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Mission Statement:

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

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From the Bishop....

In a magazine recently I read about a distance learning course being offered by St. John's College in Nottingham specifically for Church Administrators. It combines study alongside working, takes about 18 months, and leads to a Certificate in Christian Studies. Those who have completed the course speak of how not only has it transformed their way of working, but how it changed the way others within the church perceived them and the work that they do. I found that really encouraging.



All churches are dependent on the skills, gifts and talents of church members offering their time and expertise to help build up the Church. Valuing, appreciating and developing those God-given gifts is so important. When Paul wrote to the Church at Corinth he said; 'Now to each one has been given the Spirit's gifts for the good of all.' (1 Corinthians Chapter 12) He then goes on to give examples of those gifts. He mentions prophecy and healing, preaching and teaching, leadership and tongues and many others. But tucked away in that list of gifts and ministries we read that God has appointed people with the ability 'to help others and those with gifts of administration'. Administrators are mentioned in the same list as apostles, miracle workers and prophets.

Although as anyone who has ever been involved in Church work knows administrators often are 'miracle workers' ensuring that all the necessary administrative tasks of the church are done efficiently and effectively. The word Paul uses for 'administrator' is the same word that is used for a pilot of a ship, whose task it is to steer the ship safely through the rocks and the shoals to the harbour. Administrators seldom stand in the limelight, they work in the background and shoulder the routine but essential work on which everything else depends.

We don't always know who counts the collection, produces the service sheets, takes the minutes, or staples the church magazine together. But God knows and without all those people the mission of the church would not go forward as it does. Hurrah for administrators.

**The Right Reverend Peter Hancock
Bishop of Bath and Wells**

WHAT'S ON IN AUGUST

Saturday 12 10am Coffee Morning in aid of Angel Festival at Ebdon Bow
Monday 14 7.30pm Parish Prayer at St Martin's Church,
Wednesday 23 7pm Sing Out Loud Concert Wick Church

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

Please note there will be no Holy Communion service on Wednesday 23 August.

Parish Page – Comings and Goings

Arrival of Rev Julie Fleming

Rev Julie will be instituted and inducted as the Team Rector of Worle Parish on Saturday 9 September at 4pm by the Bishop of Taunton, Ruth Worsley. Everyone is warmly welcome to join us and to stay on for refreshments following the service. Over the summer, Julie and husband Paul have been busily painting the Rectory on Church Road where members of the churches popped in to lend a hand or provide cake. We are so excited about Julie joining us and God's plans for the future of our parish.

Departure of Rev Anne Farmer

At the end of September, Rev Anne will be leaving the parish for a new appointment as Vicar of St Paul's Church, East Molesey, in London. Her last services in Worle will be on 24 September. In an announcement to the churches Anne wrote, "I know some may find the timing of my departure, so close to the arrival of our new Team Rector, rather confusing, but I have felt God nudging me to move on for quite some time. In September I will have been in Worle and Wick St Lawrence for eight years, it has been a fantastic time, ministering to great people and working with a fabulous team. Yet as clear as my call was to Worle in 2009 so is this call to London." Rev Anne has been in contact with Rev Julie consulting on future services and plans and there will also be an overlap in September allowing for a smooth transition.

New Archdeacon of Bath

It was announced on Monday 24 July by the Bishop of Bath and Wells that the Revd Dr Adrian Youings is to be the next Archdeacon of Bath. Adrian will be known to many as the Rector of Trull and Angersleigh in Taunton. We are asked to hold Adrian and his wife Fran and their family in our prayers in the coming months of transition from that role to the significant responsibilities of an Archdeacon. In the meantime, much gratitude is expressed to the Revd Chris Hare, who is Acting Archdeacon of Bath until Adrian's licensing in the autumn.

Parish Office

Owing to knee surgery, our Parish Administrator Liz Winter will be out of action for eight weeks from mid August. During this time there will be some variation in parish office opening times as volunteers and clergy take on extra duties. We are sorry for any inconvenience this will cause and ask for your patience and understanding. Please pray for Liz for a successful operation.

Parish Prayer

Please join us to pray for our churches and the parish.....

Monday 14 August St Martin's, 7.30 – 8.30pm

St Lawrence Church, Wick St Lawrence



Build your life on firm foundations.



At our All Age Service in July we learnt about the importance of growing our faith on firm foundations through the story of the wise and foolish builder in Matthew's gospel 7:24-27. This was demonstrated outside on a grassy patch of the graveyard.

