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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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Exploring Faith

As I write this I am home alone whilst my husband, Howard, is sailing around the coast of Britain in the footsteps (or should that be the wake?) of the Celtic Saints. He is immersing himself in how the story of Jesus was brought to Britain all those years ago and taking the opportunity to see how life is lived in those coastal communities today. He is sharing in conversations about what faith in Jesus means for us in 2018.



My travels are rather more local than Howard's but I encounter the same desire to see what it means to be a Christian in Britain today. One of the themes that often emerges is that people want to become more confident in their own faith before they try to share that faith with others.

I am saddened by the suggestion that one legacy of centuries of clericalism is that lay people do not believe themselves to be 'authorised to communicate their faith.' Lay people are already living out their faith in their churches and communities—without that, the church wouldn't exist! But many of us (and this is true for people who are ordained as well as lay people) are not confident and want to know more and understand our faith better. It's wonderful to know that so many of our churches have home groups, Bible studies and other activities to help, but I also want to commend two courses that the diocese offers and which have new sessions beginning in September. They both have exploring in their title – for good reason: even though this exploring is more armchair than coastal adventure.

Exploring Christianity is for those wanting to learn more about the Christian faith and the Bible and past attendees have found it has really enriched their understanding of their faith and given them greater confidence. *Exploring Spirituality* is more experiential and focuses on different ways of prayer, allowing people to connect with God using a range of Christian traditions, many of which even those who have been church goers for decades, may be surprised to discover.

It maybe that one of these courses is just what you are looking for, or maybe you can think of someone in your church who you could encourage to set sail. We cannot promise a smooth voyage but in the Bible we have an amazing guidebook and in prayer a solid compass to help you along the way.

The Right Reverend Ruth Worsley
Bishop of Taunton

You can find out more about the courses Bishop Ruth mentions at www.bathandwells.org.uk/lay-training or call Leonie Jones on 01749 685 106.



INTERNATIONAL PASSION

FIFA WORLD CUP
RUSSIA 2018

As I write this article, the World Cup is in full swing. The group stages of the competition are almost complete.

There have been surprises and dramas! Some countries are heading home, having not qualified for the next stages. As the magazine goes to print, it will be clear who the winners of each group are and who will be playing who in the knock out stages.

Whatever your thoughts on football are, you cannot help but notice how passionate people are getting about the competition, about their country! People who don't normally watch football are excited! (Not everyone, I realise!)

The competition has an international flavour and whilst troubles around the world continue, it's as if on the media stage, those things have gone to the side-lines. People are singing, dancing and celebrate as teams win. We also have seen tears and expressions of devastation as teams are knocked out of the competition.

As I witness the dramas, there are a few things which cause me to think.

- Wouldn't it be great if we could lay down international grievances and work together, celebrating life and unity as nations?
- Wouldn't it be wonderful if we were able to celebrate and be passionate about things that really matter in life – family, community, love?
- Wouldn't it be world changing if we all lived in the love which God and shared that love radically, sacrificially and passionately?

Whatever you are doing or celebrating this summer I pray that God's love will overshadow you and it will become contagious in you!

***"God so loved the WORLD that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him will not die, but have eternal life."
John 3:16***

WHAT'S ON IN JULY/AUGUST

Sunday 1		Jazz Picnic at Wick St Lawrence
Saturday 7	10.00am	Sanctuary Morning at Wick St Lawrence
	7.00pm	Prayer and Praise on the Hill at Uphill
Sunday 15	10.00am	Wendy Ray from Hands of compassion at St Martin's
Thursday 19	10.00am	Bishop Derek from Zambia at St Martin's for Holy Communion Service
Saturday 21	10.00am	Mead Vale Coffee Morning in Community Hall

Community Café Wednesdays 2.30 - 4.30pm at St Martin's Church (Term Time)
St Mark's Community Café Tuesdays 2.30-4.30pm

'Thrive' Parish of Worle Youth Group meets at St Mark's Church 7pm contact
 Rev Chris Elms or Rev Emma Amyes for dates

SERVICE TIMES ON SUNDAYS

For weekly variations please go to the parish website www.worleworld.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
 10am Holy Communion
 (Morning Praise
 every 2nd Sunday)

6pm Healing Service (1st)
 Fifth Sunday Service (5th)

Mead Vale

10.30am
 with Holy Communion celebrated
 alternate weeks

6pm Evening Prayer (2nd)
 6pm Pub Presence (4th)
 (The Nightjar Pub)

St Mark's

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

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

Dear Worle-Wide Parishioners,

Just an update to thank you all in the Worle Wide parish for the wonderful support and prayer, which you have given me during my first year of training for Ordination. It has made all the difference to know that I have such a loving and caring church family walking by my side.



