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### **Mission Statement:**

a community centred on the living Jesus, growing serving

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### From the Bishop....

Thank you for your parish share contributions

This month I want to say a huge "THANK YOU!" to you all. In 2016, for the first time since 2009, the parishes in the Dioceses collectively contributed over 99% of the Parish Share requested for the Common Fund. All but 21 parishes made their full financial contribution. We know that for most parishes the Parish Share is the largest amount in your budget. You have made great efforts. Thank you so very much!

There will always be a few parishes each year that have particular financial issues which mean you can't quite make the full amount and I want to say "thank you" to you too. Thank you for doing your best and thank you for working with our central staff in finance and stewardship as they seek to help your parish rise to the challenge.

Parish Share is essential to the mission of the Church in the diocese, without it our parochial clergy could not be supported. The Common Fund is the diocese's largest single income stream. Through Parish Share, each church is given the opportunity of contributing towards the financial cost of ministry in the entire diocese. Larger and wealthier parishes are asked to make greater contributions so stipendiary ministry can be provided to less wealthy areas that otherwise might not have been able to afford it.

### As Paul wrote...

"Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality. At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need." (2 Corinthians 8: 13-14a NIV)

So, "Thank you!" for your commitment and generosity in this past year. It is a wonderful response to the generous love of God for us which is demonstrated so amazingly in the Easter story.

Rt Revd Ruth Worsley Bishop of Taunton

### WHAT'S ON IN MAY

Saturday 6	10.00am	Sanctuary Morning at St Lawrence
	5.00pm	Beetle Drive at Wick St Lawrence Village Hall
Saturday 13	10am	Christian Aid Fair at St Mark's Church
Saturday 20	10.00am	Mead Vale Coffee Morning in Community Hall
Sunday 21	2.30pm	Rogation Sunday Cream Teas at Wick Village Hall

**'Thrive'** Parish of Worle Youth Group meets on Friday May 12 & 26 at St Mark's Church 7pm.

### **SERVICE TIMES ON SUNDAYS**

For weekly variations please go to the parish website www.worlewide.org.uk and click on the relevant church page.

Children's activities take place in all our churches during morning services

### St Martin's

8am Holy Communion 10.00am Holy Communion (Morning Praise every 3rd Sunday)

6pm Choral Evensong (3rd) Fifth Sunday Service (5th)

### St Mark's

10.30am with Holy Communion celebrated alternate weeks (2nd, 4th & 5th)

### **Mead Vale**

10.30am with Holy Communion celebrated alternate weeks

6.00pm Evening Prayer (2nd) 6.00pm Pub Presence (4th) (The Nightjar Pub)

### St Lawrence

10am (1st and 3rd Sundays)
Informal and family friendly
6pm (2nd and 4th Sundays)
Quiet and traditional

### 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



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### **Good Friday on the High Street**

We had a fantastic turn out for the Good Friday walk of witness on Worle High Street this year. Over 80 people from the parish and Worle Baptist church gathered outside the Co-op to sing Easter hymns and songs. Peter Lynch led the service and Rev Chris Elms gave a poignant reflection on Jesus' sacrifice. We were also fortunate to have Elizabeth Glen lead us in our singing. Thank you also to the Co-op for providing hot cross buns.

### The Archdeacon's Visitation

This is a service celebrated annually when an Archdeacon visits churches in a deanery to bring oversite of some administrative matters of the Church of England but mainly to equip and affirm officers in the church in a service of blessing and celebration. Clergy, Church Wardens and Chapel Wardens, Readers and other licensed ministers are all invited to attend. During the service Church Wardens are also affirmed in their role. This year the visitation takes place at **All Saints**, **Wrington on Wednesday 3 May at 7pm**. It should be particularly poignant as this will be Archdeacon Andy Piggott's final visitation to our Deanery before he retires in June.

### Parish prayer

We continue to hope and pray that the Team Rector vacancy will be filled sooner rather than later. This time we have received some applications for the post which will be shortlisted ready for interview in the middle of the month. One blessing which has arisen out of the vacancy is our regular parish prayer which will continue after an appointment has been made. All number of parish issues and situations are prayed for during this hour which in May takes place at **St Mark's Church on Wednesday 24 May from 7.30 – 8.30pm.** 

### Service of Remembrance for loved ones Sunday May 7

This service is held annually to give those who have been bereaved the chance to remember and give thanks together in the setting of St Martin's Church. Close to 80 funerals are taken by clergy and readers in the parish every year. In the remembrance service we pray for God's consolation, help and healing. Further details are on St Martin's page.

