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a community centred on the living Jesus, growing serving
and reaching out in His name.

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March Staff Letter

By the time you read this Lent will have well and truly started.

Lent is the season in the Church calendar which is characterised by self-examination, penitence, self-denial and preparation for Easter. Ashes are an ancient sign of penitence and from the middle ages it became the custom to begin Lent by being marked in ash with the sign of the cross. Some Christians find it helpful to give up something in order to spend more time with God, or take something up which draws them closer to God. Nowadays the fourth Sunday of Lent is allowed as a day of relief from the rigours of fasting and this is when Mothering Sunday is now observed and people are encouraged to celebrate/feast and get back to the simplicity of Lent the following day! As Holy Week approaches the atmosphere of the season darkens; the Bible readings anticipate the story of Christ's suffering and death and the reading of the Passion Narrative gives to the Fifth Sunday of Lent its name of Passion Sunday.

There are many things you can do in Lent in order to prepare yourself for Easter, just setting aside time each day to be in God's presence, to read His word and invite His Holy Spirit to speak to you would be a great commitment for each of us. We of course in the Worle Parish Team also have the opportunity to attend this year's Lent Course. For an hour and a quarter every Monday evening during Lent we are inviting everyone from our four churches to come together as we look together at Rowan William's book, "Being Christian", the four topics being:- Baptism, Bible, Eucharist and Prayer. It's also a great opportunity to have fellowship with people from across the team.

So whatever Lent means to you, however little or much you observe Lent may God bless you at this special time of year.

Emma Amyes



WHAT'S ON IN MARCH

- Monday 2 7.45pm Lent Course at St Martin's Church: Baptism
Saturday 7 10.00am Sanctuary Morning at St Lawrence Church
Monday 9 7.45pm Lent Course at Mead Vale: The Bible
Tuesday 10 2.15pm St Martin's Fellowship in Church - Lent "What is the Food Bank?" Speaker Mrs. Barbara Wood
Thursday 12 10.45am St Martin's Coffee Morning in Church
Saturday 14 1.30pm Mothering Saturday Bake-off at St Lawrence Village Hall
Monday 16 7.45pm Lent Course at St Mark's Church: Eucharist
Saturday 21 10.00am Coffee Morning at Mead Vale Church in Community Hall
5.15pm St Martin's Free Film Night in Church showing Out of Africa
Monday 23 7.45pm Lent Course at St Lawrence Church: Prayer

Service Times

St Martin's

- Sunday: 8am Holy Communion
Sunday: 10.00am Family Communion
(1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th)
Morning Praise (2nd)
Sunday: 6pm Service of Healing (1st),
Choral Evensong (3rd), Fifth Sunday
Service (5th)

St Mark's

- Sunday: 9.30am Prayer Meeting
Sunday: 10.30am
Service of the Word: 1st Sunday
Holy Communion: 2nd, 4th and 5th
Sundays
All Age Worship 3rd Sunday

Mead Vale

- Sunday: 10.30am There is a monthly
pattern of two Holy Communion
services,
one Morning Worship service and one
All Age Worship service
2nd Sunday: 6.00pm Evening Prayer
4th Sunday 6.00pm Pub Presence (The
Nightjar)

St Lawrence

- 1st Sunday: 10.00am All Age Service
2nd Sunday: 6.00pm Evening Worship
3rd Sunday: 10.00 am Morning Praise
with
Sunday Club for children
4th Sunday: 6.00 pm Holy Communion
5th Sunday: 6.00 pm Songs of Praise

MIDWEEK SERVICES OF HOLY COMMUNION

- Wednesdays** *9.30am at St. Mark's **Thursdays** 10.00am at St. Martin's
*First **Wednesday** in the month 10.00am Mead Vale Community Hall

From the Rector

Archiving - Ladies Breakfast – WPCC - Good Friday

Archiving - On 19th January, ten large archive boxes of files, which came from a number of people were assembled in St Martin's Church. They were then taken to the Archive and Heritage Centre in Taunton. At the same time, sixteen bags of unnecessary paper were sent for secure shredding. This completes Stage One, the first phase of our Archiving Project. Stage Two will be completed in the summer and Stage Three later in the year. The service is free and accessible and items are stored and recorded indefinitely. Many thanks to Paul Elliott for driving this through and enabling this first phase to be completed.

