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St Mark's Church

Meadvale Church

Wick St Lawrence

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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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THE CHANGING SCENES OF LIFE!



The well known hymn talking about the changing scenes of life reminds us that we never stand still and that as Christians, we always hold on to the truth that God is with us through the valleys and on the mountain tops.

It has been both a mixture of sadness and expectation, for Paul and I as we have prepared ourselves to move on to pastures new.

We arrived in Worle in the summer of 2017, receiving a big welcome in the churches and the community. After two years of getting to know people and seeing the church stepping out in faith and welcoming new initiatives, Paul was led to take up a post as Operations Manager in the Keighley Parish, in Yorkshire. This inevitably means that I would need to be following him to relocate in Yorkshire.

We have been overwhelmed by people's kindness and encouragements, even though, the news was a surprise. We have seen God doing some wonderful things in the parish and know that he is in everything as we trust him for the future.

Paul and I will continue to pray for the parish of Worle after we have moved that God will bless and encourage this place and that his Kingdom will continue to come here.

Please come and join us in a farewell bash at St Marks on 1 September at 12.30 on Julie's last Sunday, when Paul will be joining us.

Blessings

Team Rector, Julie Fleming

St Martin's



TODDLER GROUP continues to meet on a Tuesday morning from 9am and welcomes all little ones with their parents/grandparents etc.! This group also closes for the summer, and re-opens on Tuesday 10 September.

PICNIC AND GAMES ON THE BEACH—For all the family!



Find us on beach near the central car park, where the bus terminates!

Parents are responsible for children's safety.

WEDS 10th AUG
2pm SAND BAY
bring a picnic!

St Mark's School

St Mark's is a large primary school with capacity for 436 children and we only have a few spaces still available! St Mark's chose to become part of the Bath and Wells Multi Academy Trust in September 2016. As a result of this, we work in close partnership with a number of other schools within the Trust, particularly schools within the North Somerset Hub. St Mark's School benefits from excellent facilities – outside we have three large playgrounds; outstanding outdoor provision for our youngest children; a beautiful peace garden and a large playing field with a friendship path around its perimeter. We have achieved the School Games Gold Award and the Space Education Quality Mark as well as being the only school to have achieved the Gold Young Carers' Award.

Our Christian ethos and values are central to the life at St Mark's School ensuring that everyone feels cared for and valued. Our core Christian values are hope, honesty, friendship, forgiveness and perseverance. Our values are at the core of everything we do. At St Mark's we celebrate the uniqueness of each child. Each week we reward the achievements of children within the school by presenting certificates and weekly star pupil trophies. Each term we award Reach For The Stars trophies where we celebrate with the children and their families, recognising the progress they have made and also recognising their engagement and motivation for learning. We also award a Paddington Bear to one child in the whole school community in memory of one of our gorgeous teachers who died of cancer. This is presented to a child who emulates the values that Mrs MacAulay held of being so positive and putting the needs of others first. We

have a team of dedicated staff who are fully committed to providing the best quality education for each and every child within a safe and caring environment. We have high aspirations for all children whilst on their learning journey with us laying firm foundations for their future lives.

We have recently had an Ofsted inspection which recognised the good quality of education in the school, "Pupils are diligent in their work and proud of their school. They work particularly well together and share ideas respectfully".

As summed up by two of our pupils recently, "St Mark's is a family of friends" and "St Marks is like a show where everybody has a part to play".

Mrs Bath

Head Teacher at St Mark's



St Martin's Organ since 1660s

Many visitors and school children ask about the history of the organ here at St Martins, and we hope the readers of the magazine will enjoy this short history.

Before the 1860s there 'was no organ in St Martin's Church. Music for the services was provided by village instrumentalists of questionable ability from a minstrels' gallery which was pulled down in the 1870 restoration.

The minstrels' gallery must have been erected in the late 18th century because in the Vestry Meeting minutes book for 9 May. 1788. is the following entry: "At a vestry meeting held at our church this day resolved that two acres of church land belonging to this parish be sold by public auction. The money arising from this sale (£39) be applied to the purpose of erecting a gallery in our church." (signed John Price (curate) and 15 other signatures)

And it was from this gallery that instrumentalists played the music of the services until sometime in the 1860s when the church had its first organ.

The organ, originally built in Frankfurt am Main. Germany, in 1662, was for many years used in a Unitarian Chapel in Blackburn before it was brought to Worle.

There is no record of the precise date when the organ came to St Martin's but it was probably in the early 1860s when it was installed in the minstrels' gallery with its back to the bell tower.

Following the 1870 restoration, with the gallery no longer in existence, the organ was temporarily located in the new vestry area. But it was in an extremely poor condition - badly out of tune and the action constantly failing.