Some of the children built a sandy hill and then placed a wooden bird house on the top. Using a full watering

can for rain and children's puff (unusually there was no real wind, a rare occurrence in Wick St Lawrence) we demonstrated that after a bit of wind and rain the house on the sand fell down! Then we took a firm piece of slate rock and placed the wooden house on that. No amount of puff and watering-can rain would dislodge that house which stood on its firm foundations. This is how Jesus reminds us that if we build our lives on his firm foundations: love, prayer, forgiveness, studying his word and meeting regularly to worship him together, we will be in a far better state to manage the tough times when they come and stand firm in his love. A challenge for us all.

Summer Events in Wick St Lawrence



Saturday 12 August 10am – 12.30pm, Coffee Morning at Ebdon Bow, Wick St. Lawrence, to raise money for our 'Angel Festival' in December. Come and find out more about this special event. There will be a 'Bring and Buy' stall and small raffle.

Wednesday 23 August 7pm – 'Sing Out Loud' Concert at St. Lawrence Church '**SUMMER SONGS & SING-SONGS.**' Come and join us for an entertaining evening. Entrance is free; a retiring collection will be taken in aid of St. Lawrence Church Angel Festival.

Then and Now: : Church Road down the Years



The road we now know as Church Road has been variously named Bristol Road, Upper Bristol Road and Church Lane before Church Road came into being.

In the early days of the village of Worle this lane was the only way to reach the fishing village at Weston [super-Mare]. People travelling from Bristol, for business or pleasure used this route to travel by horse drawn vehicles to the growing seaside resort and the inhabitants of Weston came along this narrow lane to collect goods from Spinner's Stores – later Gunning's Stores - at the top of The Scores. [top left] It was only when the lower levels were drained that the Weston to Worle Turnpike Road could be built, in 1841, to join the east end of Locking Road to what is now Worle High Street.

Until the 1960s, Church Road remained a narrow lane, where only one vehicle could travel at a time. Despite new bungalows and houses being built in the 1930s, the road kept its stone walls, hedges and wild verges. [top centre] The beginning of new building on the south side of the road sparked a new phase in the life of this ancient thoroughfare. Walls and hedges were cleared and the road became twice its former width. Many front gardens were halved in size by compulsory purchase of land.

In 1966, the road near St Martin's Church and the school became the focus of attention. The pasture land on the north side of the road had been sold for development, and a major effort to 'modernise' the flow of traffic ensued. In the picture, top right, we can still see the banks at the bottom of Hawthorn Hill in the process of being removed. Oddly, 50 years on, this faster, wider road has had its day and new 'traffic calming' measures have narrowed it back to its former proportions. I wonder how many people are thinking, 'I told you so'?