During the past year, once a month I have been attending for a long weekend of study at Sarum College in Salisbury, and have weekly on-line tutorials. I also have a Local Learning Group and a training minister Rev Dr Gilly. There are 21 other first year Ordinands at Sarum College, from Diocese all over England, of those there are 8 of us from the Diocese of Bath and Wells.

During training we learn about leading various types of service ranging from traditional Sunday worship, evensong, morning and evening prayer through to Celtic and many other types of prayer service. Alongside this we have academic study units. For each unit we are required to write two assignments, one essay based and the other one more practical/research based. This year I have studied: - "Mission and Evangelism", "Human Identity", "Doctrine and History", "Understanding the Bible

"Integrative Practice"(Group work), and "Placement Learning Experience" .

I have just finished a placement in Locking Castle Church to learn how worship, ministry and mission are carried out in a different context to my home church of St Martins.

Thank you for all the generous support and encouragement I have been given by Worle parishioners and clergy, in taking part in my training; by answering my countless questions, giving interviews, wise advice, endless patience, and kindly listening to my stumbling efforts.

I feel very grateful to have had a challenging and yet wonderful first year, and long for the time to come when I can give some of this training back. Now as I enter my second year of training, which will be preparing me for Ordination in Wells Cathedral, next year 2019, Peter-tide, I ask that you kindly continue to keep me in your prayers and please do know that you too will be in held in my thoughts and prayers.

Margaret.

Grief Café Space @ St. Martin's

On Wednesday 25 July 2.30pm-4pm, during the summer holiday, St Martin's will be offering a Safe Space at our "Grief Café" for anyone who is experiencing bereavement. This may be very recent or an experience from a number of years ago.

All will be very welcome to come to think and talk about anything frightening you or worrying you about grief and grieving.



When someone we know has died, it can leave us in turmoil and denial, we may feel deeply sad, lonely, afraid, angry, or we may experience relief, release and many other puzzling or upsetting feelings.

Sometimes it is good to just be in a Safe Space, enjoy a cup of tea and speak or think through those very human fears and feelings.

We will meet for 1 hour 45 minutes. You will receive a welcoming soft drink and biscuits. There will be a short explanation of how the "Grief Café" will run and then an opportunity to sit in small groups of 3 to 4 people and talk in total non-judgemental safety and confidence using some straightforward and helpful conversation starters.

It is hoped that by the end you will have had the opportunity to voice your fears and concerns and been affirmed and supported in a totally confidential Safe Space of the "Grief Café".

You will be feeling comforted and know that you are not in isolation but have others who care and are walking that hard path of bereavement by your side.

We look forward to welcoming you.





Bishop Derek and Evelyn. We are very excited to be welcoming Bishop Derek and his wife Evelyn from Zambia to St Martin's on **Thursday 19 July**, where he will be preaching at a special communion service at 10am. All are welcome to come along and meet Bishop Derek and Evelyn and have a chat with them during refreshments after the service.

Following the service, they will be going along to St George's School in our parish to meet the children and share in an assembly.

Wendy Ray will be coming to St Martin's on **Sunday 15 July** at the 10am service to talk about her work with orphans in **Zambia**. Come along and hear her stories and testimony of God's work in this place.

Grief Café, will replace the community café during the summer holidays between 2.30 and 4pm. Please read the article regarding this.

NEW SERVICE AT ST MARTIN'S

Following a meeting of a worship working group at St Martin's, we will be introducing a new informal contemporary service on Sunday mornings in the Autumn, with the two existing morning services remaining in their present format. This is to encourage families and new people to church. Please pray for this initiative, that God's kingdom will come.

PARISH NEWS



Sydney Ewings will be arriving in August to serve Worle Parish under the Time For God volunteer scheme.

She comes from Pennsylvania, USA and has just finished studying early childhood education at university and is excited about joining Worle Parish for the year to work with children and young people. Please pray for her as she prepares to make this big move.

