



Worle Wide Express

September 2016 Price 25p





THE PARISH OF WORLE

St. Martin's, Church Road St. Lawrence, Wick St. Lawrence St. Mark's, Queensway Mead Vale Community Hall, Redwing Drive. Worle Parish Office, St. Mark's Church Centre, St. Mark's Road, Worle BS22 7PW......515922

Mission Statement:

a community centred on the living legue, growing serving

a community centred on the living Jesus, growing serving and reaching out in His name.				
STAFF TEAM	Readers			
Acting Team Rector	Mr. Robert Taylor			
Revd. Anne Farmer	9 Ramsey Close, Worle512139			
21 Westmarch Way, Worle BS22 7JY515610	Mrs. Penny Devereux			
Revd Emma Amyes	34 Sunningdale Road, Worle BS226XP511140			
15 Woodpecker Drive, Worle BS22 8SR521765	Mrs. Jayne Webster-Blyth			
Revd Chris Elms	50 Pelican Close, Worle BS22 8XP519406			
Church Cottage, 2a St Mark's Road, Worle, BS22 7PW51543	Ms. Yvonne Criddle			
Revd. Dr. Gilly Bunce (Associate Priest)01275 810610	20 Christian Close, Worle BS22 7TP515912			
	Mrs. Grace Rubery			
Parish Administrator - Mrs Liz Winter	5A Madam Lane, Worle BS22 6PJ517561			
Parish Office515922	Marchael and American			
	Youth Worker			
	Mr Mark Fuller			
Safeguarding Co-ordinators St Mark's Church Eileen Billing 643025 Wick St Lawrence Church Kath Kidd 520273	email captainmarksparrow@hotmail.co.uk07968133959			
Mead Vale & St Martin's Church Rev Anne Farmer	Honorary Minister			
	The Revd. Robin Vincent Willows Edge, 2 Westwood Close, Worle BS22 0JU517425			

Know what is going on Read Worle Wide Express, Worle Parish Magazine, for news and the Community. Worle Wide Express costs 25p a month, or £2.75 for 12 issues when you pay in January. (£9.11 for 12 issues by post.) Cheques made payable to THE PARISH OF WORLE
I enclose a year's subscription of £2.75 (Jan-Dec) or Pro Rata
I cannot get easily to Church, so please deliver it to my home
I will collect from my Church Centre as shown
My name and address
Clip and send to: Worle Parish Office, St. Mark's Church, St. Mark's Road, Worle.BS22 7PW The contributor's views are not necessarily those held by the Church Council

Letter from Bishop Ruth

The night has passed and the day lies open before us. Let us pray with one heart and mind'. Words with which we begin morning prayer.



September can often be one of the busiest

months of our church calendar. I suppose it's partly because holidays have come to an end, children have returned to school, and we feel the need to get back into the swing of all those meetings! Somehow we feel we must have a PCC due to the summer break (never mind that the legal requirement is just 4 meetings a year); or we want to fit in a confirmation course before Advent; or there's all those appointment interviews to be had if we want someone to start in the new year.

Busy, busy! Last month Bishop Peter spoke about our first diocesan strategic priority as putting mission and evangelism at the heart of all we do, 'living and telling the story of Jesus' love for us'. And if we are going to be able to fulfil that charge then we must underpin our 'living and telling' with prayer. Otherwise it will just be about giving busy people more things to do. As we enter into that conversation with Jesus so we will be able to discern what is important, where we should focus our efforts and what we may need to stop in order to do so.

Maybe you remember the story of Mary and Martha, welcoming Jesus into their family home. He evidently found their home to be a place of welcome and hospitality, somewhere where he could relax and be himself.

We were once invited to dinner with a couple who we had got to know through church. It was an amazing evening, a 7 course dinner, in effect Christmas with all the trimmings although it was summer. There were even silver candelabra! I found out later that Rose had never had folk round for supper before. She'd purchased the candlesticks specially. Over the next few years we got to know them well to the point where we all could relax over a coffee rather than be worrying about dropping peas on the carpet.

