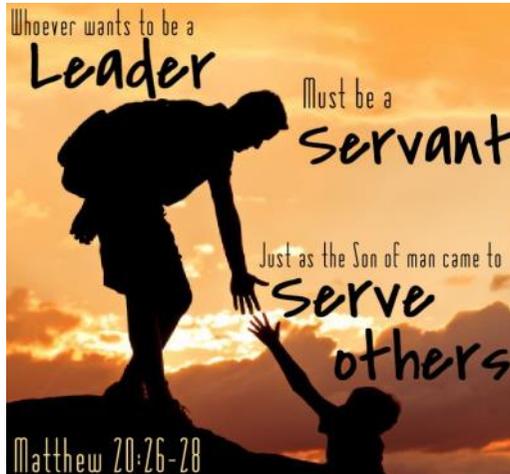


Sunday Worship



All Age Worship, at St Mary's, 9.30am
Praise and Worship, at CHS, 10.30am

Readings: [Psalm 126](#) [Matthew 20. 20-28](#)

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

Trinity 8

Collect

Lord God, your Son left riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

PCC up date

I am grateful to the PCC members who continue to work hard for us as a Parish.

At our most recent meeting we have agreed to give Jess a permanent contract of 18 hours a week.

Do take some time to find out the different projects that she is involved in and to pray for her and that ministry.

The Beeches and Hylands room have been adapted ready for a small soft play installation, thanks go to Peter and Roger for all their hard work. The PCC has agreed for a new pathway to be fitted around the room to the fire exit.

We have two church families interested in sharing our premises with us. The Romanian Orthodox church and the Indian Telugu Church. The PCC are working with them and will keep you informed.

Following new freedoms suggested by our Prime Minister, the PCC has agreed the following adaptations to our risk assessment for services through August: Both churches will continue to have an area where people can sit distanced and with a mask, should they wish.

If you would like to sing at St Mary's, please sit in the north or centre aisles, or join the choir.

If you would like to sing at CHS please sit on the rectory garden side of the church.

The QR codes will remain available, and we will continue to sign in.

Communion will remain the same, for now, with the additional option to receive the bread following intinction (having been dipped into the wine, by the Priest).

We are grateful to Barbara for organising the repair to the back door of the Parish Centre.

The PCC agreed a donation to the young people to enable them to go away together Champing (Church camping). Please pray for them and all the ongoing projects.

Thank you all, Stephanie

Everyone has a favourite Bible verse - or maybe you have a few! It would be great to encourage each other by sharing! If you'd like to write or email a couple of lines to the office (or Jess) with a favourite verse and what it means to you, or a verse that has spoken to you.

John 8:7

When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

This is not a favourite verse as such but it is one that I have felt to be more relevant than ever over the last year. The challenges of Brexit and COVID have led many to criticise the actions of others without taking the time to look in the mirror at themselves first.

Dan Gullick

Knit & Natter All crafts welcome afternoon on Wednesday 4th August, 2.00—4.00pm in the Parish Centre. Best wishes Stephanie

Friday 20th August, there is a Working Day at St. Mary's!! Gardening, litter picking, clearing of the land. No green fingered qualifications required, just come along and get stuck in., 10.00 –4.00. There will be cake!!

During August there will be one service in the Parish, all will be at 10.00am
Aug. 1st, Holy Communion, CHS

Aug. 8th, All Age Worship, St. Mary's

Aug. 15th, All Age Worship, CHS

Aug. 22nd, Holy Communion, St. Mary's

Aug. 29th, South West Churches United Service, St. John's, Moulsham

Joseph Messy Church



Thank you team for all your hard work this term!

A message from our Treasurer

Last month I reported that the Parish needed to receive a regular income of approximately £7,000 per month from July to the end of the year to meet the budget of £84,745. Having taken into account the recent gifts, the income required to meet budget is now £4,466 per month. However, if we continue with the current level of income, (around £7,000 per month excluding the larger gifts), then may have a surplus of around £12,000 or so. This is a good position to be in and hopefully will enable us to start to progress on a number of things that have been held up over the last couple of years.



If income level remains at £7,000 to reach surplus of around £12,000

Income level needed to meet budget. £4,466

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Wednesday: Jess
Thursday: Shirley
Friday: Sylvia

Let us remember today, the 25th, those living in Stansted Close and Stewart Road also Marjorie Rowe and Carly and Phoebe Sayward Jones, 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 07368 136770 for specific prayer requests.

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

Ubaka u Rwanda (The House for Street Boys in Kigali, Rwanda)

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:
<https://widfordparish.com/services-in-lockdown>, you will be directed to our YouTube page.

