



Sunday 21st May 2023

### **Welcome to our Services**

And welcome Andy Myall, who is here to talk to us about Grassroots work in Kyrgyzstan



Holy Communion, St. Mary's. 9.30am

Morning Praise, Church of the Holy Spirit, 11.00 am (coffee at end)

Readings: Acts 1. 6-14 and John 17. 1-11

Sunday Services will continue to be streamed on facebook

CHS: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/widfordparishchelmsford/">https://www.facebook.com/widfordparishchelmsford/</a>

St Mary's: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/stmaryswidford/">https://www.facebook.com/stmaryswidford/</a>

#### 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 Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, 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.

Chelmsford College students will be coming to the café on Tuesday 23rd May, to run one of their craft workshops. Do come and enjoy. Stephanie

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.

Messy Church will be this Saturday 20th May and we will be learning about Jesus' miracle of feeding 5000 + people!



Message from Keith: wondering why the grass is long? It's No Mow May! As part of our support for the environment and to support insect pollination this spring, we are avoiding mowing the lawn outside CHS this month. In June we will restart mowing the grass and restore the wildflower meadow area at the east end of the lawn.

Would you like to help plan for our Praise and Worship Service at CHS on Sunday 11th June, starting at 6.30pm. Please let Stephanie know, thank you.

Sign up sheet at the back of each church for our Pilgrimage ramble taking place on Saturday 3rd June. Walking from the Pleshey retreat centre to Chelmsford Cathedral—about 8/9 miles—bring a packed lunch, drinks and a snack. There will be plenty of stops and a chance to enjoy the beautiful countryside-any questions speak to Jess or Jacky L. More details in last week's Churchtalk.

A huge thank you to James and Gill, Pam and Zoe, Robert and Maureen for hosting us on our Safari Supper last Saturday! We all had a great

time of food and fellowship.



Last week's
Coronation cream tea raised
£96 in donations, towards this
year's Christian Aid appeal!



Mon 22nd	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Mon 22nd	Bridge Club	1.00-4.30pm	Parish Centre
Mon 22nd	Rainbows	4.30-5.30pm	Parish Centre
Tues 23rd	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Tues 23rd	Homework Club	3.15-5pm	Westlands Lounge
Tues 23rd	Bible Trek	7.30-9.15pm	Widford Room
Wed 24th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	The Office
Wed 24th	Lunch Club	1pm-2:15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 24th	Wednesday Fellowship	2:15pm-4pm	Westlands Lounge
Wed 24th	Music Practice	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Thurs 25th	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00	Widford Vill. Hall
Thurs 25th	Homework Club	3.15-5pm	Westlands Lounge
Thurs 25th	Choir	7.00-8.00pm	St. Mary's
Fri 26th	Craft Club	3.15-4.15pm	Parish Centre
Sat 27th	Art Club	9.00-2.00	Parish Centre
Sun 28th	All Age Worship	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun 28th	Holy Communion	11.00am	CHS
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## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION:

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#### Churchwardens:-

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Monday: Bob

Tuesday (Churchtalk): Barbara O

Wednesday: Jess

Thursday: Shirley + Val

Friday: Sylvia

Let us remember today, the 21st, those living in, Robjohns Road and Rookes Crescent, also, Lisa, Doreen R. and Marjorie R., 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 <u>07368136770</u> for specific prayer requests. Please also remember in your prayers our tithe charities, this week:

# Hugh Pilcher (Jesus loves the little children) in Uganda

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And <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">https://www.facebook.com/</a> 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??