# St Lawrence Church, Wick St Lawrence

Keep calm and carry on, or how about just 'Keep calm.' 'Two Listeners,' the writers of 'God Calling' in the 1930s

write, 'You accomplish more by keeping calm than by all the activities of a long day. At all cost, keep calm, you can help nobody when you are agitated. The Lord sees not as man sees.' As usual at the start of the month we invite you to seek that calm in the quiet of **Wick Church for our Sanctuary Morning on Saturday 6 May**. Drop in any time between 10am and 12.30pm for as long or short as you like, refreshments provided, peace offered.



The opposite of calm is a Beetle Drive. A great activity for everyone and particularly good for families.

Our next Beetle Drive at Wick is on Saturday 6 May at 5pm in Wick St Lawrence Village Hall

Tickets £2.50 or £2.00 for children to include a hot dog. Drinks will also be available. For more details contact Sandra Redman on 515716 or:

theredmans@ebdonbow.plus.com

### Rogation Sunday cream teas

Rogation Sunday is the day when the Church has traditionally offered prayer for God's blessings on the fruits of the earth and the labours of those who produce our food. The word "rogation" is from the Latin *rogare*, "to ask." Historically, the Rogation Days (the three days before Ascension Day) were a period of fasting and abstinence, beseeching God's blessing on the crops for a bountiful harvest. Few of us today directly derive our livelihood from the

production of food, yet it is good to be reminded of our dependence upon those who do and our responsibility for the environment.

Rather than practise abstinence we invite you to come to the country on Rogation Sunday 21 May and enjoy a cream tea in the Village Hall served from 2. 30–5pm.

### Then and Now: Worle Libraries from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> Centuries







Captain and Mrs. Battiscombe lived at Hillside House [pictured top left, now demolished], behind the Church on Church Road. They created the first known library in the village. From the **1880s until 1922** the large room over the coach house was fitted out as a free of charge 4,000 book library. A blazing fire was lit on Saturday evenings and the library was a popular venue for local people. The long drive, lined with tall trees, up to the house, caused ladies to hesitate at the gate and await the arrival of another reader before walking the rest of the way to Hillside to sit and read. Worle Men's Village Club opened its doors in the **1890s** in premises at the top of The Scaurs, close to the Old King's Head. One of its features was a reading room which supplied local working men with a range of newspapers each day and a small collection of donated books. The papers were given by the Robins family who ran a shop at the top of Ten Acres, now Coronation Road. In 1904, Edward Hardwick of Springfield House, Spring Hill, donated a plot of land to the Club for new premises. The Club's minutes tell us that the reading room tradition was carried on when the new premises in Mendip Avenue [above centre] was built.

Late in the wonderful **1950s** Worle welcomed the arrival of the Mobile Library. There is little factual information about this service still available, but the large, articulated vehicle parked, twice a week, in Mendip Avenue and a small group of folk waited patiently for its arrival. The customers of this excellent service could request specific volumes, which the staff would produce without fail the following week.

The present site of Worle Branch Library was once land belonging to the Parker family. In **1946** it was compulsorily purchased for £430 to provide land for The Maltings Pre-fabricated houses to be built, to re-house people affected by World War 2 bombs.

In 1965 plans were announced to demolish and rehouse the families in The Maltings and 'to build 27 old people's flatlets, a branch library and six shops with flats over them.' Mr Parker was aggrieved about the commercial premises, but was over-ruled, and in 1969 Worle's Branch Library was opened amid much local delight.

**In 2016** it emerged that time was about to move on again. Our library is to leave its present site, and in June 2017 a new representation of its present incarnation will be moved to The Children's Centre in Mendip Avenue, next door to the Century Club.

Raye Green

Worle History Society

Next meeting at St Martin's School Worle Thursday 4 May, at 7pm with former Teacher Bob Champ

### **Sponsored Prayer Walk – Wells to Glastonbury**



Following the death in a road accident last year of Rhys, our sixteen year old grandson, his father, Jonathan, mother Joanne and sister, Catrin, set up an Educational Trust in his memory. In order to raise funds for this my elder daughter, Johanna, and I undertook a sponsored prayer walk from the doors of Wells Cathedral to Glastonbury Tor.

As I walked I prayed for people, projects and parishes. Although I was walking along pavements with traffic whizzing by I found this an immensely spiritual experience and felt so very close to God, for often physical exercise can be a communication with God as we do it the best we can for Him.