Prayer needs to become part of our daily bread and butter where we don't find ourselves self-conscious but entering into the welcome of family. Where sitting and listening with Mary or sharing our worries and concerns as Martha did becomes a natural way of living. And where we can hear the voice of Jesus encouraging and challenging us in our living and telling of his story of love.

WHAT'S ON IN SEPTEMBER

Saturday 3	10.00am	Sanctuary Morning at St Lawrence
Saturday 18	3.00pm	Free Family Film at St Martin's
	5.15pm	Free Film Night at St Martin's Church showing "The
		Railway Man"
Weds 14	7.30pm	Parish Prayer until 8.30pm at St Martin's Church
Saturday 24	10.00am	Mead Vale Coffee Morning at Mead Vale Community
-		Centre

Harvest Wisdom

Talk unbelief, and you will have unbelief; but talk faith, and you will have faith. According to the seed sown will be the harvest. Ellen G. White

The law of harvest is to reap more than you sow. Sow an act, and you reap a habit. Sow a habit and you reap a character. Sow a character and you reap a destiny.

James Allen

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: 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

Parish Page



Team Rector

We continue to pray for our new Team Rector and appointment process. During August, our church wardens have met to discuss the contents of the parish profile. Rev Gilly Bunce has been getting us talking in our churches about what we would value in a Rector, what's special about our particular church and the sorts of things we would like to be able to do and see happen. During September we hope to have further consultations in order to state clearly what it is we want in our new Team Rector. Our aim is also to present the parish to applicants in as clear a way as possible, to explain the joys and challenges of being the Rector of Worle and to introduce our selves through the pages of the Parish Profile.

Parish Prayer

We are praying as much as possible for the process of appointing a new Team Rector and for all that goes on in our churches and parish. Silent Parish Prayer will take place twice at Wick St Lawrence Church on Saturday 3rd September. Please drop in any time between 10am and 12.30pm to offer up your prayers, a prayer guide and refreshments will be available. Prayer will also take place at St Martin's Church on Wednesday 14 September at 7.30—8.30pm

Abbe Hayward will be ending her time as our Finance Administrator on 5 September. Abbe has been in the role for two years and has done a great job co-ordinating the finances of our four churches and central costs. She will be greatly missed but we wish her well in her new job.

Harvest in Worle

This year harvest in Worle will be celebrated on two consecutive Sundays, at St Martin's and Mead Vale on Sunday 24 September and at St Mark's and Wick St Lawrence on Sunday 2 October. Each church will be holding special events and services, details of which are on the individual church pages.

St Lawrence Church, Wick St Lawrence

Can you sit still?

September begins with a morning of peace and quiet on Saturday 3rd between 10am and 12.30pm. This is also an



opportunity to pray in silence for our parish. But how can you stay still?' I was once asked. It's not easy. Our minds are busy and overloaded, we feel we need to be doing something. A good way to be still is to just sit. To place your feet firmly on the floor and feel them there, feel your bottom on the seat, your hands in your lap and your back supported. Just think about that, as one writer expressed it, "Come back to your body." Then breath in and out. Continue to feel your feet on the floor, your bottom seated, your hands in your lap, your back rested. If you can achieve two minutes, well done, it's a start. Mother Theresa said, "We must all take the time to be silent....especially those in who live in big cities ...where everything moves so fast. God is the friend of silence."

Harvest at Wick

Being a rural church, harvest is always a special time to celebrate and enjoy community at Wick St Lawrence. Our Harvest Festival is on Sunday October 2nd at the slightly later time of 11am. This will be followed by displays in church, conker competitions for children and adults, a simple lunch, games, Teddy Bear Parachute Jump and cream teas in the village hall. Do join us for some or all of our events, see timings below.



