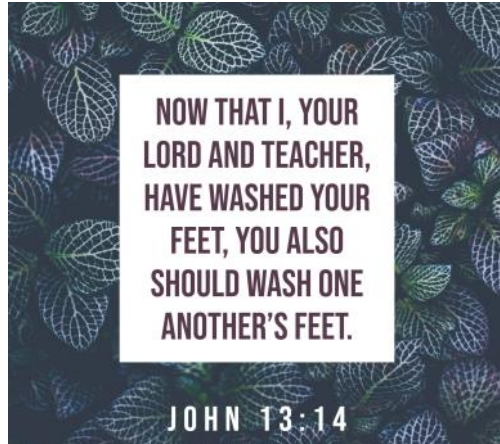


Welcome to our Services



Holy Communion, St. Mary's. 9.30am

**All Age Café Church, Church of the Holy Spirit,
10.30am**

Readings: Acts 7. 55-end and John 13. 1-14

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 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

Hope Café are low on tea plates, if you could spare any that would be great. Charity shops are good for this sort of thing, if possible an eclectic range would be wonderful. Thank you!

There will be an afternoon tea at St. Mary's on Monday 8th May, from 2pm, to celebrate the King's Coronation. If you are able to contribute any of the following it would be greatly appreciated. Cakes, scones, sausage rolls, sausages on sticks, quiche or anything else you think would be enjoyed. There is a list at the back of St. Mary's, to save us doubling up on items. Many thanks.

It is planned to show the King's Coronation on the big screen at CHS for all those who would like to watch it as a group. Broadcast times are not yet known. Please speak to a member of the leadership team at CHS if you are keen to join.

Are you on the Church Electoral Roll? If not and you would like to be able to vote at the APCM, then now is the time to join. Please ask for a registration form.

We are trying a different date and time for the APCM this year. It will be held at CHS on Sunday 4th June, commencing at approximately 11.15am. It is hoped that as many people as possible will make their way from St. Mary's to attend and join the CHS congregation for the meeting.

The Youth Group are hoping to do another Safari Supper on Saturday 13th May. 7.00-8.30pm, if you could host us for 20/25 mins and have a game or something fun/interesting and some food. We just need one more host! Please speak to Jess.

Tuesday 16th May, 10.00-12.00, there will be a Bring and Buy Sale at the Parish Centre. This will be held in conjunction with the Hope Café and the total proceeds from both events will be donated to Christian Aid.

New Wine

Join in one of the New Wine weeks or come for the day. This year it is at Kent Event Centre, Maidstone, Kent. ME14 3JF. Keith and Sheila will be attending New Wine 26-30th July and Stephanie and Roger will be there for 1-5th August 2023.

Advanced notice: Holiday Bible Club is taking place Mon 21st– Fri 25th August this year.

Oddments theatre company are currently touring ‘The Road to the Cross’ and will be coming to Chelmsford, Rayleigh and Maldon next week. The play follows Jesus’ journey with his disciples from Palm Sunday through to Pentecost.

The shows will be at Central Baptist Church on 10th May, Rayleigh Methodist Church on 11th May and Maldon Town Hall on 12th May. All performances will be 7.30pm-9.40pm. [Click here](#) for ticket info.

Mon 8th	Coronation Afternoon Tea	2.00-4.00pm	St. Mary's
Tues 9th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Tues 9th	Homework Club	3.15-5pm	Westlands Lounge
Tues 9th	Bible Trek	7.30-9.15pm	Widford Room
Wed 10th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	The Office
Wed 10th	Lunch Club	1pm-2:15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 10th	Wednesday Fellowship	2:15pm-4pm	Westlands Lounge
Wed 10th	Music Practice	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Thurs 11th	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00	Widford Vill. Hall
Thurs 11th	Homework Club	3.15-5pm	Westlands Lounge
Thurs 11th	Art Club AGM	6.00-10.00pm	Parish Centre
Thurs 11th	Choir	7-8pm	St. Mary's
Fri 12th	Craft Club	3.15-4.15pm	Parish Centre
Sun 14th	Morning Prayer	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun 14th	Praise & Worship	10:30am/11	CHS
Sun 14th	Celtic Praise	4.00 for 4.30	St. John's
Sun 14th	"The Chosen" series	7.00-9.00pm	Westlands Lounge

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

Let us remember today, the 7th,
those living in, Crompton Street and
Dane Road, also, Jackie and Joyce,
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:

Friends International

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Ministry in the UK & Ireland](#)

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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??



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