

Welcome to our Services



All Age Worship, St. Mary's. 9.30am

Holy Communion, Church of the Holy Spirit, 10.30am

Readings: Isaiah 9. 1-4 and Matthew 4. 12-23

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 for Third Sunday of Epiphany

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release the 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

Nicholas Henshall, Dean of the Cathedral, leaving service: Sun 5 Feb 3pm @ Chelmsford Cathedral. Please register your attendance: (<https://forms.gle/9oankUgkEExs5cMc8>), before 23rd January.

There will be services at usual times at CHS and St Mary's in the morning. There is a united MMU service on the 29th January, at St. Michael's, Galleywood, Praise and Worship, 4 for 4.30pm.

Bishop John's leaving service is Sunday 26th February @ 3:30pm, Chelmsford Cathedral—register your attendance: Farewell to the Bishop of Bradwell.

We are all invited to a Fair Trade Breakfast, 8.30am on Saturday 4th March at the Central Baptist Church. There will be a breakfast and short film. Book your place: gill.parker@sky.com

Lent Books—Lent begins on Wednesday 22nd February

- Failure by Emma Ineson - The Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book 2023
- Images of Grace: BRF Lent Book 2023
- Women of Holy Week
- Forty Women: Unseen women of the Bible from Eden to Easter

Last week Ali and Keshule visited the youth group! We learnt about the work they continue to be a part of in Kenya, and also some Swahili! We tried some African foods such as Jollof rice, mango, coconut and avocados!





**Burns
Supper**

**Saturday
January
28th**

Cash up
front in an
envelope
please.

**6.00pm for 6.30pm prompt
Church Hall - £16 per head**

**Cosy tables of 10
3 course meal.**

**Address the Haggis, raffle,
music and fun**

**Please bring your own cutlery,
crochery and drinks.**

Vege / Meat option pre-order.

**Offers of help to cook. Raffle prizes.
Desserts. All gratefully received.**

**St John's are holding a Burns Night
supper-please see details here (cash
up front in an envelope)**

**World Day of Prayer is Friday 3rd March,
and focusses on Taiwan. We are looking
to host our own service for this. If you
are interested in being part of a team to
plan for this please speak to Jess.**



Mon 23rd	Hope Café. Soft Play (<5yrs)	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Mon 23rd	Bridge Club	1.00-4.15pm	Parish Centre
Mon 23rd	Rainbows	4.30-5.30pm	Parish Centre
Tues 24th	Hope Café. Soft Play (<5yrs)	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Tues. 24th	Homework Club	3.15-5pm	Westlands Lounge
Tues 24th	Bible Trek	7.30-9.15pm	Westlands Lounge
Wed 25th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	Prayer Room CHS
Wed 25th	Lunch Club—Burns night!	1pm-2:15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 25th	Wednesday Fellowship	2:15pm-4pm	CHS
Wed 25th	Music Practice	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Thurs 26th	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00	Widford Vill. Hall
Thurs 26th	Homework Club	3.15-5pm.	Westlands Lounge
Thurs 26th	Choir	7-8pm	CHS
Fri 27th	Craft Club	3.30-4.30pm	Parish Centre
Sat 28th	Youth Group	7.00-8.30pm	CHS and PC
Sun 29th	Morning Prayer with a difference	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun 29th	Café style worship	10.30am	CHS

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

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The Parish Office and CHS:-

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<i>Monday:</i>	Bob
<i>Tuesday (Churchtalk):</i>	Barbara O
<i>Wednesday:</i>	Jess
<i>Thursday:</i>	Shirley
<i>Friday:</i>	Sylvia

Let us remember today, the 22nd,
those living in, Rossendale and
Rothbury Road, also, Carly and
Phoebe and Keith and Sheila, 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](tel:07368136770)
for specific prayer requests.

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

**Little Edi Foundation (working
with families living in poverty in
Chelmsford.)**

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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??

