

Welcome to our Services
Palm Sunday



Morning Prayer, St. Mary's 9.30am

Praise and Worship, CHS 10.30am

Readings. Psalm 118 1-2,19- end and Luke 19 28-40

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

Collect Palm Sunday

True and humble king, hailed by the crowds as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory. Amen

EASTER SERVICES

Maundy Thursday: 17th April, St. Michaels, Galleywood, 7.30pm

Good Friday Walk of Witness, 18th April, meet at CHS 9.15am to leave at 9.30am, for the town centre event.

Sunrise Service: 20th April, 5.15am, St. Lukes, Gloucester Avenue

If you plan to attend the sunrise service at St Luke's please let one of the lynchpins know as they need numbers for the breakfast following the service.

Easter Sunday: 20th April, Holy Communion, breakfast from 9am at St Mary's

Thank you all for your donations of items and money for Potter's Village! I arrived home on Sunday evening and drove back to Exeter on Monday night. Here's a few pictures of my time there-



The daffodils at St Mary's are out in all their glory!

This week's Eco Tip: Less often and lower temperatures! The ocean floor holds 14 million < tonnes of microplastics. Textiles contribute 500,000 tonnes/year. 16% of the microplastics in oceans come from washing synthetic clothes. Toxic fibres degrade ecosystems, are ingested by sea life, mammals, eventually humans. Over washing at high temperatures releases more microplastics and will affect their quality over time. It's also a great waste of water and energy from your washing machine. Try not to buy non-toxic detergents and avoid the use/overuse of tumble dryers. Keith.

Bible Trek us taking a break over Easter and will start back on 29th April with the "Alive" course.

Our tithe charities for this year are:

- ♦ Potter's Village
- ♦ CHESS
- ♦ Jesus loves the little children (Hugh P)
- ♦ Ali and Keshule (Kenya)
- ♦ Tearfund
- ♦ Grassroots in Kyrgyzstan
- ♦ Open Doors
- South Essex Wildlife Hospital
- Christian Aid
- ♦ Emergency Pot

Mon 14th	Bridge Club	1.00-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Wed 16th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	CHS
Wed 16th	Lunch Club	1.00-2.15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 16th	Wednesday Fellowship	2.30-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Wed 16th	Music Practice	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Thurs 17th	Beechlands Ladies	2.00-4.00pm	CHS
Sat 19th	Messy Church	10.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Sun 20th	Holy Communion/ Baptism/Breakfast	9.00am	St. Mary's
Sun 20th	Holy Communion	10.30am	CHS

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION:

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Monday: Bob

Tuesday (Churchtalk): Barbara O

Wednesday: James

Thursday: Shirley+ Val

Friday: Barbara J

Scan to Give Thank you



Let us remember today, the 13th,
those living in, Hatfield Grove and
Hawkhurst Close, also, Jenny G.
and Maureen H, 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](tel:07368136770)
for specific prayer requests.

Please also remember in your
prayers our tithe charities, this week:
**Potter's Village child rescue and
rehabilitation centre, Uganda**
[The Potter's Village - Child and Medical Centre](http://ThePotter'sVillage-ChildandMedicalCentre)

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website at



www.widfordparish.com which is
updated every week. There is more
information about what goes on in/at
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