Raye Green www.worlehistorysociety.net

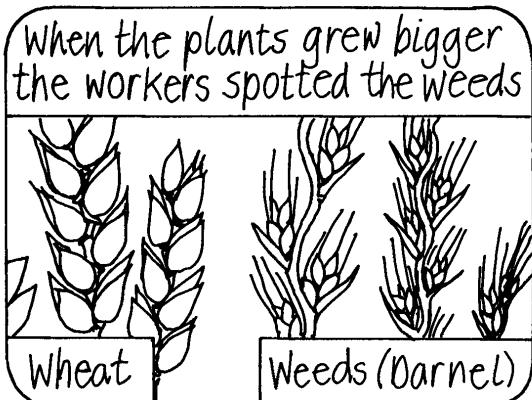


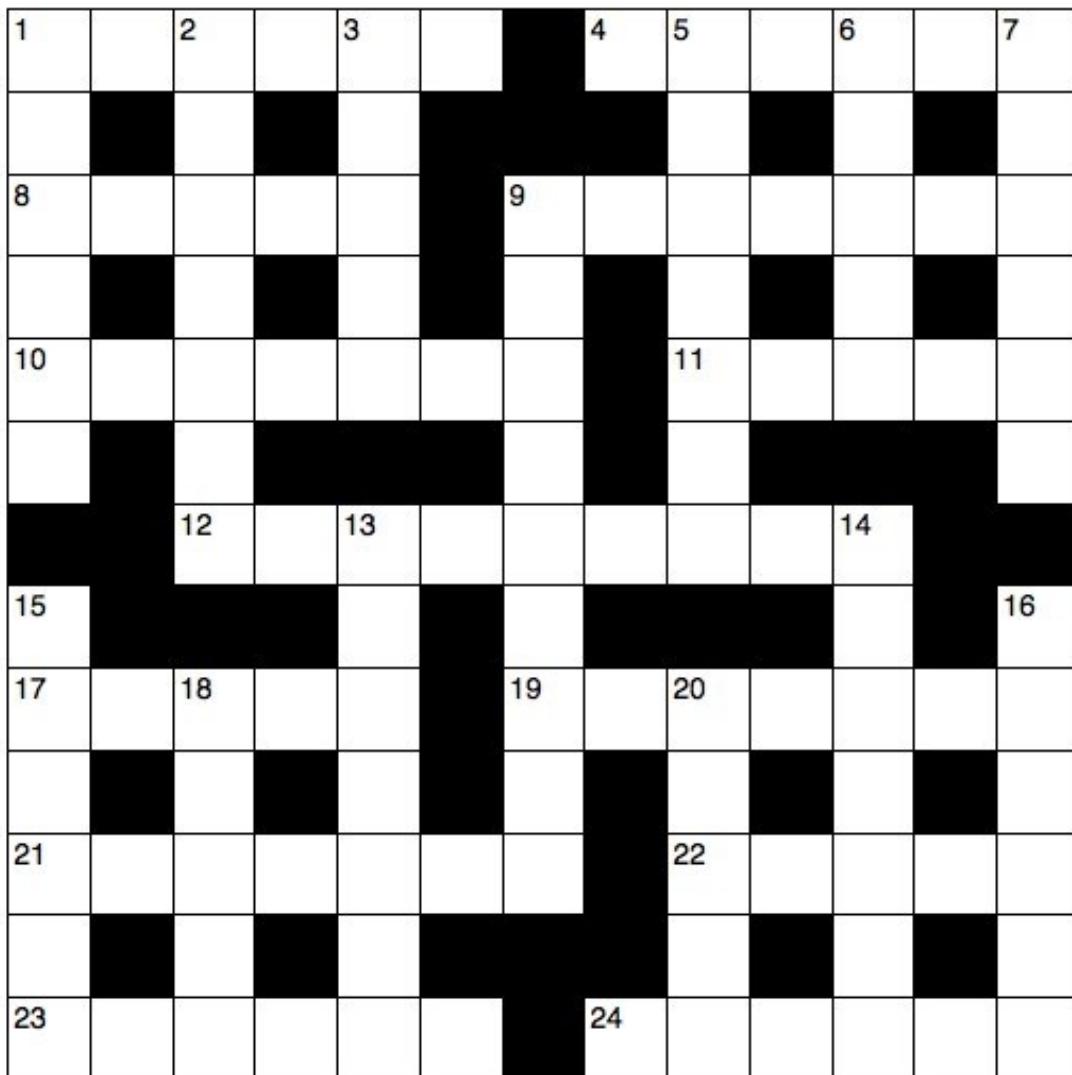
Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Matthew chapter 13:24-30, 36-43

Jesus told this story to help explain
what his Kingdom, the Kingdom of
Heaven, is like...





- 1 'The people were — at his teaching'
(Mark 1:22) (6)
- 4 'He saved —; let him save himself'
(Luke 23:35) (6)
- 8 He addressed the crowd in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:14) (5)
- 9 Father of James and John (Matthew 4:21) (7)
- 10 One who charges another with an offence
(Job 31:35) (7)
- 11 ' — thy ministers with righteousness' (Book of Common Prayer) (5)
- 12 and 15 Down 'All — is God-breathed and is — for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness' (2 Timothy 3:16) (9,6)
- 17 'No — of the field had yet appeared on the earth and no plant of the field had yet sprung up' (Genesis 2:5) (5)
- 19 Made to feel embarrassed (Isaiah 24:23) (7)
- 21 This man built his house on sand (Matthew 7:26) (7)
- 22 David's hypocritical message to Joab on the death in battle of Uriah: 'Don't let this — you' (2 Samuel 11:25) (5)
- 23 Detest (Job 10:1) (6)
- 24 'God made two great lights, the greater light to govern the day and the — light to govern the night' (Genesis 1:16) (6)