Harvest at Wick St Lawrence

Sunday October 2nd 11am Harvest Thanksgiving Service

12 noon onwards – Harvest Flower displays in the church + kneelers + spinning + coffee, tea, orange squash

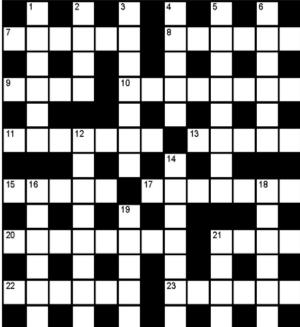
12.15pm – Conker Competition for children, followed by adult competition 12.30 to 1.15pm - Simple lunch of Hotdogs

1.15 onwards - Treasure Hunt / games

2pm Teddy Parachute Jump from the church tower + ice creams / lollies (usually lasts a good 45 minutes...)

2.30pm Cream Teas in the Village Hall

Luke



Across

- 7 "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye _____, ye shall all likewise perish." Luke 13:5 (6)
- 8 The book of this prophet was handed to Jesus to read in the synagogue. Luke 4:17 (6)
- 9 "And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the _____s." Luke 21:25 (4)
- 10 The liturgical season celebrated after Christmas. (8)
- 11 An act of devotion to show sorrow for one's sin. (7)
- 13 "That he would ____ unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear." Luke 1:74 (5)
- 15 The tetrarch of Galilee. Luke 3:1 (5)
- 17 It's easier for a camel to go through this eye than for a rich man to enter the kingdom. Luke 18:25 (7)
- 20 Feeling regret or sorrow for one's sins. (8)

- 21 "Why do the disciples of John often ..." Luke 5:33 (4)
- 22 Jesus compared men of this country with the Jews of the time. Luke 11:32 (6)
- 23 "And it is _____ for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the law to fail." Luke 16:17 (6)

Down

- 1 "_____it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer." Luke 21:14 (6)
- 2 "And when the day began to
 ____away, then came the
 twelve, and said unto him, Send
 the multitude away ..." Luke
 9:12 (4)
- 3 "When I was daily with you in the temple, ye _____ed forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness." Luke 22:53 (7)
- 4 Tempted Jesus for forty days. Luke 4:2 (5)

- 5 Jesus mourns for the hard hearts of the people of Jerusalem saying, "how often would I have ______ thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings." Luke 13:34 (8)
- 6 One of the men in the line of Christ from Luke 3:36. (6)
- 12 These people asked for increased faith in Luke 17:5. (8)
- 14 The father of James and John. Luke 5:10 (7)
- 16 The Hebrew name for the Lord.(6)
- 18 The holiday that celebrates the events of Luke 24. (6)
- 19 The prodigal son returned to his father with plans to be this type of servant. Luke 15:19 (5)
- 21 If a son asks a father for this, will he give him a serpent? Luke 11:11 (4)

Faith thoughts and stories

The Story of the Dead Goldfish

As a young boy I was best friends with my next door neighbour Patrick who kept a goldfish in a bowl in his kitchen. Sadly one day it died and we were both very sad. So we gave his fish a good funeral.

We made a little coffin from two foil pie trays and put the fish in it. Then we dug a shallow grave in his back garden, and covered it with soil. We stood and remembered his fish.

After 2 days, being curious children, we wanted to know what a dead goldfish looked like! So we dug it up and stared in fascination. We the repeated process several times over the next few days! It was disgusting, but it helped us understand life and death. That goldfish was absolutely dead. The life that it had swimming round the bowl was gone –there was no trace of it, only memories.

We all know that death is normal but it is very sad for us if somebody or something we love dies. As I think back to that dead fish I'm always reminded of the hope of life beyond death that we have as Christians through our faith in the death & resurrection of Jesus – what peace that brings us.

God gave me curiosity

I've always asked questions; taken ideas to pieces, not to destroy them but to understand. That includes my relationship with God, and 'How Everything Works.' My folk were OK with that. Some other Christians weren't. It was as if I had to leave my curiosity outside the door, not question, not think, just Believe! But if God gave me curiosity, God encourages me to use it. Mercifully it seems that I don't have to put all those pieces back together myself. God does it, always in new and surprising ways, which often makes me smile; and I'm very grateful!

