



*Churchtalk*  
Newsletter No. 1052 24th February 2019

*Welcome to our services Today*

Family Service at St. Marys,  
at 9.30 am



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



## **The Fourth Sunday before Lent**

### **Collect**

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

### Coffee Rota for CHS

24th Feb. Valerie  
3rd March Vicky

### Coffee Rota for St. Marys

24th Feb. Barbara & Beryl  
3rd March Jackie

### Cleaning at CHS (week beginning)

25th Feb. Lisa  
4th March Barbara

### Cleaning at St. Marys

8th March Jackie & Barbara

Mon. 25th	Stay & Play	9.30am	Parish Centre
Tues. 26th	Prayers	9.15am	CHS
Tues. 26th	Coffee Stop	10.00am	Parish Centre
Tues. 26th	Yoga	8.00pm	Parish Centre
Wed. 27th	Lunch Club	1.00pm	Parish Centre
Wed. 27th	Wednesday Fellowship	2.15pm	Parish Centre
Wed. 27th	Music Practice	7.30pm	CHS
Thurs. 28th	Widford Waddlers	10.00am	Widford Hall
Thurs. 28th	Prayer 24/7	7.30pm	Parish Centre
Sun. 3rd	Holy Communion	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun. 3rd	Family Service	10.30am	CHS

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Women's World Day of Prayer**, will be held on **Friday 1st March**, there is a choice of two services:-  
St. John's, Danbury , 10.00am  
St. Martin's, Little Waltham, 2.00pm

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**Shrove Tuesday—Pancake Day, 5th March.** Afternoon session is 3.00 - 5.00pm and again in the evening, 7.00-9.00pm. All are welcome.

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**Ash Wednesday Services. 6th March.** St. Luke's, 9.45am and St. Mary's, 7.30pm.

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There will be a visit from the **Bishop of Bradwell, John Perumbalath**, on the **10th March**. He will be preaching at both Churches. Bishop John will be blessing the Altar Frontals, Pulpit Fall and Notice Boards at St. Mary's. A continental breakfast will be held prior to this, starting at 9.00am, brioche rolls, croissants, fruit, jam etc. **A cake sale** will be held after the service at **CHS**, all proceeds will be going to **Red Nose Day**, any contribution to both of these events will be gratefully received. Many thanks.

There is a **Missional Event** which focuses on our involvement in schools, **Saturday 3rd March at St Michael's, Galleywood**, 10am - 2.00pm. Leaflets at back of church.

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There is a Bradwell Area Vocations Day being held on **Saturday 23rd March** at Meadgate Church. Please see the leaflets at the back of church or [click here](#)

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### Electoral Roll

This year the electoral roll has to be completely renewed, meaning everyone must complete an application form, irrespective of their being already on the roll. Application forms are available at both churches. To be sure that your name is on the roll in time for you to be eligible to vote at the APCM on the 29th April, please ensure your form is returned by the 1st April at the latest. Completed forms can be left at the church office or given to Shirley Deering or one of the wardens.

## PARISH INFORMATION:-

**Rector:** Rev'd Stephanie Gillingham  
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**Curate:** Rev'd Andy Brown  
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### Churchwardens:-

Mr. Alan Davey  
Miss. Tammy Squirrel  
Mrs. Sylvia Skardon  
Mr. Bob Wiseman

Caretaker:-

Miss. Tammy Squirrel  
07551 771 227

### The Parish Office:-

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Monday 9.15 - 11.45am

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Both churches have hearing  
loops.



## Let us pray

Please pray for Andy Clifford, and Grant Adams. Let us also remember today, the 24th, those living in, Exmoor Close and Longacres (Prayer Diary)

**For inclusion here** please let, Stephanie, Andy, or one of the wardens know, or send a message to

[widfordchurchtalk@gmail.com](mailto:widfordchurchtalk@gmail.com)

headed "Prayer request".

There is also a **Prayer Chain via Text** message on 07847 875611 for specific prayer requests.

Please also remember in your prayers, Ali, Kesule and family, plus Tearfund. They are part of our tithe giving.

Are you on Facebook or Twitter? Used sensibly these social media platforms can be a useful way of sharing what God is doing in our lives, and advertising forthcoming events Why don't you link up and connect online?

At [https://twitter.com/widford\\_parish](https://twitter.com/widford_parish)



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??