- 1 To make a serious request (1 Corinthians 1:10) (6)
- 2 Launches an assault against (Genesis 32:8) (7)
- 3 'The wicked man — deceptive wages'
(Proverbs 11:18) (5)
- 5 Tuba ale (anag.) (7)
- 6 'The day thou gavest, Lord, is — ' (5)
- 7 Old Testament measure of weight, equivalent to about 12 grammes (Exodus 30:13) (6)
- 9 Where Elijah restored life to the son of a widow with whom he lodged (1 Kings 17:10) (9)
- 13 Paul said of whatever was to his profit, 'I consider them — , that I may gain Christ and be found in him' (Philippians 3:8) (7)
- 14 City visited by Paul, described by the city clerk as 'the guardian of the temple of the great Artemis' (Acts 19:35) (7)
- 15 See 12 Across
- 16 Rioted (anag.) (6)
- 18 She had a surprise when she answered the door and found 8 Across outside (Acts 12:13) (5)
- 20 Maltreat (1 Chronicles 10:4) (5)

Katy Farmer writes about her volunteering experience in Nepal



I have recently returned from international citizen service (ICS) working with a charity called 'Restless Development.' Thank you so much to everyone who has supported me on my journey to Nepal, through prayer, encouragement and financial donations and then coming to my recent presentation at St Martin's church about my trip. It really was a fantastic three months spent as a volunteer. I became very close to the Nepal family with whom I lived, particularly their three daughters aged 10, 13 and 18. Living was an experience vastly different from the UK, we sat on the floor to eat, used our hands as cutlery and washed in the nearby river, whilst monkeys climbed in the trees around us!

The family home had been severely damaged in the 2015 earthquake and the family lived in a small bamboo construction with an earth floor whilst a new house was being rebuilt by the father. Shortly before I left Nepal, one of the bedrooms in the new house had been completed, and Sinita, the 10 year old daughter, squealed with delight when she was shown her room.

Our work was to deliver 'life skills', working with Nepali volunteers. Education in Nepal is very basic and Restless Development wanted us to encourage and engage the young people in various sessions and extracurricular activities. We set up a drama club, held a careers event, a community clear up day and an inter community football competition, whilst in turn the children started to organise their own events for the school, a dance competition, debate competition and street drama. It was so encouraging to see how engaged the young people became. Many might have educational aspirations but they can rarely be met, but Restless Development wanted to offer them opportunities. We taught basic business skills workshops teaching them how best to manage finances as they would be given small budgets from Restless Development, once we had left, in order to continue events for the school children.

Nepal is the 19th poorest country in the world and the community in which I lived had so little. The children didn't have any toys, but they were very inventive about play and one little boy spent a lot of time playing with a blow up globe which I had brought with me. Despite this they were an incredibly happy, content and optimistic people who made the most of what they had and lived for the moment. This was such a brilliant attitude which I am trying to take to heart back in Britain.



Three Peaks Challenge – Completed!

Well, we did it - in 29 hours and 15 minutes! We started

Ben Nevis at 6.40pm on Friday and came down at around 12am, then started Scafell around 8am and finally started Snowdon at 7pm on Saturday, coming down at midnight. It was pretty hairy at times - coming down in the dark and wet at minus 2 or 3 degrees - but brilliant though.

Thank you very much for all your support. It was very enjoyable (except the pain and fatigue!) and exciting. We drove a total of 1186 miles shared between four of us. On the team were:

Gareth Back

Ben Matthews

Jack Davis

Steve Dews

Chris Elms

From a personal point of view, it was a real privilege and honour to take on the challenge with such great people. We worked well as a team and looked out for each other all the way.

We are all tired and aching but it was worth it, as you can see from our faces in the photo from the Weston Mercury!



The final total hasn't yet been calculated but it is in the region of £2,200 which, when we subtract the costs of the challenge (around £440), should leave us with around £1,800 to be split equally between the St Mark's School and the church!

The school children at St Mark's Primary School got involved too! Each child took part in their own Three Peaks Challenge by completed as many circuits of an obstacle course as they could in 24 minutes – raising money from sponsorship in the process.

Again - thank you so much to everyone who has been involved and supported us. The school plan to install a climbing wall in the Keystage 2 playground, and the church needs a new roof to keep all the various users of the building dry when it rains!

With best wishes, Chris Elms

St Martin's Church



Last month we wrote about the research undertaken by Worle History Society on the 43 memorials tablets and windows in St Martin's school, and described the background to the Battiscombe window. This month we concentrate on **Frances Selina Baker Witchell** who is remembered in the window of 'The Last Supper' on the wall behind the pulpit erected by the Hewlett family of Worle. Frances was born in Gloucestershire in 1806, married in Stroud and lived in Bristol where five children were born and where sadly her husband died. Following this the 1851 census records Frances running a lodging house in Weston Super Mare with her daughters. By 1861 she was living with daughter Anna who was married to George Hewlett of Preanes Green. In 1869 Frances married again to William Witchell who had possibly been a guest at some time in the boarding house. Frances outlived her husband but died herself in 1897 leaving £3,600 to her daughters a good sum of money for those days.

