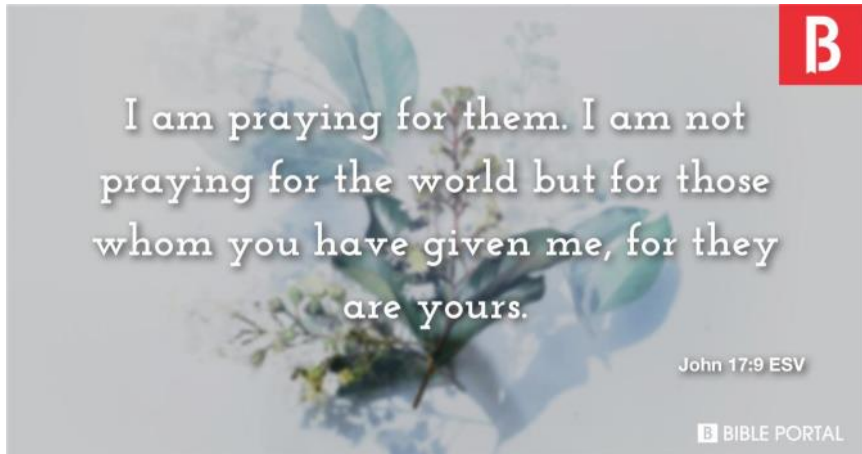


## Welcome to our Services



**Holy Communion, St. Mary's. 9.30am**

**Holy Communion, Church of the  
Holy Spirit, 10.30am**

**Readings: Acts 1. 6-14 and John 17. 1-11**

### 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 17th May. 7th Sunday of Easter

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

### Eco Tips:

If you see a an animal like this they have balloon syndrome



and needs help ASAP!

This is the effects of this pigeon being bitten by a cat which ruptured his air sack.



Fledglings are particularly vulnerable at this time of year.

Please return filled Christian Aid envelopes to the office or hand to Shirley or Linda by the 19th May. Thank you for your support.

Please pray for all students taking their GCSE's at the moment. Some of the old youth group are amongst them!

The next Messy Church is taking place on Saturday 16th May! The theme is Pentecost!

The bacteria in cat saliva are toxic to wildlife.



Even if the animal appears okay, they needs a rehabber and a round of antibiotics in order to survive. Without treatment, the outlook is grim.

### JOIN US FOR ALL AGE FUN!

GRAFTS Bible LUNCH  
TOYS STORY JESUS

10 am - 12 noon

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

FOREST DRIVE

FREE

CHILDREN WITH AN ADULT



We have two single futons we no longer need and would like to see them go to a new home. They are very heavy and bulky so whoever collects them would need a large car/van to pick them up. They are both similar to this, one navy blue one cream. Please speak to Laura or Matt (St M).



South Essex Wildlife Hospital have put out a plea for any spare/old towels, duvet covers and sheets (not duvets) for the wild animals they have constantly coming into their care!

Hospital Address:

South Essex Wildlife Hospital  
Orsett road  
Orsett, Essex  
RM16 3BH

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| <b>Mon 18th</b>   | Hope Café/Soft Play<5> | 9.00-12.00  | Parish Centre    |
| <b>Mon 18th</b>   | Bridge Club            | 1.00-4.00pm | Parish Centre    |
| <b>Mon 18th</b>   | Rainbows               | 4.30-5.30pm | Parish Centre    |
| <b>Tues 19th</b>  | Hope Café/Soft Play<5> | 9.00-12.00  | Parish Centre    |
| <b>Tues 19th</b>  | Bible Trek             | 7.30-9.15pm | CHS              |
| <b>Wed 20th</b>   | Morning Prayer         | 9.15am      | CHS              |
| <b>Wed 20th</b>   | Lunch Club             | 1.00-2.15pm | Parish Centre    |
| <b>Wed 20th</b>   | Wednesday Fellowship   | 2.30-4.00pm | Parish Centre    |
| <b>Wed 20th</b>   | Music Practice         | 7.30-9.00pm | CHS              |
| <b>Thurs 21st</b> | Beechlands Ladies      | 2.00-4.00pm | Parish Centre    |
| <b>Thurs 21st</b> | Widford Waddlers       | 10.00-12.00 | Widford Vil.Hall |
| <b>Fri 22nd</b>   | Messy Friday           | 3.15-4.30pm | Parish Centre    |
| <b>Sun 24th</b>   | All Age Worship        | 9.30am      | St. Mary's       |
| <b>Sun 24th</b>   | Praise and Worship     | 10.30am     | CHS              |

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Barbara Jones

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Mon: Bob

Tues (Ctalk): Barbara O

Weds:

Thurs: Shirley+ Val

Friday: Barbara J

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**Thank you!**



Let us remember today, the 17th, those living in, Ashtree Crescent and Ashtree Close, also, from our prayer directory, Sandra K and Amy L.

**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:-

[Christian Aid](#)

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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