

Churchtalk

Newsletter No. 1176 12th December 2021

Welcome to our Services



The Lord your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing.

ZEPHANIAH 3:17

All Age, CHS, 10.30am

Readings: Zephaniah 3: 14-end and Luke 3:7-18

Carols by Candlelight, St Mary's, 4pm



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

3rd Sunday of Advent

Collect

God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son: give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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.

Christmas Concert

Chelmsford College Extended Leaving, will be holding their Christmas Concert at CHS on Tuesday 14th December, 10.30am. All are welcome.

Next Messy Church

2 Stor Sheila

Saturday 18th December 10am -12

Please collect your kitchen roll tubes for Sheila!

Film Night at CHS, 17/12/21 @7

"Miracle on 34th Street" (PG)

Christmas Classic with mince pies

St Mary's will be holding an open morning on Wednesday 22nd December 10am-12 noon. Tea and coffee available!

Come and see our church beautifully decorated for Christmas! Bob :)

Parish Retreat

A date to put in your diary, the weekend of 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!

Dependent on how much time you would like to spent at the shrine, you may like to choose B&B/Half Board (Breakfast and Dinner)/Full Board (3 meals per day)

B&B: £104 adult, £62.40 child Half Board: £128 adult, £76.80 child Full Board: £152 adult, £91.20 child

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.

For more info/questions please speak to Jess or Sylvia. :)

We do need to give a more accurate idea of numbers asap, so please sign up on the sheets in either CHS or St M. https://www.walsinghamanglican.org.uk/

Let's support St Luke's, Moulsham as they hold their CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL!

Saturday 18th 10am-4.30pm Sunday 19th 1pm-4pm

FREE Entry Refreshments Available



We are submitting a tree, which we will be decorating at our All Age Service on 12th Dec!

CHELMSFORD FOODBANK CHRISTMAS SHOPPING LIST

Thank you for your continued support.

UHT milk
Tinned ham
Minced pies
Fruit squash
Chocolate log
Tinned salmon
Tinned custard
Christmas cake
UHT fruit juice
Boxes of biscuits
Christmas pudding
Chocolate selection boxes

Items can be delivered to our warehouse in Beehive Lane, thank you

www.chelmsford.foodbank.org.uk

Follow us on Facebook as well

Mon. 13th	Coffee Morning	10am - 12 noon	CHS
Mon. 13th	Bridge Club	1pm- 4.30pm	Parish Centre
Tues. 14th	Coffee Morning	10am - 12 noon	CHS
Tues. 14th	Chelmsford College Christmas Concert	10am	CHS
Tues. 14th	Lime Tree Yoga	8pm-9pm	Parish Centre
Wed. 15th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	CHS
Wed. 15th	Lunch Club Christmas meal	1pm	Parish Centre/CHS
Thurs. 16th	Beechlands Ladies	2pm -4pm	CHS/Westlands L
Fri. 17th	Messy Church Setup	5pm	Parish Centre/CHS
Fri. 17th	Film Night	7pm	CHS
Sat. 18th	Messy Church	10am – noon	Parish Centre/CHS
Sat. 18th	Youth Group	7pm -8.30pm	CHS/Parish Centre
Sun. 19th	Holy Communion	9.30am	St Mary's
Sun. 19th	Carols by Candlelight	6.30pm	CHS

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Monday: Bob

Tuesday (Churchtalk): Barbara O

Wednesday: Jess Thursday: Shirley

Friday (the diary): Sylvia

Let us remember today, the 12th, those living in, Hainault Grove and Harewood Road, also, Paula and The Gullicks 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:

CHESS

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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