With the church newly restored the vicar and churchwardens decided it was time to repair the organ, and on 11 July, 1876, W.O. Vowles, organ manufacturer in St James's Square, Bristol, submitted the following estimate: "To remove organ in your church.

turn it round to face the chancel, repair the pipes, re-leather the pallets of the great organ sound board, voice and tune the pipes, regulate the action work, leaving the instrument in good working order will be £35.

"To add a new set of pedals concave and radiating 2.5 octaves (30 notes), and to make all new action work, coupler and extra pipes to complete the compass - £16.

"And to add new stops on the great organ viz Dulciana £15, and Flute £10. Making a total of £76."

Work was put in hand and the organ was repositioned to the site where it stands today.

In 1957 Percy Daniel, organ builder of Clevedon, rebuilt the organ and added a new console for £1.515 plus an extra £11.75 for the glass-door console covers.

Apart from pipework, the only original part of the 1662 organ that remains is the front casing. During a weekend in 1971, when the church was being decorated, Daniels temporarily removed the pipes in order that the front casing could be painted in the colours as we see it today.

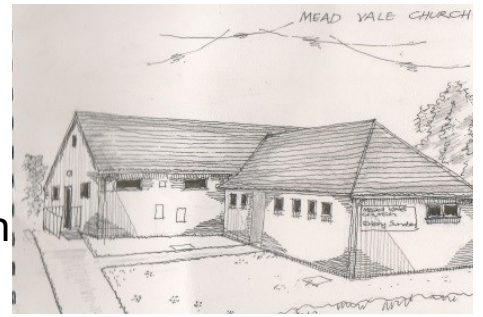
Many of us enjoy hearing the organ played by our organist, Richard Lennox, at our services. We are sure that he will be happy to discuss any finer points regarding the organ that you may have.



Mead Vale Church

Mead Vale Church had it's last morning service on Sunday 2 June and will be having a Service of Thanksgiving on Sunday 7 July at 6pm at the

Church, which meets in the Mead Vale Community Centre to celebrate the life of the Church and God's faithfulness to us through the years.



At our last Parish Wide Church meeting (The WPCC) Rev Emma Amyes, the current Vicar of Mead Vale Church said the following:-

I have been Vicar of Mead Vale Church for the last 9 years the Church has been at Mead Vale for 40 years and when I came here, closing the Church was not something that I set out to do and it wasn't something that God laid on my heart for us at that time. Closing a church goes against the grain. But of course we are not closing a Church at Mead Vale, as in a church building because there is no church building we meet in a community centre which will continue to be a community centre. Mead Vale Church has always been about the people and the people of Mead Vale Church that God called me to be Vicar of are amazing Christian people and I have learnt so much from being their Vicar and a part of their family which is really how it has been, they have welcome and accepted me and my family with open arms and whilst I have come to teach them about God, they have taught us as a family so much about God's love and I personally want to say how thankful I am for each and every member of Mead Vale Church.

I think we have always had some real challenges that other church families perhaps have not had, not being able to do weddings, or funerals has meant that we have not had people coming into the building naturally and then wanting to come back at other special times in their lives. We have good links with Mead Vale School but when RS comes up in the lessons, they want to visit an actual Church and not a community centre.

But we have been able to do baptisms and these have been wonderful opportunities to invite people into our Church family and they have nearly all commented, about the welcome, the presence of God which they somehow thought you would only get in a building! But actually they found in the people of Mead Vale Church.

Over the last 5 years we have been doing an outreach in the community at special times in the year, for Christmas, Easter, Father's Day, Mother's Day, and Harvest where we have been outside the church handing out gifts and connecting with people and whilst they have been blessed and encouraged, and we have had some special conversations, people have not joined us on a Sunday. And this has been hard for us.

And this is what makes it very hard to "close" and I have to say that the current leadership team.

The only one I have known, could not have worked harder and have been a wonderful example of commitment to serving God and they can be very proud of themselves and the way in which they have responded to God making this clear to us. And I personally want to thank them for their hard work and loyal commitment to serving God at Mead Vale Church.

But God has made it clear that we need to close and we have been encouraged by many passages in the Bible that have affirmed that. Ecclesiastes 3 has been a real encouragement to us just over the last week "there is a time for everything" .

I have been reminded over the last week that we are Easter People and we trust and believe that whilst we feel like it is Good Friday today and we are struggling because something very special is over,

because we believe and trust in Jesus who we know died but then rose again 3 days later. We know that something good will come from this for each and every member of Mead Vale Church and that is my prayer for them that they will know God has gone before them and chosen them for such a time as this, as it says in Esther and that He has good plans in store for them, plans to prosper them and not to harm them! Jeremiah 29 v 11.