There was always something missing....

I was raised as a Christian and went to Sunday School but I moved away from the church as a teenager. I always felt there was something missing in my life but didn't know what it was. Ten years ago I met someone who was a local Methodist preacher and fell into conversation with her. She encouraged me to go to church where I found myself in a



retreat sessions. Then it hit me, I was missing God. I put my life in God's hands and basically said, "Do what you want with me." Although I suffer from varying health issues I know God is always there, ready to listen.

Can you put your story into words? Please let us know.

Then and Now, the Farm at Sainsbury's

Mike and Jean Collings married at St Martin's Church on an incredibly hot day in June 1957. After 10 years of married life, farming in Essex, Wotton under Edge, and Radstock, Mike applied for the tenancy of Apple Tree Farm on the edge of Worle for which he was successful and took up farming the land on Lady Day (25 March) in 1968. The fifty acres of farmland extended across the land that is now occupied by Sainsbury's, Priory School, North Somerset Courthouse, Macdonald's, Argos and Homebase.



Mike described where they lived as a lovely little farm backed by elm trees. The farm buildings, on what is now Apple Tree Court, housed a milking parlour, calving pens, a hay barn, sheds for machinery and a hay loft where the local Guides stored their equipment. The remnant of

the farm wall can still be seen at the entrance to Apple Tree Court opposite the Summer House pub.

The farm land comprised seven fields on which dairy herds grazed and an apple orchard, located roughly where now Old Bristol Road ends near the roundabout by the Summer House. At the point where today you enter Sainsbury's from the Queen's Way there used to be a tributary of the River Banwell, with swans, ducks and good sites for fishing for Eels and Roach.

Being on the main road directly leading into Weston, before the diversion of the A370 and construction of the M5, Apple Tree Farm was ideally placed to sell apples from the orchard, along with home grown vegetables, strawberries, free range eggs and clotted cream. Many tourists in cars and coaches would pull in to browse and buy, although a rather smaller operation than today's Sainsbury's!

In 1975, when the farm was compulsorily purchased for the expansion of Worle, Mike and Jean moved on to farm in Frampton Cotterell. They retired back to Worle in 1990 where Jean spent a number of years volunteering at Worle Parish Office. The couple were regular attenders of the 8am service at St Martin's Church and occasionally at Wick St Lawrence, where Jeans family came from. This summer the couple celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary.

Kids Bible Wordsearch

Resurrection of Jesus Christ

Fit the words in the list into the diagram below reading forward, backward, up, down, diagonally, always in a straight line.

Puzzle #3

ALIVE ANGEL BETRAYED BLOOD BODY CHRIST CRUCIFIED DISCIPLES FEET FORSAKEN FULFILLED GOLGOTHA JESUS JOY JUDAS

K X Y F P Ε R Α M F L М В Н P R Ε B E G A W



LORD
MAGDALENE
MARY
NIGHT
PILATE
RAIMENT
RISEN
ROBE
SCOURGED
SOLDIERS
SON
THIRTY
THORNS
TOMB
WATCH

+ 3

http://biblewordgames.com

•

COPYRIGHT 2002 - BILL WALTERS PUBLICATIONS

St. Mark's Church

New Wine summer event in Shepton Mallet

Last month a number of us from St Mark's attended this annual event in Shepton Mallet and had a fantastic time. There were about 13,000 people from churches all over the West Country enjoying Christian preaching and teaching from a number of eminent speakers, attending workshops and various forums, the buzz was great. Talk about feeling closer to God! The worship at meetings was powerful and the children had a very good time in groups suitable for their age. If you're thinking of going next year, autumn is a good time to start spreading the cost by paying something off monthly. Find out how good it was by chatting to Chris, Jody, Dave or Lin Fortune. For info visit www.new-wine.org

Free Car Wash!

