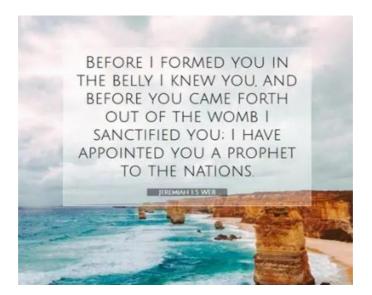




Welcome to our Services



All Age Worship, St. Mary's, 9.30am

Praise and Worship, CHS, 10.30am

Readings: <u>Jeremiah 1: 4-10</u> and <u>Luke 13: 10-17</u>

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 10th Sunday after Trinity

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Holiday month at St Mary's - Poem by Shirley, The Parish Poet!

Bob's working party tackled weeds And other jobs galore. Fearless Tammy climbed a ladder To work above the floor.



Daniel, the unseen pianist, Kept the music flowing Though absent in Corfu? Skegness? Lost where he was going!

Thanks to Jess and her expertise, Remotely to compile Lo, *Churchtalk* appeared each week With a different style.





Those who celebrated birthdays Shared delicious cakes Clearing up the crumbs? Alfie's tongue Is ready, all it takes.

Stephanie and Roger have left us for a while, may they enjoy happy days of leisure, on Wight's green, peaceful Isle.





On the last day of August we're united once again,
With St Luke's in St Michael's copse Praying there is no rain!

DATES FOR AUGUST

Messy Church:-

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

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!

GENERAL NOTICES

Trip to Potter's Village 2026 (21st March—5th April)

If you are interested in visiting Potters Village next spring, and would like some more information about what that would entail, contact Jess.

Update from Ali and Keshule (Kenyan ministry)

Keshule will be spending Christmas with family in Lodwar, he will be meeting with each pastor for prayer, support and encouragement. He will also spend time with students to mentor and inspire them and participate in a youth meeting! Please pray for travelling mercies.

Some praise points:

- 3/7 church buildings have been built
- Honey production is underway, with more training needed for harvesting!
- Several students continue with their studies at different levels (primary school through to graduating university!)

This week's diary:			
Mon 25th	BANK HOLIDAY		
Wed 27th	Music Practise	7:30pm-9pm	CHS
Sun 31st	Holy Communion	9:30am	St Mary's
Sun 31st	Holy Communion	10:30am	CHS
Sun 31st	United Service outdoors + bring picnic	1pm—	St Michael's Galleywood

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Weds:

Thurs: Shirley+ Val

Friday: Barbara J

Scan to Give Thank you!



Let us remember on Sunday 24th August: Wood Street and London Road also, from our Parish prayer directory: Keith & Sheila and Hilary & Paul.

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:-

Open Doors

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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 Widford Parish and links to partner organisations. Why not check it out??

