

# NOTICE SHEET for SUNDAY 17th AUGUST 2025

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**‘God’s love at the heart of all our activities and communities’**

## **CHRIST CHURCH & ST MARK’S, WATFORD**

**Priest-in-Charge, the Revd Vicki Davies.**

### **Ninth Sunday after Trinity**

#### **READINGS**

Hebrews 11.29 – 12.2; Luke 12.49-56

#### **SERVICES**

9.30am Holy Communion at St Mark’s.

11.00am Morning Prayer at Christ Church.

#### **COVID–19:**

Please respect others’ social distancing; continue to wear a mask if you wish.

Please wash or sanitise your hands on arrival.

We are playing music and singing.

If you feel unwell, please do not come.

For your monetary offerings, there is a plate and a card reader at the back: for help please ask.

Alternatively, set up a standing order: please ask for details.

### **Christ Church Car Park Management System: Register Your Car.**

Please remember to enter your car registration number into the tablet located either in the church or in the hall. Please note that if this is not done you will be fined by the parking company.

### **FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE:**

#### **Today’s Collect:**

Almighty God,  
who sent your Holy Spirit  
to be the life and light of your Church:  
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,  
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit  
in love and joy and peace;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

- **Those who are unwell or who need prayer:** Heidi; Julia Ramanov; Caroline’s brother; Marie Irwin, Polly’s cousin; Rebekah; Julian, Eileen and John Osbourne; Angela; Yemi; Malcolm Ward; Steve; Matthilda; David F; Anthony; John Garland; Rose; Kay; Mandy; Laura Chappell; Emma; Caroline H.
- **People of the Parish:** those living in Bradshaw Road; Cromer Road; Yarmouth Road.
- **Businesses operating in:** Park Road; Church Road; Penn Road.
- **Local organisations:** Watford & Three Rivers Refugee Partnership; Alternatives.
- **Local churches and congregations:** St Michael and All Angels; St Matthew’s Oxhey.
- **Our Link Churches abroad:** Bishop Wilson Kamani and the Diocese of Ibba, South Sudan; and The Christian community at Kwa Mkono, Tanzania.

### **NEWS**

**Mission Action Plan review** - we hope to ask for your feedback on how you think that the Mission Action Plan is going, it is now in its second year. There are 4 short questions at the back of the church which we would appreciate your responses to. Please could you complete as soon as you can and give them to Revd Vicki.

**Contact us: email** [ccandstmwatford@gmail.com](mailto:ccandstmwatford@gmail.com) **or call** 01923 681972

**Lift Off!** Children and Families Outreach: [admin@liftoff.org.uk](mailto:admin@liftoff.org.uk)

We’re also to be found on <https://www.facebook.com/ChristChurchStMarks>

## **THIS WEEK**

<b>Morning Prayer Readings</b>		
Mon 18 August Mark 1.1-13		
Tue 19 August Mark 1.14-20	10am	The Be Happy Club at Christ Church.
Wed 20 August Mark 1.21-28	10am 2pm	Morning Prayer at Christ Church, then coffee. Wednesday Circle Craft Session at St Mark's.
Thu 21 August Mark 1.29-end	10am-1pm	Foodbank at Christ Church.
Fri 22 August Mark 2.1-12		
Sat 23 August Mark 2.13-22		

### **Sunday 24th AUGUST Tenth Sunday after Trinity**

#### **READINGS**

Hebrews 12.18-29; Luke 13.10-17

#### **SERVICES**

9.30am Service of the Word at St Mark's.

11.00am Holy Communion at Christ Church.

#### **Watford Foodbank's Latest Wish List**

Tinned Soup

Pasta sauce

Tinned Fruit

Tinned Vegetables

Tinned Rice pudding

Custard

Thank you so much for your continued support. We couldn't do this without you.



### **Advance Notice**

#### **August:**

There will be no 8am Service or breakfast in August.

Youth Club reopens on Friday 29th August with a Canal boat trip - please see Vicki for further details.

Sunday 31st August is the 5th Sunday of the month. A joint service will take place at St Mark's starting at 10.30am and includes a baptism. There is no service at Christ Church.

#### **September:**

Coming in September - we hope to run a series of evening discussions in Christ Church on Tuesday evenings with a shared meal to start. Please do start thinking about if you would like to come yourself or help with the evening meal preparation perhaps on a rota once a month.

This will be an opportunity to think about life, faith and spirituality and what that might mean for you alongside exploring the basics of Christianity. Do invite friends and family who are interested.

**7th September - REMINDER ALERT;** The government is scheduling a nationwide emergency alert to go off on our smartphones at 3.00pm. It is nothing to be alarmed about, but is a test run to see if it works in case of a real national emergency. Look out for further information.

**13th September** – Christ Church open for the Bike 'n Hike from 10am to 5pm.

**Coffee and Chat** in September will take place on the second Saturday 13th, from 10am to 1pm, as the Bike 'n Hike will be taking place.

**Prayer and Painting:** Chris Long will do a session of Prayer and Painting between 2 and 4pm.

Please see Chris Long if:

you can help steward between 9 and 10am, 1 and 2pm, or 4 and 5pm OR

if you wish to do the bike ride (or hike) and raise money for the Beds & Herts Historic Churches Trust and our church.

**14th September** 'Welcome back' BBQ at Christ Church after the service.