

NOTICE SHEET for SUNDAY 12th APRIL 2026

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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.

The Second Sunday of Easter

READINGS

1 Peter 1.3-9; John 20.19-31

SERVICES

9.30am Morning Prayer at St Mark’s.

11.00am Holy Communion at Christ Church.

Last chance to contribute to the Water Aid collection.

See the jars at the back of the church.

For your monetary offerings, there is a plate and a card reader at the back: for help please ask. Alternatively, for regular giving: The bank account details are below for those wanting to set up a regular standing order. Could you let Vicki know if you intend to do so and are able to Gift aid too.

CHRISTCHURCH Watford PCC COOP account SORTCODE: 089078 Acct no: 50018550.

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

Risen Christ,

for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:

open the doors of our hearts,

that we may seek the good of others

and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,

to the praise of God the Father.

- **Those who are unwell or who need prayer:** Pauline McCutcheon; Sylvia; Paula; Marc; Judy and Paul; Julian, Caroline’s brother; Angela; Heidi; Deloris; Stephen; Jim G; Emma; Mandy; Laura Chappell; Caroline H.
- **People who have died:** Mary Cheyney, thinking especially of Ruth.
- Please pray for Rony and Anna, Stella, Serena, Maria Sole and Gabriel on Rony’s return home to England. Please lift them all up in your prayers - for the physical and emotional adjustments they make going forward: and for delightful and happy reunion as a family. Praise God.
- **People of the Parish:** those living in Shakespeare Street; Acme Road; Diamond Road.
- **Businesses operating in:** Sandown Road, Windsor Road, Bradshaw Road.
- **Local organisations:** Hertfordshire Inclusive Theatre, Watford & Three Rivers Fairtrade.
- **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.

Contact us: email ccandstmwatford@gmail.com

Lift Off! Children and Families Outreach: admin@liftoff.org.uk

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

THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer Readings		
Mon 13 April	Colossians 1.1-14	
Tue 14 April	Colossians 1.15-end	9.30-11am 10-11.30am 1.15-2.45pm
Wed 15 April	Colossians 2.1-15	10-11am 2pm 5-6.30pm
Thu 16 April	Colossians 2.16 – 3.11	10am-1pm 8pm
Fri 17 April	Colossians 3.12 – 4.1	4.30-5.45pm 6.30pm
Sat 18 April	Colossians 4.2-end	10.30am-12.30pm

SUNDAY 19th APRIL The Third Sunday of Easter

READINGS

1 Peter 1.17-23; Luke 24.13-35

SERVICES

8.00am Morning Prayer at Christ Church followed by Breakfast at 8.30am.
 9.30am Holy Communion at St Mark's.
 (10.15am Choir Practice at Christ Church.)
 11.00am Contemporary Worship service at Christ Church.

We will be having a small choir leading the hymns from the front of the service at Christ Church. If you would like to be part of this, please arrive at 10:15am, for a rehearsal before the service.

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Wednesday Circle

Special presentation on Wednesday 15th April at St Marks 2.00pm.

Our very own Andrew Chappel will be giving a talk about "The old pubs of Watford".

Just £2.00 with tea and biscuits.

Everyone is welcome.

Parish A.P.C.M.

This year's Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Sunday 26th April at 12:30pm in Christ Church.

We are pleased to announce that the Revd Jess Batten, currently Curate at St Paul's Letchworth with Willian and Old Letchworth has been appointed as Priest-in-Charge of Christ Church and St Mark's Watford in succession to Revd Vicki Davies.

This is subject to completion of the usual legal formalities.

Jess will be seconded to Soul Survivor Watford from the beginning of May, with a view to progressing the proposed revitalisation partnership and having a hand over period with Vicki, whose ministry will conclude at the end of June. The intention is that Jess would be licenced as Priest-in-Charge of Christ Church and St Mark's Watford in September.

Please remember Jess and her husband, James, in your prayers as they prepare to move to Watford.

Joy Club Parent & Toddler Hub meet every Tuesday morning for social activities.

Please do invite any parents that you know with toddlers to join in this fun activity.

Homework club will resume this week, on Wednesday 15th April.

Lent Collection for Water Aid

The jars for the Water Aid collection should be in Christ Church until the Sunday after Easter. They will take any coins or notes; cheques can be made out to Christ Church PCC. Thank you.

The next **Coffee and Chat** will be on Saturday 2nd May between 10am and 12noon.