

## Welcome to our Services



**Holy Communion, St. Mary's, 9.30am**

**We welcome Edward, his family and friends for  
his Baptism**

**Holy Communion, Church of the Holy Spirit,  
10.30am**

**Readings. [Job 38. 1-7](#) and [Mark 10. 35-45](#)**

### 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 for 21st Sunday after Trinity

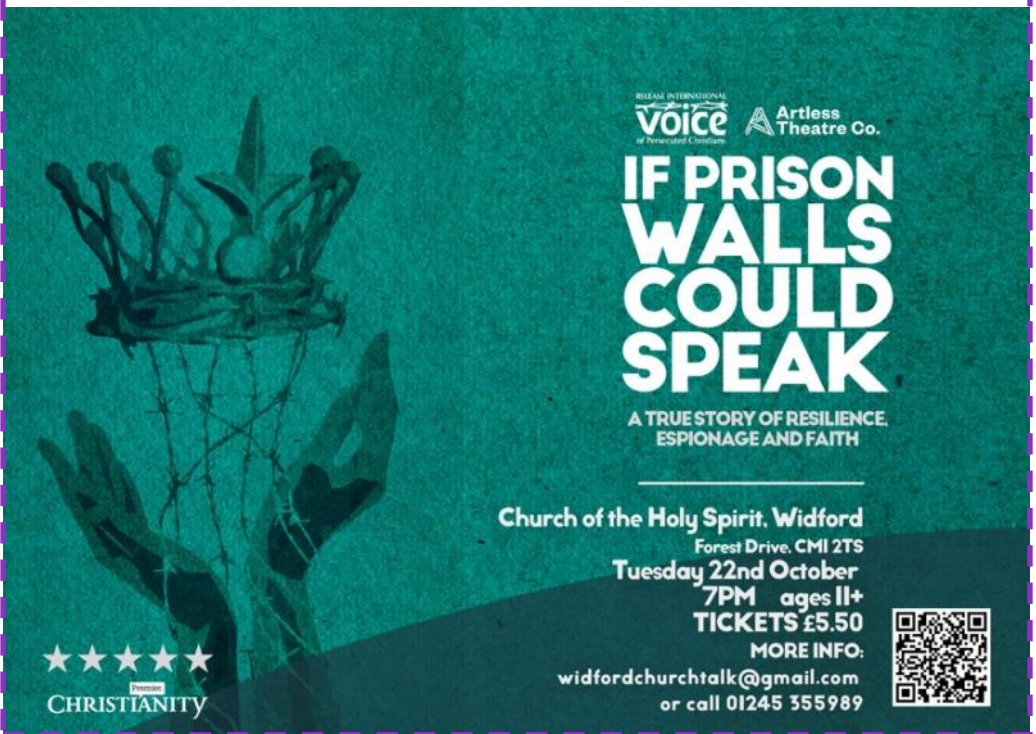
Almighty God, in whose service lies perfect freedom: teach us to obey you with loving hearts and steadfast wills; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

There is a confirmation service at St. Michael's , Galleywood, today at 3.00pm. Please come along and support Paula, James and Chris from our congregation.

### Eco Tip: Leave the leaves for wildlife!

If you are fortunate enough to have a garden with or near deciduous trees and shrubs, while it may look a little untidy, fallen leaves play an important role for both trees and the biodiversity they support. The dead leaf layers provide an essential home for insects. They are a favourite food source for earthworms who use the leaves as bedding before breaking them down and creating a rich carbon layer of soil. It is best to leave the leaf cover as is, however, if you must tidy, then creating a leaf pile can also be a valuable habitat for wildlife.

**Tickets will be available on the door! PLEASE COME! 😊**



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# IF PRISON WALLS COULD SPEAK

A TRUE STORY OF RESILIENCE,  
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Church of the Holy Spirit, Widford  
Forest Drive, CMI 2TS  
Tuesday 22nd October  
7PM ages 11+  
TICKETS £5.50

MORE INFO:  
widfordchurchtalk@gmail.com  
or call 01245 355989



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**Messy Church is taking place this Saturday 19th October! The theme is JESUS: LIGHT OF THE WORLD!**

There will be a Quiz Night at St. Luke's, on Friday 22nd November, 7 for 7.30pm prompt start! Teams of up to 8 people, either book as a team or an individual. £5 per person, bring your own drinks and nibbles. All proceeds will go the their roof appeal.

**TIME OUT WITH GOD - upcoming dates**

*Mulberry House Hotel, Chelmsford Road, High Ongar, CM5 9NL*

*10:30am-3:30pm*

**Monday 21st October** "Unchanging faith in a changing world"

**Monday 4th November** "Called: Faithful women in the Old and New Testament"

**Monday 16th December** "Journey to Bethlehem"

*Please pre-book. £25 includes tea, coffee, biscuits and a two course lunch.*

*Email [mpitt@nctuk.org](mailto:mpitt@nctuk.org) or phone 01277 367124*

Mon 21st	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9,00-12,00	Parish Centre
Mon 21st	Bridge Club	1.00-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Mon 21st	Rainbows	4.30-5.30pm	Parish Centre
Mon 21st	PCC Meeting	7.00pm	Westlands Lounge
Tues 22nd	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Tues 22nd	"If Prison Walls could Speak"	7pm-9:30pm	CHS—doors open 6:15pm
Wed 23rd	Morning Prayer	9.15am	CHS
Wed 23rd	Lunch Club	1.00-2.15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 23rd	Wednesday Fellowship	2.15-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Wed 23rd	Music Practice	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Thurs 24th	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00	Widford Vill. Hall
Thurs 24th	Art Club	6.45-9.15 pm	Parish Centre
Sun 27th	All Age Worship	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun 27th	Praise and Worship	10.30am	CHS

## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION:

**Rector:** Rev'd Stephanie Gillingham  
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Day off Thursdays.

### Churchwardens:-

Mrs Barbara Jones

Mr Keith Schofield

Mr Bob Wiseman (St M. deputy)

### Parish Safeguarding Officer

Mrs Barbara Jones

### Safeguarding Assistant

Mrs Karen Cooney

### Treasurer

Dr Peter Wood

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Miss. Tammy Squirrel

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## St Mary's Church

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### The Parish Office and CHS:-

Forest Drive, CM1 2TS

The office is open Mon-Fri

10.00am—12:00pm, but the email  
and phone is checked regularly.

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*Monday:* Bob

*Tuesday (Churchtalk):* Barbara O

*Wednesday:*

*Thursday:* Shirley+Val

*Friday:* Barbara J

Let us remember today, the 20th October, those living in, Priory Close and Ravensbourne Drive, also Izzy, who has just moved to Brixham for a new job, and the Pollocks, 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](tel:07368136770)

for specific prayer requests.

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

## Toilet Twinning

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

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

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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