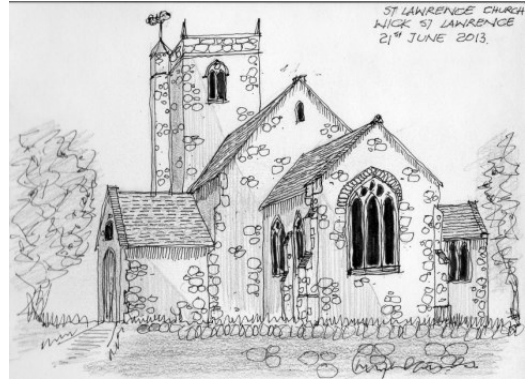
Worle Parish Ladies Breakfast - On Saturday 7 February, 20 ladies enjoyed a great continental breakfast with fresh fruit salad (thank you Sheila). Lois Radcliffe was truly inspirational as she shared her testimony of God's goodness in her life; despite losing her mum when she was seven, Lois always knew love. She also shared the wonderful result of ten years faithful prayer for family with husband Mike. We hope to invite Lois back later in the year to share more. In the meantime we are delighted that Elizabeth Alden will join us for our next breakfast on Saturday 16 May at 8am in St Martin's Church at which she will share the joys and delights of raising four boys!

Worle Parochial Church Council - A meeting of the Worle Parochial Church Council was held on 27 January. Topics included a celebration of Christmas services, a discussion about Children and Youth Workers and preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Good Friday - On Good Friday, 3 April, there will be a service outside the Co-op in Worle High Street at 11am. Prior to that there will be services in St Martin's Church and St Mark's Church. Crosses will be carried from each of these churches to the High Street. The churches of the parish join with Milton Baptist Church in organising the event and other churches join in as they wish.

With love
Revd Paul Larcombe

St Lawrence Church, Wick St Lawrence



Coffee and Beetle Drives

At the end of January we launched our Cascading Coffee Mornings with the idea of encouraging others to host further coffee mornings with small donations to raise money for the mission and upkeep of Wick Church. Thank you for the generosity of all who came, we look forward to these mornings 'cascading on....' February began with a hilarious Beetle Drive in the Village Hall at Wick, a truly multi-generational event, which welcomed children and adults from ages 5 – 70+. In the hive of activity of dice rattling and the drive to finish your beetle first, one father, attending his first village beetle drive, was heard to say, "It's very competitive isn't it?" They certainly are, but with laughs.

Walk to church Sunday

As with last year, the diocese is promoting a carbon fast for Lent. At Wick we turned this into action with a, 'Walk to church Sunday.' We will be doing the same this year on Mothering Sunday, 15th March, encouraging people to leave their cars at home, or park half way and walk the rest.

Sanctuary in March

"...we can work without stopping, faster and faster, electric lights making artificial day so the whole machine can labour without ceasing. But remember: No living thing lives like this...." writes Wayne Mueller author of 'Sabbath Keeping'. Read more about recapturing peaceful rhythms in life at the **Sanctuary Morning in Wick Church on Saturday 7 March**, be open to God and receive his peace. 10 – 12.30pm, refreshments provided, stay as long or as short as you like.

Mothering Saturday Bake Off Saturday 14 March

After the success of last Easter's bake off, Gill and Clive Smith are arranging another this year with an adult challenge to bake a great Mother's Day cake, and for the children to decorate a giant cup cake. The event begins at 1.30pm for children to decorate their cup cake, which we will provide, and adults to bring in their entries. Judging begins at 2.30pm followed by sampling over tea and coffee at 2.45pm for a small fee. For more details see www.wick-st-lawrence.com or call 520727



St. Mark's Church



St. Mark's look forward this month to joining together with the three other churches in the Parish for the Lent meetings, with St. Mark's hosting on Monday March 16th.

Our Children's work JAM is continuing to gain momentum, with Ally and Lyndsey, the Children's Leaders providing stimulating Biblical teaching and craft activities for the children to enjoy.

The Parent and Toddler group is thriving, the parents and children enjoy the afternoon on Thursdays 1-3pm. Everyone who comes has a relaxing time with a cup of coffee/tea, a chance to catch up with friends and the children have a wonderful time with play dough, toys, occasional craft and dancing to music with Brenda. They of course particularly like the squash and biscuits. It is eagerly anticipated that the possibility of a Children and Youth Work will be employed in the near future within the Parish. Please let the Parish Office know if you feel this is a worth while project to support.

