Roxana, our Assistant Chaplain. The detail of the arrangements will be worked out over the summer. Meanwhile we much look forward to welcoming Scott back to the chaplaincy.

Chaplaincy Council 2025

Our new Chaplaincy Council is preparing for a busy year ahead. The Council members are now –

The Revd Jamie Johnston (Chaplain)
The Reverend Roxana Teleman (Assistant Chaplain)
Jane Quarmby (Lay Vice-Chair, churchwarden and Archdeacons Synod representative)
Peter Smith (Churchwarden)
Gray Walker (Treasurer)
Linda Pillière (Secretary)
Christine Portman (Safeguarding Officer and Archdeacons Synod representative)
Anne Roumieu (Electoral Roll Officer)
Gaston Roumieu (Liaison with AMAM, the Seamen's Club)
Aidan Hamilton
Emily Roberts

We welcome in particular Linda and Emily as new members of the Council. Linda lives in Aix and recently retired from teaching at the University of Aix-Marseille. Emily lives near Manosque and teaches at the International School in Manosque.

Please do support our Council members, sharing your views with them on any aspect of our ministry and mission so that they can feed in the views of those they represent. And please consider joining the Council yourself in the future when places become available!

AMAM – Seamen’s club

Thanks to Gaston Roumieu, who writes:

The month of June is progressing peacefully, with attendance slowing but still higher than in 2024.

At the recent AGM, we considered organizing a musical evening at the Foyer, taking advantage of the talent and experience of many musical volunteers.

Our friend Aidan, a music teacher, came on Friday evening, June 27th, to perform blues pieces and songs by Bob Dylan, among others. He was accompanied by his brother Nick, also a musician.

The evening was open to all volunteers and Sailors.

Summer Services

By way of reminder, as in previous summers when we reduce some activity while people are away, we will **not** be holding a service in Aix in August, or services in Manosque in July and August. There will be informal events in Manosque over the summer to bring the congregation together – Jane Quarmby will be in touch with members about this.

There will also not be any Sunday Zoom services between 27th July and 31st August.

Dates for diary – July Services

Wednesday 2 nd July	Compline at 9.30 pm via zoom
Friday 4 th July	Evening Service with prayers for healing at 6 pm via zoom
Sunday 6 th July	Holy Communion at 10 am at All Saints’ Marseille (shared via zoom)
Wednesday 9 th July	Compline at 9.30 pm via zoom
Sunday 13 th July	Holy Communion at 10 am at All Saints’ Marseille (shared via Zoom) Holy Communion at 10.30 am at the Eglise du Sacré-Coeur, Oppède
Wednesday 16 th July	Compline at 9.30 pm via zoom
Sunday 20 th July	Holy Communion at 10 am at All Saints’ Marseille (shared via Zoom)
Wednesday 23 rd July	Compline at 9.30 pm via zoom

Sunday 27th July

Holy Communion at 10 am at All Saints' Marseille

(tbc) Holy Communion at 5.00 pm at the Eglise Protestante Unie, Aix

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