

CHRIST CHURCH AND ST MARK'S, WATFORD

Sunday 12th May 2019
The Fourth Sunday of Easter

"God's love at the heart of all our activities and communities"

Welcome to Worship today:

9.30am – **St Mark's:** Morning Prayer
11.00am – **Christ Church:** Holy Communion

Readings: *Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13;*
Acts 9:36-43; John 10:22-30

LET'S PRAY - Collect:

Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father. Amen

For Lift Off! Messy Breakfast, Explorers, Messy Tots, Ignite and Messy Church – for the children, leaders and for the volunteers who are covering and for Claire whilst she is on maternity leave after the safe arrival of baby Caitlyn.

Those that are suffering at this present time:

Reuben (4 years old), Cynthia & Norman's son Matt & family, David Miller, Mick Sleeper and Jenny who is caring for Mick, Yemi, Greta (Caroline Penn's mother), Clem Lewis, Christopher (Maira Morgan's brother), Joy Lee, Thelma & Jasper Chiwuzie, Laura Mackie (Bob & Margaret's daughter), Geoffrey Stevens, Pippa, Elspeth, David, Charlie, Simon, Julie, Arthur MacLean, Nicola, Bishop Wilson & his family, Ben Fidelia

Thank you – John Harston would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers; he is pleased to report that he is now better.

Please pray for those who have died: Mrs Agnes Stewart – an ex parishioner of Christ Church. Agnes' daughter has requested your prayers please in remembrance of her mum, who died last week in Draycott in the Clay in Derbyshire.

The people living in our parish especially in:
St George's Road, Salisbury Road and Sandown Road

and among those we know who are frail or who have long term illnesses : *Christopher Browne, Pat Holmes, Edmond Nyathie (Elizabeth's son), Barbara Petherbridge, Marion Ray, Kim Smith and Ryan*

Please pray for our Link Churches: the Christian community at Kwa Mkono, Tanzania; and the Diocese of Ibba, Sudan.

CONTACTS: Vicar: Rev Duncan Campbell
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Children's & Families Outreach Worker: In Claire's absence Shirley Lewens will be looking at emails admin@liftoff.org.uk, in the evenings and she will reply accordingly. If you wish to speak to anybody please contact Duncan in the first instance.

Parish Office: Lynne Mallows (email: ccwatford@btinternet.com)

Day <i>Morning Prayer readings</i>	TIME	SERVICE / ACTIVITY
Mon 13th <i>Ps 103; Eph 4:1-16</i>	3.45- 4.45pm	Lift Off! Explorers at St Mark's
Tues 14th <i>Ps 147:1-12; Acts 2:37-end (St Matthias)</i>	9.30- 11.00am 7.30pm NB	Lift Off! Messy Tots at St Mark's Deanery Synod Meeting moved to St Mary's church Gather Round..Ladies has been cancelled this month. Resume in June.
Wed 15th <i>Ps 135; Eph 5:1-14</i>	10.00am	Holy Communion at Christ Church
Thur 16th <i>Ps 118; Eph 5:15-end</i>		
Fri 17th <i>Ps 33; Eph 6:1-9</i>	4.30- 6.00pm	Lift Off! Ignite at St Mark's
Sat 18th	10.00- 2.00pm NB	Lift Off! Gardening Club at Christ Church Vicarage (next to St Mark's) Kwa Mkono Quiz Night postponed to 22 nd June.

NEXT SUNDAY: 19th May 2019 **The Fifth Sunday after Easter**

8.00am – **Christ Church:** Holy Communion followed by breakfast
9.30am – **St Mark's:** Holy Communion
11.00am – **Christ Church:** Morning Prayer followed by Fairtrade Stall
4.00pm – **Christ Church:** Messy Church

Readings: *Rev 21:1-6; Acts 11:1-18; John 13:31-35;*

NEWS:

Water Aid – when a community gets clean water for the first time, it's the start of something truly life-changing. Thank you to all who generously donated towards making this happen. The total sum raised was £1051.55. Ray A.

Churches Together in North Watford and Garston – are holding an afternoon tea to say goodbye to Reverend Chris Cottee and Father Pat Foley who are retiring. You are all invited, 1st June at St Peters Church, Bushey Mill Lane. Please be seated for 3pm. To book your place call 01923 677751 or irene@allwilson.com. See poster.

Herts Constabulary will be conducting a major incident training exercise at the Intu Centre on Sunday 14th July 2019 from 6-11pm (once the centre is closed to the public). They need 400-500 volunteers of different ages to act as shoppers within the centre. You will be asked to act as if you were a member of the public involved in a real life major incident. It's important to stress that there is currently no intelligence to suggest there is a specific threat to the Intu Centre in Watford, or Herts as a whole. If you'd like to help, contact Corvina@Herts.pnn.police.uk with your name, date of birth, place of birth and contact number and/or email address. Further instructions will be given nearer the time and a briefing given on the day. The Town Centre chaplaincy and Street Angels are taking part.