Thank you to everyone who has supported Mead Vale Church throughout the years and you are welcome to join us on the 7 July at 6pm at Mead Vale Community Centre to celebrate with us.

Rev Emma Amyes

On Sunday 7 July, we had a final Thanksgiving Service for the life of Mead Vale Church, to mark it closing. Over 80 people came to support us at this important and special service. We sang our favourite Mead Vale songs and hymns, we praised and thanked God for his goodness to us in many ways as Church over the last 39 years. Emma thanked all the children for their commitment to COSMIC (Children on Sunday meeting in Church) and for all they have meant to us as a Church. They shared their memories of Mead Vale with us all and it was very special. On Saturday 13 July, all the children and their families are going for a day out to Noah's Ark Zoo Farm, which we are all looking forward too. Jayne led a super prayer to encourage us to be "bound together" and handed out a ball of wool which



connected us all as we brought to mind our own memories of Mead Vale Church as adults, a very good and poignant thing to do. Emma also wanted to thank her Leadership Team who have worked very hard, particularly over recent weeks preparing for the closure:- Greg, Jayne, Becky, Ralph and José, they read prayers of thanksgiving on our behalf. Julie Fleming reminded us from Deuteronomy 7: 9 “Know therefore that the Lord your God IS God, He is the faithful God” what a



good and timely reminder for us and this fitted in very well with Emma's sermon about Abraham who was a man of faith and trusted in God's promises come what may. We were reminded as we leave Mead Vale Church and God leads us to whatever He has in store for us next, to trust in Him and His promises like Abraham did. God always keeps His promises! It was wonderful after the

service to have fellowship together, whilst eating delicious cakes and drinking coffee. Thank you to everyone who helped to get the Church and refreshments ready for this service and to everyone who came to support us! We praise Him for his goodness and trust in Him for the future!

Emma



St Lawrence Church

The rain is pouring as I write this and I think back to my first Easter at St Lawrence Church when the sun was shining and it certainly was a lot warmer than it is today! We had a wonderful time at the Church and thought about “the stone” which was rolled away from the entrance to the tomb and shows us that Jesus was not there because “He had risen”! Rebecca, Oliver and Bez did an Easter egg hunt outside the church with many eggs! Which were needed as we had lots of children with us. We thank God for good times worship, fellowship and fun with our Church family!



The Church was full for our Swing out Loud Concert in May, thank you to Liz Glenn and her singers for providing such a lovely evening of fun and entertainment - a wonderful reminder that God wants to bless us with the fun and joy of singing!

We also had a lovely afternoon listening to Marie-France Riboulet play the harp, with a lovely afternoon tea! Marie clearly has a gift in Harp playing and is very talented! Whilst we may not all be able to play the Harp, remember that God has made us all unique and special. We all have gifts which He awakens in us when we come to know Him and we get to know Him by spending time with Him. With that in mind, why not spend some time with Him at our Sanctuary Morning which is taking place on Saturday 6th July from 10am – 12noon in the Church. As always refreshments are available, candles to light and the Vicar to talk to. Please note there is no sanctuary morning in August.

Our “All Things Wick” weekend went really well and many people enjoyed being able to see “Wick” in the past and have a variety of lovely food whilst browsing – cake, biscuits, ploughman’s lunch and BBQ! This event took place at Pentecost when we celebrated God giving us the Holy Spirit to empower, equip and comfort us!

We have a Church family picnic on Sunday 7 July, 11am – 2pm at the Old School House and a Cheese and Cider evening on the 26 July. For more details of these and other events please see the Church Noticeboard.

A big thankyou to everyone who has helped to make Church and events happen. We Praise God for you!

Emma



St Mark's Cafe

St Mark's Cafe opened on May 22nd 2018, therefore we have just celebrated our first birthday. A lot of prayer and hard work has ensured its success. Each week tables are erected and laid, chairs are put in place, the water urn is on in good time, and cakes arrive each week.

Everything used has been provided and paid for by the cafe, with the exception of the water urn. Cakes are donated, and we are very grateful to receive them.

We do not charge, but there are donation cups on all the tables. Guests have been and are very generous. Most weeks we have a craft stall, manned by Nicky when work allows, this proves very popular.

Cafe now has 3 posters in position, 2 in the church foyer and one in the hall where the cafe is held. We intend to pin photos of volunteers and guests to the wall in the hall as time goes by, and with their permission of course.

The bric a brac stall is kept fresh, and always attracts interest. A prayer board is available to all who wish to leave a prayer, which the cafe ensures is read out in the Sunday service. Business cards are on all the tables for anyone who would like to take one or two.

The cafe team would like to extend our very grateful thanks to all our happy band of volunteers, and would be very pleased to see you there.

