

## Welcome to our Services

"Forget the former things;  
do not dwell on the past.  
See, I am doing a new thing!  
Now it springs up; do you not  
perceive it?"

ISAIAH 43:18-19

Holy Communion, St. Mary's, 9.30am

Praise and Worship, Church of the Holy Spirit,  
10.30am

Readings: [Isaiah 43. 16-21](#) and [John 12. 1-8](#)

***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

## Lent 5 - Collect

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Big thankyou to those who donated to the Ukraine appeal for items - The donations were unloaded in Warsaw and some was taken straight to the refugee centre while the rest journeyed on into Ukraine.**



**Widford Parish youth**  
**Afternoon Tea**

  
St Mary's Church,  
Widford CM2 8TE

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April**  
**2pm – 5pm**

Please come and support us as we fundraise to attend Solid Festival!

[An annual festival for 8-17 year olds to discover and worship Jesus while taking part in all kinds of adventure, creative and sporting activities!]

**Cream Tea: £3**

Your choice of hot drink, a fruit or plain scone with choice of jam, and clotted cream!

**Afternoon Tea: £7**

Your choice of hot drink, a fruit or plain scone with choice of jam, and clotted cream, assorted finger sandwiches and choice of cake.



**We are having an Easter egg hunt after our service at St Mary's on Easter Sunday. Please if you can, add some crème eggs etc to your shop this week that would be wonderful! Pass to Bob/Jess/Sylvia**

## Our next ramble!

**Date:** Saturday 9th April

**Venue:** The Square and Compasses, Fuller Street, CM3 2BB (20-30 mins from Chelmsford)

**Time:** 9:30am for 9:45am start  
**Length:** 5 1/2 miles (about 2 hours 15 minutes)

**Lunch:** 12 noon for 12.15pm start

Please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church by the time you leave church this Sunday - if you would like to join, or if you would like to just meet at the end for the pub lunch! Please also give your lunch order on the sign up sheet so the pub can cater for our large group.

<http://thesquareandcompasses.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/SC-Sample-Menu.pdf>



## **Walsingham**

“This was an opportunity to experience a different expression of worship in beautiful surroundings with fun fellowship, excellent food and perfect weather..”  
Shirley

“Walsingham was new to me. I’d never heard about it before. It is a place of peace where you can commune with God. The food was delicious, the company was fantastic and overall the experience is one I’d like to repeat. I hope that will be soon.” Peter

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**Maundy Thursday**, 14th April. There will be Soup and Rolls at St. Mary’s 7.30pm also Agape at St. John’s, 7.30pm. It would be helpful to know numbers attending please.

**Good Friday (15th April) Walk of Witness**, meet at CHS at 9.15am.  
**St. Mary’s** will be open from 3.00-5.00pm

Mon. 4th	Hope Café and( soft play pre school children only)	10.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Mon. 4th	Deanery Chapter meeting	12.00-2.00pm	CHS
Mon. 4th	Bridge Club	1.00-4.30pm	Parish Centre
Mon. 4th	Messy church planning	12:30-13:30	Westlands Lounge
Tues. 5th	Hope Café and( soft play pre school children only)	10.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Wed. 6th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	CHS, Prayer Room
Wed. 6th	Hunnaballs	10.00-12 noon	CHS
Wed. 6th	Wed. Fellowship/Knit & Natter	2.15pm-4pm	CHS
Wed. 6th	Music Practice	7.00-9.00pm	CHS
Wed. 6th	Choir	7-8pm	St Mary’s
Sat. 9th	Ramble!	9:30am	CM3 2BB
Sat. 9th	Youth Group	7.00-8.30pm	CHS
Sun. 10th	Morning Prayer	9.30am	St. Mary’s
Sun. 10th	All Age Worship	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 3rd, those living in Beeches Close and Beeches Crescent, also, Lionel Blanks and Reg and Daphne Blowers, 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](mailto: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: **CHESS**

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Have you checked out the church's website at [www.widfordparish.com](http://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?



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