

Churchtalk

Newsletter No. 1179 9th January 2022

Welcome to our Services



Morning Prayer, St. Mary's, 9.30am

All Age, Church of the Holy Spirit, 10.30am

Readings: Acts 8: 14-17 Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

All Services will continue to be streamed on Facebook

CHS: https://www.facebook.com/widfordparishchelmsford/

St Mary's: https://www.facebook.com/stmaryswidford/

WIDFORD PARISH MISSION STATEMENT PRAYER

Loving Heavenly Father, please help us to grow to be more like Jesus. We want to get to know Christ together by loving one another, serving others and being at the heart of our community. Lord Jesus please encourage us on our way. Amen

Baptism of Christ Collect

Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen

Parish Retreat

Friday 18th to Sunday 20th March 2022. It is at the **Anglican Shrine**, **Walsingham**. Close to Wells-Next-the-Sea miniature railway, Shirehall Museum and Fakenham, so lots to do in the area, or you could enjoy the quiet, beautiful surroundings of the shrine or Walsingham village!

Those who have signed up, we will be (asap) paying the deposit to secure your place. The deposit is £30 per person.

Please make a payment to the PCC via online banking if possible and payment reference "Retreat/yoursurname":

Co-operative Bank

Account Name: Widford Parish PCC

Sort Code: 08-92-99

Account number: 65986017

Alternatively, please make a cheque out to

"Widford Parish PCC"

This weekend is during our time of slowing down over Lent, encouraged by Bishop Guli, so it would be great to go on a retreat together to recharge.



Messy Church, Saturday 15th January.



Annual Reports for 2021

In 2022 we will be honouring Lent by withdrawing from meetings as much as possible, in order for Lynette to get the report drafted, she needs your help a little earlier than usual. Many thanks. Stephanie.

In response to the DEC appeal for people desperate for support in Afghanistan, the PCC agreed to donate all that remained in our Emergency Pot for 2021– ie: £186.32 to Tearfund.

Louise and Charlie were wondering if there is anyone out there that could help them decorate their flat in Forest Drive please. If so, please contact Louise on 07774661990 direct or speak to Stephanie. Many thanks.

Bradwell Area Vocations Day, Saturday 29th January 2022, 9.00am to 3.30pm. St. Nicholas Church, Long Road, Canvey Island, Essex SS80JR. To register your place please email KNegri@chelmsford.anglican.org. Lunch is included. Please notify Karen of any dietary requirements.

Mon. 10th	Coffee Morning	10am - 12 noon	Parish Centre
Mon. 10th	Bridge Club	1.00-4.30pm	Parish Centre
Mon. 10th	Planning Meeting Messy Church	7.00pm	Parish Centre
Tues. 11th	Coffee Morning	10am-12 noon	Parish Centre
Tues. 11th	Homework Club	3.15-5.00pm	Westlands lounge
Tues. 11th	Yoga	8.00-9.00pm	Parish Centre
Tues. 11th	Scouts	7.00-10.00pm	CHS
Wed. 12th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	CHS, Prayer Room
Thurs. 13th	Widford Waddlers	10.00am	Widford Village Hall
Thurs. 13th	Homework Club	3.15-5.00pm	Westlands Lounge
Thurs. 13th	Choir	7.00-8.00pm	St. Mary's
Fri. 14th	Craft Club	3.15-4.15pm	Parish Centre
Fri, 14th	Set Up Messy Church	5.00pm	Parish Centre
Sat. 15th	Messy Church	10.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Sat. 15th	Youth Group	7.00-8.30pm	CHS
Sun. 16th	Holy Communion	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun. 16th	Morning Praise	10.30am	CHS

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Monday: Bob

Tuesday (Churchtalk): Barbara O

Wednesday: Jess Thursday: Shirley

Friday (the diary): Sylvia

Let us remember today, the 9th, those living in Epping Close and Evelyn Place, also, Rev'd Gemma Fraser and family, Jen and Paul Gaskin, from our Parish prayer directory.

For inclusion here please let, Stephanie or one of the wardens know, alternatively send a message to widfordchurchtalk@gmail.com headed "Prayer request".

There is also a **Prayer Chain via**

Text message on 07368136770 for specific prayer requests.

Please also remember in your prayers our tithe charities, this week:

CPAS (Christian pastoral aid society)

At https://www.facebook.com/ widfordparishchelmsford/

And https://www.facebook.com/ stmaryswidford/

Have you checked out the church's website at www.widfordparish.com which is updated every week. There is more information about what goes on in/at church, and links to partner organisations. Why not check it out?

If you have missed any services, you can catch up here:

St Mary's: www.facebook.com/pg/stmaryswidford/videos/ CHS: www.facebook.com/pg/widfordparishchelmsford/videos/

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