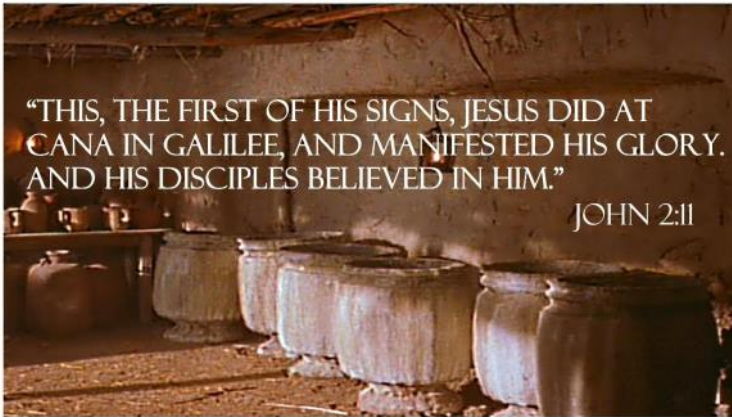


Sunday 21st January 2024

## Welcome to our Services



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

**Praise and Worship, Church of the Holy Spirit, 10.30am**

**Readings. [Revelation 19. 6-10](#) and [John 2. 1-11](#)**

*Sunday 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

### **Collect. Epiphany 3**

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release of captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen

I am heading off to Uganda in February to visit some Children's charities.

If you'd like to purchase any of the following for me to take out that would be awesome:

- ◆ Milton sterilizing tablets/baby bottles/ bottle brushes.
- ◆ Baby clothes/baby blankets/reusable nappies
- ◆ Crayons/colouring pencils/colouring books/tennis balls

While I'm away, I'm hoping that the children's/youths activities won't all have to be cancelled. If you are DBS'd and feel you could help cover one of the following, please could you speak to me and maybe you could come to visit beforehand? Some of the young people really do depend on these groups during the week

Homework Club with Bob (need 1 person) Thursday 8th Feb 3-5pm

Craft w/Zoe+Sheila (+1 person needed) Fri 9th Feb 3:15/30-4:30+set down

Youth Grp w/Stephanie+Keith (+1 person needed) Sat 10th Feb 7-8:30pm

Homework Club with Vicky (need 1 person) Tuesday 13th February 3-5pm

Homework Club with Bob (need 1 person) Thursday 15th February 3-5pm

Youth Group with Stephanie (+1 person needed) Sat 17th Feb 7-8:30pm

Jess

**Messy Church is on Saturday 20th January and the theme is the Three Wise Men.**

Following on from Bob's article last week regarding saving money and energy, in the next few weeks we will publish a few Eco tips that may help you all.

If you drive a car, did you know that if you drive at 60 mph instead of 70mph on motorways, you can save 10% of your fuel costs? What's more, if you have to drive 100 miles on the motorway, if you drove at the lower speed you would only have to start 15 minutes earlier to arrive at exactly the same time! What's not to love about that? Get up 15 minutes earlier: save money, fuel and do a bit to save the planet too!



**World Day of Prayer is taking place on Friday 1st March, this year the focus country is Palestine.**  
**Our service will be held on the morning of 1st March at St Mary's, 11:30am.**  
**Those who wish to be involved in the service are invited to a planning meeting on Thursday 25th January, 7pm at CHS, to run through the order of service, work out who is doing what and practice the songs!**  
**Jess 😊**

Mon 22nd	Hope Café/soft Play <5>	9.00-12.00am	Parish Centre
Mon 22nd	Bridge Club	1.00-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Mon 22nd	Rainbows	4.30-5.30pm	Parish Centre
Tues 23rd	Hope Café/Soft Play <5>	9.-12.00am	Parish Centre
Tues 23rd	Homework Club	3.15-5pm	Westlands Lounge
Tues 23rd	Bible Trek	7.30-9.00pm	Westlands Lounge
Wed 24th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	CHS
Wed 24th	Lunch Club	1.00-2.15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 24th	Wednesday Fellowship	2.15-4.00pm	Parish Centre/CHS
Wed 24th	Music Practice	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Thurs 25th	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00am	Widford Vill. Hall
Thurs 25th	Homework Club	3.15-5pm	Westlands Lounge
Thurs 25th	Choir	7.00-8.00pm	CHS
Fri 26th	Vintage Road Show Antiques Experts	9.00am-3.00pm	Parish Centre
Fri 26th	Craft Club	3.15/30-4.30pm	Parish Centre
Sat 27th	Youth Group	7- 8.30pm	Parish Centre
Sun 28th	All Age Worship	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun 28th	Holy Communion	10.30am	CHS
Sun 28th	Praise & Worship	4.00 for 4.30pm	St. Michael's

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Mr Keith Schofield (CHS)  
Mr Bob Wiseman (St Mary's)

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*Monday:* Bob  
*Tuesday (Churchtalk):* Barbara O  
*Wednesday:* Jess  
*Thursday:* Shirley + Val  
*Friday:* Sylvia

Let us remember today, the 21st, those living in, Robjohns Road and Rookes Crescent, also Lisa, Doreen R and Marjorie R, 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:

### Mary Wood Trust

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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