We prayed and left blue ribbons at the top of the Tor where I felt that I passed over some of my sadness at the loss of Rhys. He was a lovely young man, a member of the Air Cadets and Bridgend Hockey club, a talented pianist and guitarist. Rhys excelled in school work gaining five A\* and eight A's at GCSE. He starred in many school productions. He had planned to go into medicine. After his death his wish to become an organ donor was honoured, affecting the lives of seven people. We felt so supported at the cremation service to celebrate Rhys' life when sixteen hundred people attended.

Thanks to the generosity of the four churches in the Parish of Worle, family and friends I have raised £1,700 which will be used to benefit pupils in the schools which Rhys attended.

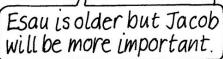
Grace Rubery, St Martin's Church

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It can be read in the Bible in Genesis ch 25:19-33,27:1-42

# A short story from the Bible

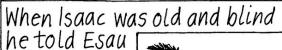
Isaac and Rebekah had twin sons - Esau ('Hairy') and Jacob ('Grasper'). When the boys were born, God said...









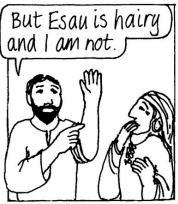




[I want to give you my special ] blessing; first catch me some food.



You could I have that blessing)



Use goat skin to L cover your arms and wear Esau's clothes







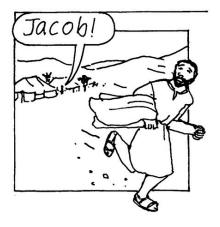
Then Esau returned

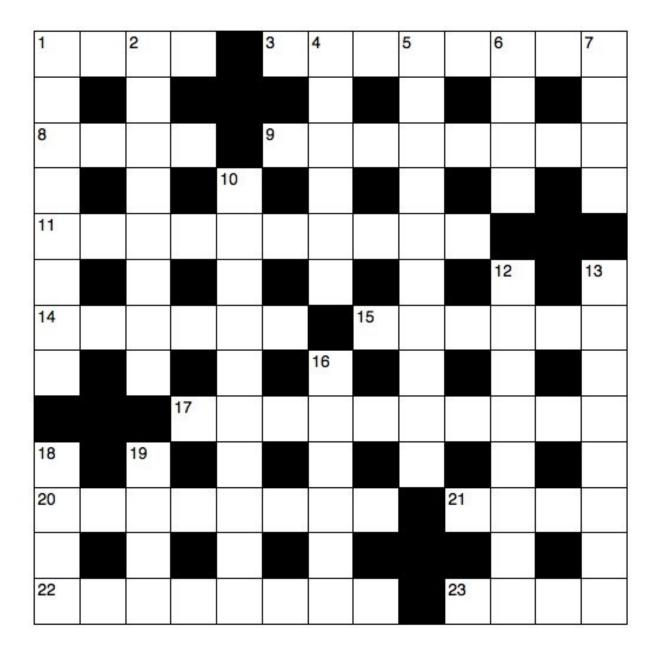


I'm sorry, I already L blessed your brother

You must run away or Esau will kill you. Go to my brother Laban's home.







### **Across**

- 1 Infant (Luke 2:12) (4)
- 3 Luis must (anag.) (8)
- 8 What Jesus called the devil (John 8:44) (4) (2 Corinthians 6:5) (8)
- 9 'My God, my God, why have you me?' (Matthew 27:46) (8)
- 11 Anglican form of church government (10)
- 14 'Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like — '(lsaiah 40:31) (6)
- 15 Ministers of religion (6)
- 17 Make stronger (1 Thessalonians 3:13)
- 20 Devoutness (1 Timothy 2:2) (8)
- 21 The father of Jesse (Ruth 4:22) (4)
- 22 Pool where Jesus healed a man who had been an invalid for 38 years (John 5:2) (8) 23 '[Jesus] said to them, " — here and keep
- watch" (Mark 14:34) (4)

### **Down**

- 1 Follower of Christ (Acts 16:1) (8)
- 2 One of the punishments endured by Paul
- 4 Soldiers (Exodus 14:9) (6)
- 5 Scholarly study of melody, harmony and rhythm (10)
- 6 'I am God, and there is none me' (Isaiah 46:9) (4)
- 7 'And how can they preach unless they are - ?' (Romans 10:15) (4)
- 10 Favourable reception (1 Timothy 1:15)
- 12 Hip orbit (anaq.) (8)
- 13 End of life (Isaiah 22:14) (5,3)
- 16 'About midnight the sailors they were approaching land' (Acts 27:27) (6)
- 18 He married Jezebel (1 Kings 16:30–31) (4)
- 19 'According to your great compassion out my transgressions' (Psalm 51:1) (4)

### St. Mark's Church



### Easter every day!

How was your Easter?

