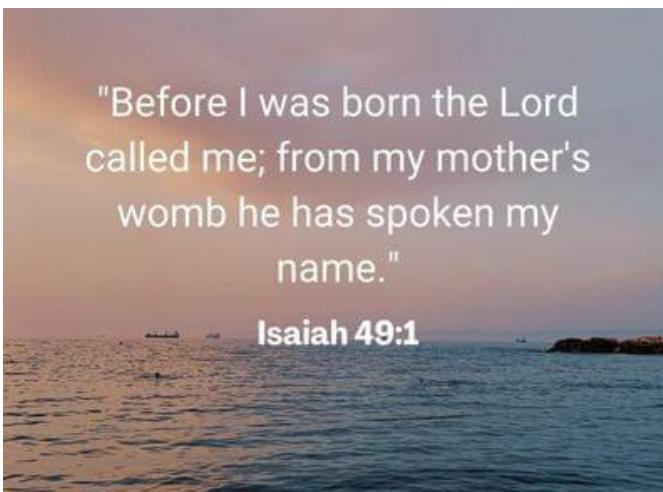


Sunday 18th January, 2026

Welcome to our Services



"Before I was born the Lord
called me; from my mother's
womb he has spoken my
name."

Isaiah 49:1

Holy Communion, St. Mary's, 9.30am

Holy Communion, CHS, 10.30am

Readings: Isaiah 49. 1-7 and John 1. 29-42

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 Sunday 18th January, Epiphany 2

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Messy Church will take place on Saturday 17th January, 10am-12 noon



Sunday 25th January, Nigel Bolitho will be talking about Street Evangelism at CHS.

Eco tip

Bad news for tea drinkers! It seems there has been secret plastic in our tea bags for years. Many tea brands use a type of plastic to seal the bags. You can search online for brands that are plastic free (they are available in some supermarkets) Alternatively use loose leaf tea. Tammy



Step into the world of light and sound at Chelmsford Cathedral!

10-14th February, shows run nightly from 6:30pm—9:30pm.

45-50 min experience

Walk through stunning light projects with storytelling from children's classics to legends and poetry.

Tickets available on the Chelmsford Cathedral website

Dates for your diary:

6th March—World Day of Prayer, St Mary's, 10:30am

27th March—The Centurion, CHS, evening

Would you like to be confirmed by Bishop Adam? We have a confirmation service coming up on 1st March 2026. Stephanie will be organising preparation classes, please speak to her or one of the wardens to join the group.

DUST IT OFF ORCHESTRA @ CHS. Meeting fortnightly (13th & 27th January/10th & 24th February and 24th March, 10.30am-12.30pm. String, woodwind and brass instruments. Any level, dust off your instruments!! Speak to Coralie for more info!

Potter's Village update:

Staff at the Rehabilitation Unit recently completed 'baby Ubuntu training'. The training included 6 staff picked carefully from the medical and crisis centre. Their aim is to help improve the lives of children with developmental disabilities, and their families. <https://www.ubuntu-hub.org/>



Mon 19th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Mon 19th	Bridge Club	1.00-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Mon 19th	Rainbows	4.30-5.30pm	Parish Centre
Tues 20th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Tues 20th	Bible Trek	7.30-9.15pm	CHS
Wed 21st	Morning Prayer	9.15am	CHS
Wed 21st	Lunch Club	1.00-2.15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 21st	Wednesday Fellowship	2.15-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Wed 21st	Music Practice	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Thurs 22nd	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00	Widford Vill Hall
Fri 23rd	Craft Club	3.30-4.30pm	Parish Centre
Fri 23rd	Youth Club	7.00-8.30pm	Parish Centre
Sun 25th	All Age Worship	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun 25th	Praise and Worship	10.30am	CHS

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Weds:

Thurs: Shirley+ Val

Friday: Barbara J

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Thank you!



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Let us remember today, the 18th, those living in, Thetford Court and Rossendale, also, from our prayer directory, John McDougall and Pam & Zoe.

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:-

Ali and Keshule Edapal

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??