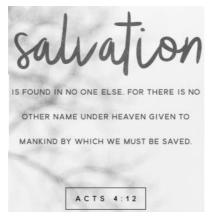




Welcome to our Services

St. Mary's, Holy Communion, 9.30am



CHS, Mini Service 10.30am

Readings. Acts 4. 5-12 and John 10. 11-18

APCM Church of the Holy Spirit, 11.15am

We Welcome Ralph for his Baptism at St. Mary's @ 3.00pm

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. Easter 4

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.

I Amen

Youth group is back on Saturday 20th April!

JENNIFER WALLACE will be returning to CHS on Saturday 20th April from 10.00am-4.00pm. Jennifer's teaching is titled <u>THE MASTER IS HERE AND HE'S ASKING FOR YOU.</u> (this is mainly for women) Attendance is free (an offering will be taken) and a light lunch will be provided. Pre registration at www.womenintune.org/wit-2024 or send an email to info@womenintune.org.. Any problems registering let me know. Jen

The APCM will be on Sunday 21st April, at CHS, 11.15am

Next Messy Church will be Saturday 27th April. Planning will take place on Thursday 18th April at 5.00pm.

You may remember that last year we helped to raise funds for beehives in Kenya. News from Keshule Edapal: here are the new Kenyan beehives ready to be transported to their new homes on Turkana province

A ladies hooded jacket was left in CHS about 4 weeks ago and remains unclaimed. If you are, or know of, the owner, please contact the office by 5th May. After this date the item will be taken to a charity shop. (It is purple and is from Cotton traders)

THIS WEEK'S ECO TIP from Keith

Have you thought about having an Eco-Sabbath? For one day, an afternoon or an hour a week, don't buy anything, don't use machines, don't switch on anything electric, don't cook, don't answer your phone and, in general, don't use any resources. That's right! You can take a break from it all and not consume any of the world's resources!

To read the latest Newsletter from Potter's village Child rescue and rehab Centre (Uganda) click <u>here</u>

South Essex Wildlife Hospital, one of our tithe charities for this year, recently had a documentary made for channel 4 about their work!

Tune in on Channel 4 on Thurs 18th April, to see the first episode of the 4-part series. The work they do for local wildlife amazing— they will take in any wild animal and do what they can. If you ever find an injured

wild animal or one that need immediate care you can take them to the Wildlife hospital in Orsett, or speak to Jess.

We have taken an injured bat from St Mary's and a churchyard bunny rabbit. I have also taken a



starling fledging that I saved from a magpie attack in our garden. They operate 24/7 and have their own vet onsite.

It should be a really interesting watch. Jess

Mon 22nd	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Mon 22nd	Bridge Club	1.00-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Tues 23rd	Hope Café/Soft Play <5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Tues 23rd	Homework Club	3.15-5.00pm	Westlands Lounge
Tues 23rd	Bible Trek	7.30-9.15pm	CHS
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	10.00-12.00	Widford Vill. Hall
Thurs 25th	Homework Club	3.15-5.00om	Westlands Lounge
Thurs 25th	Choir	7.00-8.00pm	CHS
Fri 26th	Craft Club	3.15-4.15pm	Parish Centre
Sat 27th	Messy Church	10.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Sat 27th	Youth Group	7.00-8.30pm	Westlands Lounge
Sun 28th	All Age Worship	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun 28th	Praise and Worship	10.30am	CHS

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Monday: Bob

Tuesday (Churchtalk): Barbara O

Wednesday: Jess

Thursday: Shirley+Val

Friday: Barbara J

Let us remember today, the 21st April, those living in, Robjohns Road and Rookes Crescent, also, Lisa, Doreen R and Marjorie R, from our Parish prayer directory. Also at this time, Lisa Q and family.

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 <u>07368136770</u>

for specific prayer requests.

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

South Essex Wildlife Hospital

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??

