

## **Welcome to our Services**

FEAR NOT, LITTLE FLOCK;  
FOR IT IS YOUR FATHER'S  
GOOD PLEASURE TO GIVE  
YOU THE KINGDOM.

—LUKE 12:32



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

**Praise and Worship, CHS, 10.30am**

**Readings: Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20 and Luke 12: 32-40**

### **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 8th Sunday after Trinity

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

*An interesting article from Bob from a recent book he read...*

### **A Century of Scouting linking Widford with Exeter**

Those of you who have lived in Chelmsford for 20 years or more will remember that the Centenary of Scouting celebrated the World Jamboree at Hylands Park in 2007. Lots of Scouts including some from USA visited St.Marys.

Correspondingly General Baden-Powell (later Lord) visited the YMCA Exeter in 1907 and spoke to a large gathering of many local dignitaries including the Mayor, Mr. H. Gadd, who was also president of the YMCA. There was much cheering and applauding during the evening when Baden-Powell introduced them to his vision of Scouting among boys.

He believed that any Briton who had any salt in him at all was willing to do something for his country. There were many fellows who said the country was going on all right. What could humble individuals like themselves, among thousands of others do to help it on? It was possible for everyone to do a good turn for his country. They could take the boys of the country and teach them scouting and they would find it a very interesting, in fact, a charming occupation. All the attributes that made a good scout were those which made good citizens. Scouts had to be very observant fellows, to have all their wits about them and use them in whatever work they were engaged and to serve their neighbours to the best of their ability without first thinking of their own good, comfort or safety.

B-P continued, it was true there were some 270,000 boys who were being looked after by the Boys' Brigade, the YMCA, the Church Lads' Brigade and other organisations but there were 1,750,000 who had no kind of good influence brought to bear upon them to induce them to become good citizens. Much remained to be done outside of school to

give them character and to make men of them. The country wanted the help of men in this direction and if they could not think of a better way than his he appealed to them to try it, because it was better to do something than to sit down and do nothing at all for their country. What he wanted to do was to attract boys as much as possible and that in teaching them scouting they would find underlying it good citizenship...

***TBC next week....***

**If you would like to sponsor a rose and have a plaque in memory of a loved one in the Garden of Remembrance (at St Mary's), please speak to Bob W.**

**St Mary's working party day! SAT 9th AUGUST from 10am....  
There will be drinks and cake provided!  
Jobs include: clearing away ivy, cleaning around the down pipes and lots of other fun tasks!**

**Messy Church:-**

**Friday 22nd August 10am-12. The theme is Saul finds Jesus.**

**\*\*\*\*Copies of the new church directory are now available from Bob or Pam\*\*\*\***

**The next quilting session will be at St. Luke's on Saturday 30th August at 11am. All are welcome to come and join in.  
Stephanie and Barbara G.**

**The next united service with St Michael's and St Luke's will be Sunday 31st August at 1pm, St Michael's copse area. This is an outdoor event, so bring a picnic and come dressed for whatever the weather might throw at us!**

<b>Mon 11th</b>	Bridge Club	1.00-4.00pm	Parish Centre
<b>Wed 13th</b>	Morning Prayer	9:15am	CHS
<b>Wed 13th</b>	Music Practise	7:30pm-9pm	CHS
<b>Sun 17th</b>	Morning Prayer	9:30am	St Mary's
<b>Sun 17th</b>	Praise and Worship	10:30am	CHS

## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION:

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Keith Schofield

### **Parish Safeguarding Officer**

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### **St Mary's Church**

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*Mon:* Bob

*Tues (Churchtalk):* Barbara O

*Weds:*

*Thurs:* Shirley+ Val

*Friday:* Barbara J

**Scan to Give**

**Thank you!**



Let us remember on Sunday 10th August: Stansted Close and Joseph Place also, from our Parish prayer directory: Stephanie and Roger.

**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:-

[Grassroots Trust Kyrgyzstan](http://GrassrootsTrustKyrgyzstan)

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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