The Church School link is going well with some Church members actively involved in the St. Mark's School Link Group. This group helps Chris Elms with assemblies and encourage contact with St. Mark's Church on a regular basis.

We thank God for all the Good things that He has done for all our four Churches and we hope and pray for continuation of the wonderful plans He has for each of us.

Rosemary Burden

St Martin's Church



Events - We had a fabulous puddings and quiz night in February in which 20 delicious puddings were consumed. Thank you to quiz master Barbara for extremely challenging questions and for everyone who took part. There will be a chance to test your bowling skills later in April at a skittles evening at the 'Golden Lion' on the 21st, further details will be in April's magazine. **Film Night** – our final film of the season is 'Out of Africa' showing on Saturday 21st March, 5.15pm, free entry with teas and coffees available.

Services - During the season of Lent some of the service themes will connect with the Lent Course running on Monday evenings at various venues in the parish. We will be exploring the basics of our faith, what it means to really love your neighbour, to understand baptism, to engage in Communion. The exception to this will be **Mothering Sunday on Sunday March 15** to which everyone is warmly invited and all ladies will receive a posy of flowers after morning services.

Service of Healing - Please note that there won't be a 6pm Service of Healing on 5 April (Easter Sunday). Instead we hope people will join us for the Easter Eve service on Saturday 4 April at 7pm which is a very special time with the opportunity to receive anointing with oil.

Open Church - From 1st April, the church will once again be open during the afternoons on Wednesdays from 2 – 4pm; a chance to sit in the quietness of church as generations have done before, maybe to pray, to reflect and to know God's peace.

Children - We continue to enjoy the babies and children who bring their parents and carers to Baby and Toddler group on Tuesday mornings in St Martins from 9.30 – 11am. The first session is free, thereafter £1 per family which includes juice, biscuit and a hot drink for adults. Tracy and Amy provide a simple activity, (Play Doh is always popular), a story and a fun song time. In Little Martin's, who meet during our 10am service, the children have been discovering more about the Christian faith first creating a 'Jar of Christianity' and then turning this into a mobile. In February they created a brilliant heart factory making decorating enough hearts at the 10am 'All Together' service for everyone to take home. This was as a reminder to be ready to love even those we find difficult. As Jesus said, "Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

Blessings, Anne

Mead Vale Church



At Mead Vale God has been speaking to Emma and the leadership team about reaching out to the community in new ways. This means that we have made the decision to not hold Messy Church for the time being. We Praise God for all that we have learnt over the years through Messy Church and His faithfulness in bringing many families to be a part of it. We also would like to thank everyone who worked so hard to make it happen. We now enter a season of getting out of the church and making contact with the people in our community which, we know God wants us to do. We have been reminded of this by verses 18 & 19 in Isaiah 43, “Forget the former things, do not dwell on the past, see I am doing a new thing”.

On Sunday 15th March we have our Mothering Sunday service in the Nightjar Pub at 10.30am and the day before, on Saturday 14th March, we shall be handing out flowers to all the mums that we see in the quadrangle near the church and shops, each small bouquet will have a card in saying it is from Mead Vale Church and any conversations that we find ourselves having we will invite people to our service the next day. We want to let the community know that God loves them and that there is a Church in their midst! We plan to do something similar for Easter Saturday, Father’s Day, Harvest and Christmas. Please join us in praying for this new mission that we are embarking on.

On Sunday 8th March at 10am we have a Church Family Breakfast please join us for food and fellowship before our All Age Service.

Don’t forget our monthly Coffee Mornings, every 3rd Saturday at 10am in the Mead Vale Community Centre. The next one is Saturday 21st March. A great opportunity for fellowship and refreshments whilst reading Ralph Devereux’s publication “The Mustard Seed”.

Rev Emma Amyes

From the Registers



Baptisms in St Mark's

1 February

Aaron Bailey Smith
Freya Marie Smith



Funerals in January

Kenneth Owen aged 83
Baby Harper Rose Warren

Funerals in February

Leslie Harris aged 83
Samuel James Upham aged 93
Charles Derek Davis aged 85
Charles Little MBE aged 91
Alice Baker aged 99
Susan Cabble aged 63
Janet Horn aged 72
Brian Pepperall aged 83

Prayer for March

He is with you in the morning,
when the day is new and bright.
He is with you at the eventide,
and in the darkest night.
He is with you when you're happy,
when the sun shines in your day.
And when you're sad or lonely,
He is just a thought away.