Did you have chocolate for breakfast on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April?! (I did) Perhaps you made it to one of the special services we held in the four churches across the parish. Here at St Mark's we held our powerful Good Friday service before walking with a wooden cross to join other Christians on the High Street in Worle.

In the book of Romans chapter 8 verse 11 it says this,

"And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you."

Think about that for a minute. The same Holy Spirit that brought Jesus back to life after his body was kept lifeless in the tomb – that same Spirit lives in each follower of Jesus.

If you're a Christian you'll know what this feels like. You've seen the Duracell battery advert with the toy rabbits that keep going. Well, the Holy Spirit is a bit like that. He gives Christians:

Peace

Strength

Power

He helps us to resist sin, to understand the bible, to have wisdom and self control. That's the thin end of the wedge – there's plenty more than that!

If you put your trust in Jesus then his Holy Spirit helps our lives to feel like Easter every day!

With love, Revd Chris (515 438)

### St Martin's Church

Sun 7<sup>th</sup> May 6pm

# Memories in May: honouring them and making new ones...



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### Service to remember loved ones

During the Easter season, as we celebrate Jesus' Resurrection, we also remember and celebrate the lives of people we loved, who are no longer with us. Our love for them continues beyond their earthly life; we have time to honour them, to light a candle, and afterwards to join together in friendship and fellowship during refreshments. Please come if it feels right for you.

### Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> May 7am

**Ascension Day** 

Come and celebrate Ascension Day! Afterwards, there will be bacon rolls and coffee or tea to enjoy together. **Please sign up**, on the sheet in the porch, if you wish to have breakfast with us.

Or contact the Parish Office.



### Wed 21<sup>st</sup> June 7- 8 30pm

# Worle History Society at St Martin's



The society have complied a comprehensive record of headstones, tablets and graves in the church and church yard and at a special meeting in church will celebrate and explain the work undertaken.

For prayer: 'Made in heaven...'

### The season of Weddings is here!



Couples who choose to be married here often have a family or childhood connection with St Martin's church.

As the marriage service reminds us, 'God is love, and those who live in love, live in God, and God lives in them.' Please pray for them, for their preparations, for the new relationship with each other and with God which is possible because of their choice to be married here.

### Mead Vale Church



We have recently introduced Prayer Ministry at Mead Vale, after each second Sunday service. Greg Webster and Paul Harding, offer prayer for anyone who would like to receive it and we praise God for using them in this way to minister to people and for the encouragement and blessing it is for all those who are prayed for.

For this month's magazine Greg writes about it:-

Firstly and most importantly healing is a full part of Jesus' ministry and we as his followers were commanded just before he ascended: "They will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well" Mark 16:18 As you can see this is a scriptural ministry, but in recent times it appears to have been forgotten in the church in this country. Now the time is right as there have been several confirmations through scripture and from other reliable authorities. At this point it must be stressed that this is through the Holy Spirit and the power of the name of Jesus.

I am not a "healer", just using what the Lord has given me as a gift for his power and glory. Secondly healing is not just for physical conditions. It can be for emotional needs, it can also be by proxy for people we are concerned about. It also does not just apply to people, it can be for buildings.

There are some geographical areas that can also need healing, this applies to the Parish of Worle and we need to keep on praying until breakthrough occurs. When it comes we will know! God's healing is nothing to be afraid of. He loves to heal, however there are times when he doesn't appear to. We are to expect the unexpected and rely totally on God's will.

Our next Prayer Ministry time is on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May after the 10.30am after the service.

**Emma Amyes** 

### From the Registers





### **Baptisms in St Martin's**

2 April Jacob James Rees23 April Finley James Green

### **Baptisms in St Mark's**

2 April Tyrece Alfie Jamie Stone Jamie Aaron Stone



### **Funerals in March**

Sheila Fuller aged 89 Nancy Stevenson aged 68 Jacqueline Balchin aged 78



### **May Prayer**

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 are happy, when the sun shines on your day. And when you're sad or lonely, He is just a thought away.



## **USEFUL LOCAL DETAILS**

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### **WORLE PARISH - ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

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Parish Administrator Liz Winter

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Tel: 515922

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

Evening 7-8pm (by appointment only)

Church Schools St. Mark's Primary School, a Bath & Wells Academy...... Tel: 513008

St. Martin's Primary C of E (V.C.) Primary School......Tel: 628651 St. Georges Church School, a Bath & Wells Academy.....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 MorningSocial Events.....Diane Swatton 513111Bellringers.....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