Healing Service - The Parish Healing Service began with an encouraging time in June and we continue to meet as a parish on the first Sunday evening at St Martin's to pray for healing and to meet with God in a powerful way.

Summer healing services are **Sunday 1 July and Sunday 5 August 6pm**. Why not bring someone with you?

Prayer and Praise on the hill - Saturday 7 July 7pm Uphill

An open air celebration with worship and Prayer for Weston Super Mare and surrounding area. Free lifts from boatyard car park to top of hill.

"Parish Vacancy. - The parish are continuing to look at the way forward for the vacancy. The wardens of Wick St Lawrence are meeting with the Archdeacon on 9 July and we hope to have some news on the way forward after that. Please keep praying for future ministry and direction of the parish."

Emma worked with Oasis India back in the 90's which was a life changing time with her. One Tuesday evening in June, Emma welcomed a team from Oasis India to Mead Vale Church to talk about their on-going work in "anti-trafficking" and rehabilitating the lives of girls and women who have been trapped in the sex trade. Jessica Gunjal, from Mumbai, shared so honestly and openly and it was both inspiring and harrowing to hear about the work. But equally wonderful to hear how God uses Jessica and her team, to help these women come to know His love and freedom! We hope that Jessica will come back next year! I would encourage everyone to hear her!

On Saturday 16th June we handed out approximately 100 chocolate bars to "dads" in our community for Father's Day. We gathered in the Quadrangle by the shops and it was good to give a free gift to people and continue to let them know that there is a Church here in their community for them!

On what is a special day for a lot of people but also a difficult day for others! We invited children and their dads to "pot a plant" together, we provided all that they needed and this proved to be very popular with dads and children alike. We had Giant games for children's to play and refreshments were available inside our church. Again we had lots of great conversations with people and further "seeds were sown". We pray that God will continue to develop this outreach and people will continue to be blessed by it.

On Sunday 8th July, we will be welcoming Dave Hopwood to our Church. He will be speaking during our All-Age Service and then staying for our "bring and share lunch" to chat with people.

Dave visited us last year and was brilliant, we all really enjoyed his very funny and clever interpretation of the parable of the Lost Sheep! Dave is gifted in telling the Gospel through drama and mime and very engaging. Please do join us. In the afternoon, Dave will be spending time with our COSMIC leaders and helpers to give them ideas and resources for working with our children.

COSMIC (Children On Sunday Meeting In Church)

I would like to thank all our COSMIC leaders and helpers for the great work they do with our church family children at Mead Vale, week by week. They choose great topics/themes, they plan each session prayerfully, and thoughtfully and give our children great Bible teaching and lots of fun too, we are so blessed to have them! They will be having a well deserved break during the summer holidays and we will be having all-age services during the summer when the children will be joining us adults as we all worship together, let's welcome them and help them to continue to feel a part of our church family when they are with us.

No Coffee Morning in August

As so many people are away. Our next coffee mornings will be on Saturday 21st July and Saturday 15th September. From 10am – 11.30am in the Mead Vale Community Centre, please join us for a cuppa and a catch-up. All are welcome.

Peace and Quiet!

The opportunity to just sit, relax, think, work out a few problems, talk to God or just simply to Stop! We all crave it from time to time.

The quiet surroundings of St Lawrence Church in Wick offers the perfect opportunity to do just that. Our church is open during all daylight hours, and anyone is welcome to take advantage of the peace it offers at any time.

But why not come to our monthly **Sanctuary Mornings** on the first Saturday of each month? Between 10.00 and 12.30, the church is open as normal but there will be someone there to welcome you. Come along at any time during that time, help yourself to a cuppa and then enjoy the tranquillity for as long as you want and use the time as you wish.

We would love to see you at our next Sanctuary Morning on 7th July

By the time you are reading this we will have held our Open Gardens event. We hope that any of you that were able to come along enjoyed your visit and we thank you for your support. A special thank you goes to the 10 avid gardeners (and any of their friends who helped them) for working so hard to get the gardens ready for the event, without whom we could not have gone ahead.

