

Welcome to our Services



We Welcome Bishop Guli

***United Service, Holy Communion and Advent,
St. Mary's, 10.00am***

Readings: Isaiah 11. 1-10 and Matthew 3. 1-10

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 7th December. 2nd Sunday of Advent

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and Saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. Amen

Eco tip: With Christmas on the way, consider more sustainable ways to give gifts. Shop locally and support small businesses, thereby reducing your carbon footprint. Alternatively can you make gifts for your family and friends.

**“Messy Christmas” - Saturday 13th December,
10am-12 noon @ CHS, all ages welcome.**



It is with great sadness, we announce the sudden death of one of our church family, Chris Button—well known for his love of music and cake. Chris was a very generous (and stubborn!) man who stood up for what he believed in and he supported Hope Café from the start. Now standing in the presence of his Lord and Saviour. He will be missed. Details of his funeral will be posted in due course.

Christmas update from Hugh... God the Holy Spirit is doing more in my life... I preached at the local prison recently and 5 men knelt and gave their lives to Christ. Also the ministry to vulnerable children and their mums is going better than ever! Praise Jesus! Please pray for Hugh as he sorts out his Ugandan visa following having his laptop and passport stolen.

Some pictures from the first Sunday of Advent in Widford!





Invite your neighbours and friends for our informal carol singing around the bonfire at St Mary's! Saturday 6th December from 4pm!

There will be hot chocolate, mulled juice and maybe even some s'mores!!!

If you are available to help serve drinks please message Jess!

DUST IT OFF ORCHESTRA!.... Starting 13th January at CHS

10:30am-12:30pm. Meeting fortnightly (13th & 27th Jan/ 10th & 24th Feb/ 10th & 24th March). Strings, woodwind and brass instruments! Any level, dust off your instrument!

Mon 8th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9am-12 noon	Parish Centre
Mon 8th	Bridge Club	1pm-4pm	Parish Centre
Mon 8th	Rainbows	4.30pm-5.30pm	Parish Centre
Tues 9th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9am-12 noon	Parish Centre
Tues 9th	Bible Trek	7.30pm -9.15pm	CHS
Wed 10th	Morning Prayer	9:15am	CHS
Wed 10th	Lunch Club	1pm -2:15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 10th	Wednesday Fellowship	2:30pm - 4pm	Parish Centre
Wed 10th	Music Practice	7:30pm-9pm	CHS
Thurs 11th	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00	Widford Vill. Hall
Fri 12th	Craft Club	3.30-4.30pm	Parish Centre
Fri 12th	Youth Club	7.00-8.30pm	CHS/PC
Sat 13th	Christmas Messy Church	10am -12 noon	Parish Centre
Sun 14th	Carols by Candlelight	4.30pm	St Mary's
Sun 14th	Praise and Worship	10.00am	CHS

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Barbara Jones

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Mon: Bob

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Weds:

Thurs: Shirley+ Val

Friday: Barbara J



**Scan to Give
Thank you!**



Let us remember today, the 7th,
those living in, Widford Chase and
Harewood Road, also, from our
prayer directory, Jackie D and
Stacey, Graham & 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 [07368136770](tel:07368136770)

for specific prayer requests.
Please also remember in your
prayers our tithe charities, this
week:-

CHES

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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
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