

Churchtalk

Newsletter No. 1186 6th March 2022

Welcome to our Services



ROMANS 10:13

Holy Communion, St. Mary's, 9.30am

Holy Communion, CHS, 10.30am

Readings: Romans 10: 8b-13 and Luke 4: 1-13

All 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

Lent 1

Collect

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Walsingham Retreat update

Jess has produced an itinerary for the weekend, if you would like to pick one up from the back of church. We do not need to pay the remaining funds until we are there. Between now and 18th March (when we go), please could everyone who is going, pay their remaining balance of £110 to the PCC, (or £140 if you are yet to pay your deposit) either by instalments or in full over the next 3-4 weeks. Thankyou:)

Co-operative Bank, Account Name: Widford Parish PCC Sort Code: 08-92-99, Account number: 65986017

There will be tea/coffee/long life milk provided in our rooms, but I wondered if we could bake/bring some biscuits/cakes to share. I will get t/coffee/milk!

South West Chelmsford Churches - Our next ramble!

Date: Saturday 9th April

Venue: The Square and Compasses, Fuller Street, CM3 2BB

(20-30 mins from Chelmsford) Time: 9:30am for 9:45am start

Length: 5 1/2 miles (about 2 hours 15 minutes)

Lunch: 12 noon for 12:15pm start

Do consider coming along to our next ramble with our partner churches! It's a lovely flat walk through woods and fields, plus some quiet road stretches. There are <u>no stiles</u> and the spring flowers will be blooming! The pub is *very welcoming* and the *food is delicious*. We need to be back at the pub at 12 to eat at around 12.15/30 as they have another large group coming shortly after. **Non-walkers** are welcome to join us for lunch! Nearer the time we will circulate menus and collect orders. The pub is renowned for its food - and

circulate menus and collect orders. The pub is renowned for its food - and sandwiches using locally baked bread. There's a good choice of hot food, including pub classics and specials. There is a decent car park but please can we car share wherever possible so that we don't fill it up!

Looking forward to walking with you all again soon!

http://thesquareandcompasses.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/SC-Sample-Menu.pdf Please let Jess know if you'd like to join :)

From A to B (Alpha to Bible) is on Tuesday evenings from 7.30-9.15pm. The Bible Course explores the BIG story of the Bible itself, with video and interactive discussion and refreshment/time to socialise. If you are interested, please contact Keith or Pam.

Irene Carr - Irene's funeral is on Fri 11th March, 2pm at St.Mary's Church, Flowton, IP8 4LL, followed by cremation at Ipswich Crem, Cemetery Lane, IP4 2TQ, 3.15pm. Please register if you plan to attend, using the following link, so the Perry's have an idea of numbers: http://funeralguide.co.uk/obituaries/97700 Stephanie has produced a Lent Bible reading guide. Please take one.

Missing Songs of Fellowship Music Book 2 from CHS. If anyone has it or knows where it is please return to the office or let Dan Gullick know.

The Edapal Family

For many years we have provided financial support for the Kenyan ministry of Ali and Keshule Edapal, which includes practical and spiritual support. Pandemic permitting, they are seeking an opportunity to return from the UK to Kenya to see how the ministry is progressing. Please watch this space and pray that the plans will come together in the most appropriate way.

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Mon. 7th	Hope Café and soft play	10.00-12.00	Parish Centre
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Tues. 8th	Hope Café and soft play	10.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Tues. 8th	Homework Club	3.15-5.00pm	Westlands Lounge
Tues. 8th	Bible Course	7.30-9.15pm	CHS
Wed. 9th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	CHS, Prayer Room
Wed. 9th	Hunnaballs	10.00-12 noon	CHS
Wed. 9th	Wed. Fellowship/Old Tyme Music. Dan G	2.15pm-4pm	CHS
Wed. 9th	Music Practice	7.00-9.00pm	CHS
Wed. 9th	Choir	7-8pm	St Mary's
Thurs. 10th	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00	Widford Vill. Hall
Thurs. 10th	Homework Club	3.15-5pm	Westlands Lounge
Fri. 11th	Craft Club	3.15-4.15pm	Parish Centre
Sat. 12th	Come and Play	9.00-12 noon	CHS
Sat. 12th	Youth Group	7.00-8.30pm	CHS
Sun. 13th	Morning Prayer	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun. 13th	All Age Worship	10.30am	CHS

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Monday: Bob

Tuesday (Churchtalk): Barbara O

Wednesday: Jess Thursday: Shirley

Friday (the diary): Sylvia Let us remember today, the 13th, those living in Hatfield Grove and Hawkhurst Close, also, Jenny Gymer and Maureen Hart, 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 for specific prayer requests.

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

CPAS (Christian Pastoral Aid Society)

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?

If you have missed any services, you can catch up here:

St Mary's: www.facebook.com/pg/stmaryswidford/videos/ CHS: www.facebook.com/pg/widfordparishchelmsford/videos

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