

## Welcome to our Services



**Morning Prayer, St. Mary's, 9.30am**

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

**Readings. 2 Kings 2. 1-12 and Mark 9. 2-9**

*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. Frist before Lent**

**Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

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, followed by homemade soup.

**The next Messy Church will take place in the Church on 17th February, with a picnic lunch, the theme is Palm Sunday.**

**A Variety Concert will be held at St. Lukes on Friday 9th February starting at 7.30pm. There will be light refreshments available. The entry is free but there will be a retiring collection in aid of St. Luke's Hall roof repair.**

Monday 4th to Wednesday 6th March 2024 (You may book for individual days or attend all three with option to stay overnight).

A Bible Tour of Israel without leaving home! Does it appeal to you? Some of you have toured Israel and you might value a refresher course. Others have never been, and present tragic circumstances in the Land have made the prospect impossible. You might be interested in THE MULBERRY HOUSE TOUR OF ISRAEL! £25 per day.



**The Youth Group celebrating with Stephanie on her birthday last Saturday.**

## This weeks Eco-Tip

**Going a mile? Make it count! If your next journey is a mile or less and you don't have to carry a lot of stuff and can safely do it, how about walking next time? Walking is more environmentally friendly than taking the bus or car, it is great for health, and by the time you faff about with bus stops or the car, it only typically takes at most 15 minutes longer: save fumes, get healthier and you have even got 15 minutes to savour that day along the way. What's not to love about that. Keith**

Mon 12th	Hope Café/soft Play <5>	9.00-12.00am	Parish Centre
Mon 12th	Bridge Club	1.00-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Mon 12th	Rainbows	4.30-5.30pm	Parish Centre
Tues 13th	Hope Café/Soft Play <5>	9.-12.00am	Parish Centre
Tues 13th	Homework Club	3.15-5pm	Westlands Lounge
Tues 13th	Bible Trek	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Wed 14th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	CHS
Wed 14th	Ash Wed. Holy Communion and Ashes	10.00-11.00am	St. Lukes
Wed 14th	Lunch Club	1.00-2.15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 14th	Wednesday Fellowship	2.15-4.00pm	Parish Centre/CHS
Wed 14th	Ash Wed .Holy Communion and Ashes	7.30-8.30pm	St. Michaels
Wed 14th	Music Practice	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Thurs 15th	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00am	Widford Vill. Hall
Thurs 15th	Beechland Ladies	2.00-4.00pm	CHS
Thurs 15th	Homework Club	3.15-7.00pm	Westlands Lounge
Thurs 15th	Choir	7.00-8.00pm	CHS
Sat 17th	Messy Church	9.00-12.30	CHS
Sat 17th	Youth Group	7- 8.30pm	Westlands Lounge
Sun 18th	Holy Communion	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun 18th	Praise & Worship	10.30am	CHS

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

Let us remember today, the 11th, those living in, Grace Bartlett Gardens and Grange Court, also Colin, Carol, Sandra, Trevor and Hannah and Rachael 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:

**Grassroots (alleviating poverty and sponsoring children in Kyrgystan)**

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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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