Phil Collins, Vicar of St Martin's. At the back of the church is the Vicar's board, listing incumbents dating back to the 1200s. Between 1543 and 1582 Phil Collins is recorded as the Vicar of Worle during the time when icons, statues of saints and wall paintings had to be removed, including in St Martin's, following the first Act of Uniformity. In the same year the first Book of Common Prayer was introduced which altered the church services from Latin to English. With all these changes Rev Collins still had the stamina to remain in office for 40 years! We look forward to adding the first woman Rector of Worle to this list.

Toddler Graduation

On 11 July we said goodbye to five of our children leaving the group, one to pre-school and four off to school. Jasmine, Katy, Amelia and Lilly have all been coming to Toddlers since they were small babies. Wearing little white graduation gowns and cardboard mortar boards, made by Grace Rubery many years ago, they received their 'leaving certificate,' enjoyed soft play with the younger children and a celebration party 'brunch.' Thank you for all the help and support we get in the group and church organising refreshments, reading stories, leading singing and tidying up the toys. Baby and Toddler Group resumes on Tuesday 12 September.

Mead Vale Church



On Sunday 9th July, we had a Church Family Breakfast. Penny, Steve and Jenny, cooked a delicious selection of food for us all to enjoy and a good time of fun and fellowship was had by all. Yvonne then spoke to us about “obsessions” during our family service afterwards which was very thought provoking! We look forward to our next breakfast for Harvest on 1st October.

On Sunday 23rd July COSMIC had a Café style session together, with breakfast and fellowship and discussion and followed with fun and games including a water fight which was great fun for all who took part. We thank God for our COSMIC leaders and helpers who work so hard for our children in COSMIC and they now have a well deserved break during August and our children join us for our Sunday worship times. COSMIC will start up again on Sunday 3rd September. During the holidays on Saturday 2nd September we are all looking forward to going for a trip to Noah’s Ark, to spend some quality time together.

We have no Coffee Morning in August but look forward to our next one on Saturday 9th September, 10am – 11.30am in the Church Centre. Please note there is no coffee morning on the 3rd Saturday this month, it is on the 2nd Saturday. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship.

At the end of the summer Stuart Pascoe, will be stepping down from operating the Sound System at Mead Vale which he has been doing faithfully at Mead Vale Church for approximately 9 years!! We are hugely grateful to Stuart for his commitment to this role and pleased to announce that Liz Winter has kindly offered to help Mike Record in this role from September.

Rev Emma Amyes

From the Registers



Baptisms in St Martin's

2 July	Frazer Paul Geoffrey Scott
	Lewis James Johnson
23 July	Raegan Jane Evans
30 July	Elsie Kimberley Harding

Baptism in Wick St Lawrence Church

16 July	Zachary Martin Coast
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Wedding in St Martin's
Luke Paul Wilson to Victoria Kate Rackliff

Wedding in St Lawrence
Perry Newman to Clair Louise Filer

Funeral in June
Derek Richard Mead aged 70



August Prayer

Lord, Grant us each day,
time to listen to you
in our prayers
and in the voices of
those around us
so that we may know your will
and walk in your way.
Through Christ our Lord

Amen



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
Doctors Surgeries	
Dr M Jenkins & 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
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 From 1 March 2017: Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat and Sun 9.00am - 4.00pm Tues and Thurs 10.00am - 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
Guide contact numbers	
Worle District: Ann MacDonald.....	642053
Moira Wilmot.....	521980
Milton District: Liz Griffiths	624366
Priory District: Andrea Drury.....	515208
Sue Cox.....	515913
Scout & Cub contact numbers for Worle and Wick St Lawrence	
1st North Worle - Carol Pepper.....	511459
2nd Worle - Marion Hillcock.....	521021
District Secretary- Ann Coombes.....	513699
1st Wick St Lawrence Beavers, Cubs and Scouts - Mick Harley.....	520012

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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)

The Parish Office 515922 (Liz Winter)

Lettings.....

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

Paul Tomlinson 515853

Bellringers

Elizabeth Glen 832283 (Youth) Jaqueline Hockley 520956 (Adult)

Choir

Sunday morning groups for children and young people. Contact Revd. Anne Farmer 515610

Sunday Club & Sunday Youth Gang