Chris & Jody Elms' Home Group will be offering a free car wash to passers-by in the church car park on Saturday 10 September between 10am and 12 noon. This is a simple act of generosity to show we care – come and have your car washed and spread the word!



Ability Sunday

On Sunday September 11th we will be taking part in Ability Sunday, a nation-wide event that encourages churches to think about the importance of welcoming those with disabilities into church. This is organised by Prospects Access to Life Group. As the group explains 'Society might want to divide us up into disabled and able, but in fact we are all made by the hands of a loving God who has given each of us distinctive abilities.' To find out more call Prospects on 0207 452 2000 or go to their website: www.prospects.org.uk/abilitysunday

Harvest at St Mark's Sunday 2 October, 10.30am

We will be welcoming the 5th & 6th Worle Brownies and 6th Worle Guides to St Mark's for our shorter All Age service as we celebrate Harvest together.

St Martin's Church

Gatherings....

We had two in August at the Vicar's house. The first was a picnic for all involved in Little Martin's. Because of the



drizzle eleven children and six adults sat round a picnic blanket in the middle of the living room! But it was a chance for the adults to sit and chat whilst the children built dens, when it was wet, under the dining room table, when it was dry outside under a Crack Willow tree on Castle Batch. The second event was a fund raising coffee morning on a beautiful sunny day. Again, chances to have longer conversations than those snatched at the church door. Grateful thanks for the beautiful cakes, vegetables and gifts that were bought, and for Elizabeth Rooke's help with the 'everyone wins' tombola.

Helping..

We continue to be incredibly grateful for all the voluntary help we receive at St Martin's during the week and on Sundays. Can you help us too? We need folk on Sundays to welcome people, operate our VDU and sound system and serve refreshments (sometimes the most important conversations take place round the coffee table after a service!) Once every quarter would be fantastic. During the week the church is in



constant use for weddings, funerals and school visits, can you spare an occasional hour to help us keep St Martin's in good condition? One of our cleaners said, "I enjoy being in here in the quiet, happy to keep up the beauty of this old church in the 21st century." Please contact our church wardens if you can help.

Harvest at St Martin's

Saturday 24 September we begin our Free Film Night showing 'The Railway Man' at **5.15pm**, with refreshments for sale. Before that, at the request of our younger members, we will also be showing a family friendly film beginning at **3pm** with popcorn and snacks for sale.

Sunday 25 September Harvest Thanksgiving Services take place at 8am and 10am with food contributions going to the Food Bank in Weston.

On Saturday 8 October we have a Harvest Gala Concert with Worle Wind

Mead Vale Church



Recently Sue Marshall joined our church family at Mead Vale and she would like to share the story of how she came to be at Mead Vale Church:-

"Around two years ago God spoke to me as I walked by Mead Vale Church and said I was to join. I ignored God as I was happy being in the Church I was in. Slowly things in my church changed and every reason I was there for was taken away.

God spoke to me about joining Mead Vale Church again. I prayed and God gave me lots of scriptures and signs. I knew I had to obey God and join Mead Vale Church. I started going in January of this year and it was the hardest decision I had to make. But over the last few months God has blessed me in so many ways, I feel I am at home here and my relationship with God is getting stronger and stronger day by day. God is the rock of our salvation!"

We are pleased and thankful that Sue was obedient to God and that she has joined us! In our sermon series that we have been doing recently at Mead Vale, we talked about Faith and Obedience. We live in a world that says "if it feels good do it" but for us as Christians it's a case of "if God says do it do it, regardless of how you feel". Follow God and your feelings will follow! And that's what Sue did, she was obedient to God even though she didn't want to join Mead Vale and now she loves being with us and God is blessing her obedience!

Harvest at Mead Vale

On Saturday 24th September we have our next outreach for "Harvest". We gather in the small hall for prayer at 9.30 and will be handing out Harvest gifts to people in the community from 10am – 12 noon.