USEFUL LOCAL DETAILS

Citizens Advice Bureau, Badger Centre, 3-6 Wadham Street..... 836200
 Opening: Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 10.00am - 3pm

CVS—W-s-M Council for Voluntary Services,
 Room 6, Roselawn, 28 Walliscote Grove Road,..... 631169

Community Association Contacts in Worle:

Lawrence Road Community Centre: Mrs. J.C.M. Thompson.....515681
 Mead Vale Community Centre, Redwing Drive,: Paddy Payne.....239186
 Preanes Green Resource Centre 9.30am-1.30pm529733

Doctors Surgeries

Dr R J B Bowering & Partners:

Riverbank Medical Centre, Walford Avenue, North Worle,
 Weston-super-Mare BS22 7YZ.....521133

Dr M H Pimm & Partner:

The Cedars Surgery, 87 New Bristol Road, Worle.
 Weston-super-Mare BS22 6AJ.....515878

Dr N D Patel

The Village Surgery, Hill Road East, Worle
 Weston-super-Mare BS22 9HF..... 516671

Worle Medical Practice, High Street, Worle BS22 6HB..... 516789

Pharmacies:

See local chemists rota for late night opening but Milton Pharmacy,
 260 Milton Road is open Monday 8am till Friday 8pm ,
 Saturday 8am to 2pm and Sunday closed. 413100

Samaritans call any time.....632555

Waste Disposal Tip, Herluin Way.....419447

Sat 9.00am—4.00pm; Mon—Fri 8.00am—4.30pm Sunday 9.00am - 4.00pm

North Somerset Town Hall WSM.....888888

Worle Library, High Street.....426090

Open: Mon, Tues 9.30am—5.30pm
 Wed Closed
 Thurs. 9.30—5.30
 Friday 9.30—7.00pm,
 Saturday 9.30am—1.00pm and 2.00pm—4.00pm
 Mobile Library Service.....426020

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 District Secretary- Ann Coombes..... 513699
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St. Martin's Primary (V.C.) School.....Tel: 628651
St. Georges Primary (V.A) School..... Tel: 426901

WHAT'S ON AT ST MARKS

Home Groups Midweek adult fellowship and study....
Enid Wills 512677 Colin Guichard 521792 Alan & Lesley Faulkner 526689

Sunday Morning Teaching Groups for ages 0-13

Young People during the week....Rainbows: Weds 4.30pm-5.30pm (Julia Watt 420422)
Brownies Mondays and Wednesdays (Sue Cox 515913)
Daily Pre-school (515922)
Guides on Wednesday (Nicky Parker-Hall 518406)
Thursday Parents & Toddlers (Rosemary Burden 514415)
Lettings..... The Parish Office 515922 (Liz Winter)

WHATS ON AT ST MARTIN'S

Choir..... Richard Lennox 07710788911
Church Cleaning Guild. Friday Morning
Flowers..... Diane Swatton 513111
Handbells.....
Social Events..... Diane Swatton 513111
Bellringers..... Jim Lambard 514004
Sacristy..... Communion, Servers, Vestments Joan Elliott 513968
St Martin's Fellowship..... Iris Elsbury 519497
Baby & Toddler Group..... Revd Anne Farmer 515610
Little Martin's Children's Group Every Sunday during 10.00am Service

WHAT'S ON AT MEAD VALE

Life Groups.... Penny Devereux 511140
Coffee Morning.... Wednesdays 10.30am in the Nightjar / 3rd Saturday in every month
Mead Vale Community Centre 10.00am
Messy Church TBA
COSMIC.... Sunday morning groups for children
Lettings Contact for hall Paddy Payne 239186

WHAT'S ON AT ST. LAWRENCE

Open Church During daylight hours the church is open for anyone seeking a sanctuary of peace and quiet
Bellringers Paul Tomlinson 515853
Choir Elizabeth Glen 832283 (Youth) Jaqueline Hockley 520956 (Adult)
Sunday Club & Sunday Youth Gang Sunday morning groups for children and young people. Contact Revd. Anne Farmer 515610