

## Welcome to our Services



**Morning Prayer, St. Mary's, 9.30am**

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

**Readings. [Job 1.1; 2. 1-10](#) and [Mark 10. 2-16](#)**

### 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 19th Sunday after Trinity

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Have you been confirmed, would you like to be confirmed? There is a confirmation service planned at St. Michael's in Galleywood on Sunday 20th October at 3.00pm. Please speak to Stephanie/Keith/Barbara/Bob for more information on preparation classes.

Colin and Hannah Groves are collecting newspapers for a Scouts project. Please pass on to Colin. Many thanks

Please plan ahead for Tuesday 22nd October @ 7.00pm, CHS, to see the production of "If Prison Walls could speak" - the story of Petr Jasek who was locked up for 445 days in a Sudanese prison. Tickets £5.50 available from the church office - invite your friends!

DELIBERATELY LOCKED UP WITH ISIS  
TERRORISTS, HIS STORY IS BRUTAL AND  
SHOCKING

ARTLESS USE IMAGINATIVE VISUALS TO CONVEY  
THE HORROR OF WHAT 360,000,000  
PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS FACE EVERY DAY

## Eco Tip. Brilliant biodegradables!

While we cannot always control where products we dispose of will end up, we can purchase products made of non-synthetic ingredients that are biodegradable. To limit the impact of this waste, when disposed of, biodegradable products break down due to contact with bacteria and fungi, and can disappear harmlessly through natural processes. Such products might include recycled toilet paper, natural ingredient shampoo or deodorant, bamboo toothbrushes or washcloths made from hemp or agave fibres.

Many thanks from Shirley to everyone for the beautiful cards, lovely messages, great cake (with numbered 90 candles) and spectacular balloons. I am indeed richly blessed to have such lovely people in my life.



## “Love your Neighbour” an important opportunity to help

St Luke's Church has discovered that their hall roof has reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in it (RAAC) that must be addressed for safety reasons.

They have had quotes in and need £86,200 to rectify it.

To get the work started as soon as they can, and apply for matched grant funding, they need to raise £43,100 by October and have been making efforts to raise this.

We'd like to help our neighbours and fellow worshippers in South West Chelmsford Churches. Our Parish funds are such that we can afford to help them, as we hope they would help us if we were faced with a similar challenge—partnership in action!

At the last PCC meeting we agreed immediately to give them a donation of £5,000 from our Church funds and top this up with a loan of £5,000. In addition, we agreed to give individuals in our parish the opportunity to donate directly towards helping them pay off the loan. If you would like to help in this way you can do so anonymously by writing a cheque payable to Widford Parish PCC and send it to me in a sealed envelope marked “For St. Luke's roof”

This will then be allocated as a repayment of the loan and reduce the amount St Luke's need to repay to us. ***Peter Wood (Widford PCC Treasurer)***

Mon 7th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Mon 7th	Bridge Club	1.00-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Mon 7th	Rainbows	4.30-5.30pm	Parish Centre
Tues 8th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Tues 8th	Bible Trek	7.30-9.15pm	Westlands Lounge
Wed 9th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	CHS
Wed 9th	Lunch Club	1.00-2.15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 9th	Wednesday Fellowship	2.30-4.00pm	Parish Centre/CHS
Wed 9th	Music Practice	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Thurs 10th	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00	Widford Vill. Hall
Thurs 10th	Art Club	6.45-9.15 pm	Parish Centre
Sat 12th	Come and Play	9.00-12.00	CHS
Sat 12th	Art Club	9.30-3.30	Parish Centre
Sun 13th	Morning Prayer	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun 13th	Praise and Worship	10.30am	CHS

## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION:

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### Churchwardens:-

Mrs Barbara Jones

Mr Keith Schofield

Mr Bob Wiseman (St M. deputy)

### Parish Safeguarding Officer

Mrs Barbara Jones

### Safeguarding Assistant

Mrs Karen Cooney

### Treasurer

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### St Mary's Church

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### The Parish Office and CHS:-

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The office is open Mon-Fri

10.00am—12:00pm, but the email  
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Monday: Bob

Tuesday (Churchtalk): Barbara O

Wednesday: Jess

Thursday: Shirley+Val

Friday: Barbara J

Let us remember today, the 6th September, those living in, Campbell Close and Charnwood Avenue, also, Tracy and Alan and Shirley, 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:

### CPAS

### Christian Pastoral Aid Society

At <https://www.facebook.com/widfordparishchelmsford/>

And <https://www.facebook.com/stmaryswidford/>

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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