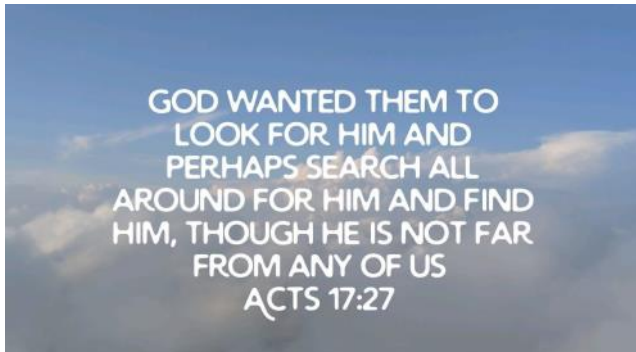


## Welcome to our Services



Morning Prayer, St. Mary's. 9.30am

Praise & Worship, Church of the Holy Spirit, 10.30am

Celtic Praise, St. John's, 4.00 for 4.30pm

Readings: Acts 17. 22-31 and John 14. 15-21

*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 Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father.  
Amen**

**Are you on the Church Electoral Roll? If you would like to be able to vote at the APCM, then now is the time to join. Please speak to Shirley.**

**We are trying a different date and time for the APCM this year. CHS on Sunday 4th June, at 11.15am.**

**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.**

## **Pilgrimage Ramble**

**Now that summer is approaching why not get out those walking boots and join your friends from Widford and our partner churches for a pilgrimage ramble? We aim to walk from Pleshey Church to Chelmsford Cathedral through the beautiful Essex countryside, mainly on footpaths, following rivers and going through woods and fields visiting a number of churches on our way. The final part will involve some road walking and following the Bunny walk into town.**

**This will be a relaxed day with plenty of stops, not a route march! We are allowing the whole day but expect to be back in Chelmsford around 3pm and we will head off for refreshments after a quick visit to the Cathedral to end the pilgrimage. There will be an opportunity to bail out at The Angel in Broomfield for anyone who is flagging!**

**You will need to bring water, snacks and a packed lunch plus suitable footwear and clothing. Let's pray that the weather will be kind to us! We are suggesting that people get dropped off at 9:15am at Pleshey Church for a 9:30am start, but we can arrange to get people back to their cars at the end if need be. Please contact Jess (Widford) or Jacky (St John's) if you would like to join in, or have any questions.**

**Thank you to all who made our Coronation cream tea a great afternoon. Everyone had a wonderful time and there was so much food!**

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 are going 26-30th July and Stephanie and Roger will be there for 1-5th August.

Songs of Praise is coming to Colchester's Castle Park Bandstand and we would love you to join us to be part of our outdoor recording of hymns and songs on Saturday 10th June at Castle Park Bandstand, Upper Park, Castle Park, Colchester, CO1 1UN from 13:30 – 16:30.

All tickets to our recordings are free, please

contact [SOPcongregations@afantimedia.tv](mailto:SOPcongregations@afantimedia.tv) with your name, contact phone number and the number of tickets you'd like.

Please be sure to include 'Songs of Praise Colchester' in your subject header. Alternatively, you can call 07734 030 888 to book your tickets.



### Messy Church will be on Saturday 20th May

Mon 15th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Mon 15th	Bridge Club	1.00-4.30pm	Parish Centre
Tues 16th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Tues 16th	Homework Club	3.15-5pm	Westlands Lounge
Tues 16th	Bible Trek	7.30-9.15pm	Widford Room
Wed 17th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	The Office
Wed 17th	Lunch Club	1pm-2:15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 17th	Wednesday Fellowship	2:15pm-4pm	Westlands Lounge
Wed 17th	Music Practice	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Thurs 18th	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00	Widford Vill. Hall
Thurs 18th	Homework Club	3.15-5pm	Westlands Lounge
Thurs 18th	Beechlands Ladies Group	2.00-4.00pm	CHS
Thurs 18th	Choir	6-7pm	St. Mary's
Thurs 18th	Ascension Day	7.30pm	St. Mary's
Fri 19th	Craft Club	3.15-4.15pm	Parish Centre
Sat 20th	Messy Church	10.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Sun 21st	Holy Communion	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun 21st	Morning Praise (coffee at end)	11.00am	CHS

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Mr Bob Wiseman (St Mary's)

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

Let us remember today, the 14th,  
those living in, Hillside Grove and  
Hillside Mews, also, Val H, Lynette  
and Ellis and Jean, Michelle and  
Jayden, 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:

### The Edapals (Ali, Keshule and family)

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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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