Gill, Denise and Nicky xx



Free Film Nights at St Martin's

2019

During the Autumn the new series of film Nights will commence at 5.45pm, doors open at 5.15pm, for refreshments. Everyone is welcome, why not bring friends and neighbours for a social evening. Listed below are the proposed dates and films being shown below.

Saturday 28 September Finding your feet

Saturday 26 October The Greatest Showman

Saturday 30 November Stan and Ollie



2020

Saturday 25 January Bohemian Rhapsody

Saturday 29 February Fishermen's Friends

Saturday 28 March Shackleton



Graphics



Weston-super-Mare Foodbank



The foodbank greatly appreciates all donations of food to help those in need in our town and surrounding areas.

In 2018 we provided food for just under 5,000 people and distributed 42,000kgs of food, which is equivalent to three and a half double decker buses. This year we are expecting an even higher number of requests. This

would not happen without your ongoing support.

This summer we expect to see many families coming through our doors. Without our help, they would struggle to manage but this will put some pressure on our stock levels (see below our most needed items). This would not happen without your ongoing support.

The Foodbank is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11am to 2.30pm.

Frederique Wigmore
Foodbank Manager

Most needed items:

Tinned spaghetti

Tinned vegetables

Tinned potatoes Tinned meat/fish

Tinned custard/rice pudding

Instant soup/Instant noodles

Toiletries (Not sanitary items)

Diary Page

August

Wednesday 10 2.00pm Picnic and Games on the beach at Sand Bay

September

Saturday 7	10am	Sanctuary Morning at St Lawrence
Sunday 8	9.30am	Bishop Ruth visits St Martin's for Holy Communion Service
	11.15am	Bishop Ruth visits St Martin's for Worship Together Service
Saturday 28	5.15pm	Free Film Night at St Martin's showing "Finding your feet"
Sunday 29	10am	Joint Harvest Service at St Martin's - Harvest gift to Weston-super-Mare Foodbank



Every week during term-time:

Tuesdays 2.30pm Community Café in St Mark's Church

Wednesdays 2.30pm Community Café in St Martin's Church





Thrive

A safe space to hang out for young people with tuck and drinks and a special each end of term

Ages 11-14
Every 2nd week term
time
7-8.30pm
Subs: £1
Drinks & Tuck: 50p
each

In Worle Parish we don't just want the young people to exist — we want them to thrive. What a coincidence that that also happens to be the name for our youth club: Thrive! Every other Friday night at 7pm we meet in St Mark's church to just have a good time and let the week pass. There are video games, sporty activities like ping pong and sometimes we just go to the park. The Subscription fee is £1 per session, tuck and drinks are 50p each. Any profit we make is used for a special at the end of term, which could be a walk on the seafront and a meal at McDonald's or ordering pizza and staying inside. We would like you to feel as a part of Worle Parish and not just a visitor. The young people at Thrive will be excited to see you and so will the team.

Come check us out!

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 Said Holy Communion

9.30am Holy Communion with Choir

11.15am Worship Together (family friendly service)

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

There will be no midweek Holy Communion at St Mark's on 7 and 14 August.

There will also be no midweek Holy Communion at St Martin's on 15, 22, 29 August and 5 September due to roof repairs

5 May Tobias Elijah Dean
 26 May Molly Ann Violet Skidmore
 5 May Thanksgiving Service Rupert Rose



Baptisms



St Lawrence

4 May Benjamin Ballard to Alice Wiseman
 11 May Robert Chapman to Dawn Billing
 18 May Shawn Babbage to Philippa Adams

March

Graham Archer	aged 73
Rowland Morris	aged 87
Constance Archibald	aged 92
Lillian Weldon	aged 96
Valerie Radford	aged 78



Funerals

April

Roger Bailey	aged 72
Louise Davies	aged 48
Mary Hoskins	aged 81
Brian Squires	aged 85

May

Sheila Sutton	aged 87
Sylvia Caple	aged 83

If you wish to book a Wedding or Baptism please phone or email the Parish Office on 01934 515922, to arrange an appointment.
 Appointments are made for the First Monday of the month between 7 and 8pm. Or the third Monday of the month between 9.45 and 10.45am

USEFUL LOCAL DETAILS

Citizens Advice Bureau, Badger Centre, 3-6 Wadham Street.....	836201
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.....	426618
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.....	426618
Guide contact numbers	
Worle District:	Ann MacDonald.....642053
	Moir 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 Hillcok.....521021
District Secretary-	Ann Coombes.....513699
1st Wick St Lawrence Beavers, Cubs and Scouts -	

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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

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

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

Baby & Toddler Group.....

Parish Office 515922

Little Martin's Children's Group

Every Sunday during 10.00am Service

Café @ St Martin's

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

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