Our coffee morning is on Sat 24th too, from 10am – 11.30am in the small hall. A good opportunity to invite people in the community to come and join us for refreshments.

Sunday 25 September Harvest Thanksgiving at 10.30am

From the Registers





Baptisms in St Martin's

7 August Jacob Lewis Bridgeman

Olivia May Parrett Ivy Kate Hutton

Baptisms in St Lawrence

7 August Silas Tristan Ketchlove

Baptism in St Mark's

7 August Scarlett Mini Davis





Weddings in St Martin's

Stefan John James Dann to Nicole Ann Vinton Oliver Csereklye to Rebecca Helen Lisa Maxwell Stephen Russell Hornett to Wendy Fish

Funerals in August

Sarah Purchase aged 44 Ruby Bisley aged 88



Prayer for September

O Lord help us now and always to listen for the voice of God, to think fairly, to love widely to witness humbly, and to build bravely.



USEFUL LOCAL DETAILS

Citizens Advice Burea Opening: Mon, Tues, V	reet	836200	
	for Voluntary Services, 8 Walliscote Grove Road,		. 631169
	munity Centre: Mrs. J.C.M. Thomps	on Payne	
	cal Centre, Walford Avenue, North	Worle,	521133
	gery, 87 New Bristol Road, Worle.		515878
The Village Surg	gery, Hill Road East, Worle Mare BS22 9HF		516671
Worle Medical P	Practice, High Street, Worle BS22 6	SHB	. 516789
260 Milton Road	sts rota for late night opening but M I is open Monday 8am till Friday 8p o 2pm and Sunday closed	m ,	413100
Samaritans call any tin	me		632555
Waste Disposal Tip, H	lerluin Way		419447
Sat 9.00am - 4.00pm;	Mon - Fri 8.00am - 4.30pm	Sunday 9.00am - 4.00pm	
North Somerset Tow	n Hall WSM		888888
Open: Mon, Tue Wed Closed Thurs. 9.30—5.3 Friday 9.30—7.0 Saturday 9.30ar	9.30am—5.30pm 30 00pm, n—1.00pm and 2.00pm—4.00pm		
Guide contact numb Worle District:	Ann MacDonald		
Milton District: Priory District:	Liz Griffiths		624366 . 515208
1st North Worle 2nd Worle District Secretar	- Marion Hillcoky- Ann Coombes	Lawrence	521021 513699

WORLE PARISH - ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

(E.Mail) office@worlepo.co.uk (Website) www.worlewide.org.uk

Parish Churchwardens:

Paul Elliott 513968

Parish Administrator Liz Winter

Parish Office: Monday to Friday 9.00am-12 noon and Wednesday 7.00pm-8.00pm (by appointment only)

Tel: 515922

Baptisms & Weddings - Come to The Parish Office between 9-12noon Monday to Friday or Wednesday

Evening 7-8pm (by appointment only)

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....

Colin Guichard 521792 Rev Chris and Jody Elms 515438

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)

Pre-school Monday to Friday (515922)

Guides on Wednesday (Nicky Parker-Hall 518406)

Lettings...... The Parish Office 515922 (Liz Winter)

WHATS ON AT ST MARTIN'S

Choir..... Richard Lennox 07710788911

Church Cleaning Group. Thursday Morning
Social Events..... Diane Swatton 513111
Bellringers..... Jim Lambard 514004

Sacristy..... Communion, Servers, Vestments Joan Elliott 513968

Baby & Toddler Group..... Revd Anne Farmer 515610

Little Martin's Children's Every Sunday during 10.00am Service

Group

WHAT'S ON AT MEAD VALE

Life Group.... Penny Devereux 511140

Coffee Morning... Wednesdays 10.30am in the Nightjar / 3rd Saturday in every month

Mead Vale Community Centre 10.00am

COSMIC.... Sunday morning groups for children

Lettings.... 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 Sunday morning groups for children and young people. Contact Revd. Anne

Youth Gang Farmer 515610