Our Jazz Picnic is planned for Sunday 1 July and then we have a little break over the summer before embarking on our autumn and Christmas events. You may like to note in your diary:

We will be welcoming the **Joyful Spirit Gospel Choir** to our church on **Saturday 15 September** for an evening of uplifting music

Our Harvest Festival celebrations this year on **Sunday 30 September** will include a **Harvest Afternoon Tea**

Ladies (and Gents) are invited to join us at the Ebdon Arms on **Thursday 1 November** for our ever-popular **Ladies Night**. Regular and new stall-holders will be joining us for the evening.

On **Saturday 8 December**, accomplished harpist, Marie-France Riboulet will be enchanting us as she fills our church for the evening with enchanting **Harp Music**

St Mark's café

The cafe has made an excellent start and is now going strong each week.

It opens every week between 2.30 and 4.30pm.

It's a relaxed atmosphere to chat and meet friends.

There are hot drinks, cakes and biscuits.

- Craft activities each week.
- Bric a brac stall.

Every Tuesday between 2.30 & 4.30 - invite your neighbours and friends!

Arrange to meet a friend after the school run. We're in the rear extension hall, entrance off the car park.



School visit to church by Year 6 classes

Last month Rev Chris and the LINK team (a church team whose aim is to boost our relationship with the school) welcomed the two year groups from Year 6 for an act of worship.

The pupils have been looking at Big Questions in their RE classes, so the church service included an extended question and answer session where the kids could ask Chris any questions they wanted.

Parents and helpers were also present, and it was a very interesting and stimulating time.

With love, Chris
01934 515 438 or email - chriselms1@gmail.com

SUMMER QUESTIONS OF FAITH

Have you ever noticed that things often shut down locally in the summer holidays in Church?

Well this year we've decided to put on something special on Tuesday evenings!

Come and join others thinking about
Sharing faith naturally in relationship.

EMPOWERED!

A DVD based series showing Rebecca Pippert
PARISH OF WORLE
Tuesdays St Mark's starting 31st July 7pm

We will start with refreshments at 7pm, then Rebecca Pippert will introduce the evening for us on DVD.
We will then have a Bible study, followed by a talk by Rebecca.

Topics will be as follows -
INADEQUACY IS COMPULSORY!

THE CROSS, THE MESS & THE MIRACE

FACING OUR FEARS

IT'S ALL ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS

CULTIVATION CURIOSITY

Come along and be encouraged as you get to grips with your faith!



From the Registers



Baptisms in St Martin's

3 June

Ruben Joshua Smith
Anna Victoria Smith



Baptisms in St Lawrence

17 June

Bella-Rose Gunn



Wedding in St Martin's

Michael Robert O'Sullivan to Kathryn Collins



Funerals in June

William Payne	aged 88
Malcolm Simpson	aged 79
Peter Margetts	aged 69
Victor Raymond Belcher	aged 93

July/August Prayer

Lord of these summer days,
show us the pattern of a world made new
a world where Your will is done
and all people accept each other
as brothers and sisters,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.



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:	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, Mendip Avenue.....	426090
Open: Mon, Tues 9.30am—5.00pm	
Wed Closed	
Thurs Closed	
Friday 9.30—5.00pm (10am first Friday in month)	
Saturday 9.30am—1.00pm	
Mobile Library Service.....	426020
Guide contact numbers	
Worle District:	Ann MacDonald.....642053
	Moir Wilmot.....521980
Milton District:	Liz Griffiths624366
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 Hillcok.....	521021
District Secretary- Ann Coombes.....	513699
1st Wick St Lawrence Beavers, Cubs and Scouts -	

WORLE PARISH - ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

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Parish Churchwardens:

Paul Elliott 513968

Parish Administrator: Liz Winter

Parish Office: Monday to Friday 9.00am-12 noon

Tel: 515922

Baptisms & Weddings - to book an appointment please contact the Parish Office:
1st Monday of the month 7.00pm - 8.00pm or
3rd Monday 9.30am to 10.30am

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

St Mark's Community Café Every Tuesday 2.30pm to 4.30pm

Young People during the week Rainbows: Wednesdays (Amy Maynard-Davis 07591319078)
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

Bellringers.....

Jim Lambard 514004

Sacristy.....

Communion, Servers, Vestments Joan Elliott 513968

Baby & Toddler Group..... Parish Office 515922

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

Group

Café @ St Martin's

Every Wednesday, in term time, 2.30pm to 4.30pm

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 morning groups for children and young people. Kath Kidd 520273