

Welcome to our Services



Morning Prayer, St. Mary's. 9.30am

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

Readings: Genesis 25. 19-end and Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

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 Sunday 12th July. Trinity 6

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Bradwell Pilgrimage, 4th July 2026

Christians of all denominations, from Essex and East London (and beyond) met for an open-air service at St Thomas' Church, Bradwell-on-Sea. The Salvation Army Band accompanied the singing here - and at the Chapel. Praying that God would be the companion of our journey, we set out on the walk to St Peter's Chapel, chatting to begin with, but silently as we neared our destination. In line with the theme "Living Stones", we each carried a stone, which we placed as a small cairn, beneath the wooden cross. Outside St Peter's Chapel, we had a second time of worship. The usual 'slot' for a keynote speaker was, this year, allocated to five testimonies; each sharing a recent experience of our Lord's working in their life. One young man told us that he had been prompted to investigate St Thomas' Church by his annoyance that cars were parked on his local playing field, by pilgrims to Bradwell in July 2025! He is now an enthusiastic Christian!

There followed a couple of hours – time to eat our picnics/ purchase refreshments; to explore the beautiful area, the Othona Community and various stalls. Finally, a closing act of worship, in which we prayed "Lord, may your kingdom come" and "We go as your living stones, O Lord; send us in your peace. "The next Bradwell Pilgrimage is due on 3rd July 2027. It's well worth saving the date! Pam and Zoe



St. Mary's are having a Songs of Praise on Sunday 30th August.
There will be a sign up sheet for suggestions, please be prepared
to say a few words about your choice if you can. Thank you.
Stephanie

There is a
quilting
session on
Saturday 25th
July, 11.00-12.00
at St. Lukes.

Messy Church is
coming up on
Saturday 18th
July!



Mon 13th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Mon 13th	Bridge Club	1.00-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Mon 13th	Rainbows	4.30-5.30pm	Parish Centre
Tues 14th	Hope Café/Soft Play<5>	9.00-12.00	Parish Centre
Tues 14th	Dust it off Orchestra	10.30-12.30	CHS
Tues 14th	Bible Trek	7.30-9.15pm	CHS
Wed 15th	Morning Prayer	9.15am	CHS
Wed 15th	Lunch Club	1.00-2.15pm	Parish Centre
Wed 15th	Wednesday Fellowship	2.30-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Wed 15th	Music Practice	7.30-9.00pm	CHS
Thurs 16th	Widford Waddlers	10.00-12.00	Widford Vill Hall
Thurs 16th	Beechlands Ladies Grp	2.00-4.00pm	Parish Centre
Fri 17th	Messy Friday	3.15-4.30pm	Parish Centre
Sun 19th	Holy Communion	9.30am	St. Mary's
Sun 19th	Holy Communion	10.30am	CHS

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Weds: Bob (limited opening)

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Thank you!



Let us remember today, the 12th, those living in, Writtle Road and Robjohns Road, also, from our prayer directory, Colin G and Paula, Dan & Copper.

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:-

[Open Doors](#)

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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