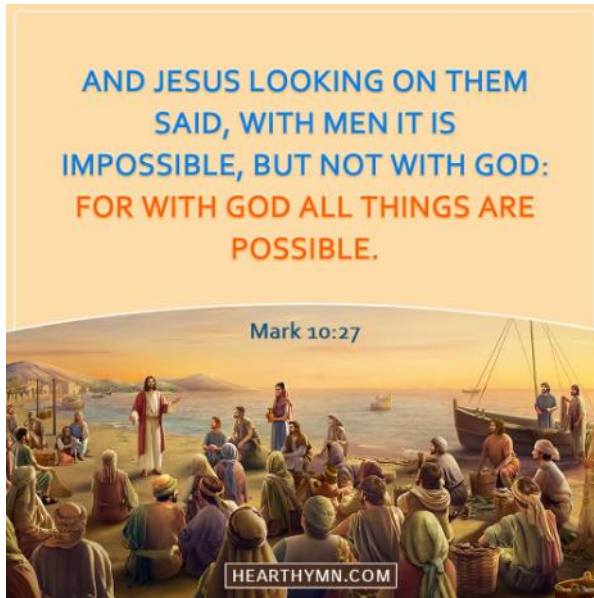


Welcome to our Services



Morning Prayer, St. Mary's, 9.30am

**Praise and Worship, Church of the Holy Spirit,
10.30am**

Readings. Job 23. 1-9, 16-end and Mark 10. 17-31

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 20th Sunday after Trinity

God, our light and our salvation: illuminate our lives, that we may see your goodness in the land of the living, and looking on your beauty may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

☐ **Colin and Hannah Groves are collecting newspapers for a Scouts project. Please pass on to Colin. This is the last week. Many thanks**

Eco Tip: Classic style beats fast fashion

You can make easy alterations and repairs to your clothing to keep them longer or adjust to current trends. Vintage and second hand outlets will offer more affordable alternative options, often based on the same clothing items.

If you want some new clothing, be sure it's of good quality and lasts a long time. You can also research sustainable brands that limit the impact of production and are transparent about their supply chains.

There is a confirmation service at St. Michael's , Galleywood, on Sunday 20th October at 3.00pm. Please come along and support Paula, James and Chris from our congregation.

The Diocese are running a [Course in Christian Studies](#) starting in

January 2025. There is a charge of 150.00 per year so the total cost is £300.00. There are some simple forms to complete .

There is a taster session on Saturday 2nd November at the Chapter House from 10am-12noon. For anyone who wants to explore the course. The course runs for 2 years

Locally there will be 2 venues where you can study:

Weekly at The Diocesan Office on Wednesdays 10am-12noon

Or Monthly at Pleshey Retreat House on Tuesdays from 10am-3pm.

The other option is a weekly evening session on Zoom details of which are yet to be released.

Essex Christian Healing Trust AGM to be held at CHS on 26th October open to all. There is a £20.00 charge. See poster for details.

“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 wanted 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 14th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Mon 14th	Rainbows	4.30-5.30pm	Parish Centre
Tues 15th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Tues 15th	Bible Trek	7.30-9.15pm	Westlands Lounge
Wed 16th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	CHS
Wed 16th	Lunch Club	1.00-2.15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 16th	Wednesday Fellowship	2.15-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Wed 16th	Music Practice	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Thurs 17th	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00	Widford Vill. Hall
Thurs 17th	Beechlands Ladies	2.00-4.00pm	CHS
Thurs 17th	Art Club	6.45-9.15 pm	Parish Centre
Sat 19th	Messy Church	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre/CHS
Sun 20th	Holy Communion	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun 20th	Holy Communion	10.30am	CHS
Sun 20th	Confirmation Service	3.00pm	St. Michael's

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Monday: Bob

Tuesday (Churchtalk): Barbara O

Wednesday: Jess

Thursday: Shirley+Val

Friday: Barbara J

Let us remember today, the 13th September, those living in, Hatfield Grove and Hillside Mews, also, Jenny Gymer and Maureen Hart, 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 [07368136770](tel:07368136770) for specific prayer requests.

Please also remember in your prayers our tithe charities, this week:

Friends International (International student Ministry)

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

And <https://www.facebook.com/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??



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