

NOTICE SHEET for SUNDAY 23rd AUGUST 2026

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<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7612/news/notice-sheet/grid/>

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

CHRIST CHURCH & ST MARK’S, WATFORD

12th Sunday after Trinity

READINGS Romans 12.1-8; Matthew 16.13-20

SERVICES 9.30am Service of the Word at St Mark’s.

11.00am Service at Christ 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.

Collect

God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE:

- Revd Jess Batten, due to be licenced as our Priest-in-Charge on September 3rd.
- **Those who are unwell or who need prayer:** Angela Bounds; Kimbra Jordan; Parvesh; Michelle’s Mum and Dad; Ollie; Portia; Rony; Pauline McCutcheon; Sylvia; Pat M.; Marc; Heidi; Emma; Deloris; Angela; Stephen; Laura Chappell; Mandy; Caroline H.
- **People of the Parish:** those living in Chestnut Walk; Beech Road; Dell Side; Thrums.
- **Businesses operating in:** Penn Road; Marri Street; Brixton Road; Maytree Crescent.
- **Local organisations:** Watford & Three Rivers Fairtrade; Random Café; Haven Hope.
- **Local churches and congregations:** St Mary’s; St John’s; The Scroll Church.
- **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 24 August	John 1.43-end		
Tue 25 August	Acts 9.1-19a		
Wed 26 August	Acts 9.19b-31	10-11am	Morning Prayer at Christ Church, then coffee.
Thu 27 August	Acts 9.32-end	10am-1pm	Foodbank at Christ Church.
Fri 28 August	Acts 10.1-16		Youth Club Narrowboat cruise in Rickmansworth.
Sat 29 August	Acts 10.17-33	9.30-11am	Lift Off! Messy Breakfast for 0-5s at St Mark's.

Sunday 30th August; 13th Sunday after Trinity

READINGS Romans 12.9-21; Matthew 16.21-28

SERVICES 9.30am Morning Prayer at St Mark's.

11.00am Service at Christ Church.

News

Our Youth Club activities are now paused for the summer.

We'll be resuming on Friday 28th August with a narrowboat cruise in Rickmansworth. We still have a few spaces available for children aged 10–15 if you know anyone who might be interested.

There will be no Sunday 8am Morning Prayer and Breakfast at Christ Church until September.

There will be no choir practice in August.



Diocesan Vacancies

The Diocese is currently advertising the following roles:

PA to the Archdeacon of Hertford – Part Time (based in Hertingfordbury)

Giving Communications Assistant – Part Time (would suit uni/college leaver)

Property and Trust Adviser – Full Time

Further details on our website on the links below:

<https://www.stalbansdiocese.org/vacancies/pa-to-the-archdeacon-of-hertford-2026/>

<https://www.stalbansdiocese.org/vacancies/giving-communications-assistant/>

<https://www.stalbansdiocese.org/vacancies/property-and-trusts-adviser/>

September Events

Save the Date: Revd Jess Batten will be licenced as our Priest-in-Charge on September 3rd.

The next **Coffee and Chat** has been postponed to **12th September**, when Christ Church will be open for the **Bike 'n Hike** from 10am to 5pm.

Coffee and Chat on Saturday 12th, 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.

The next **PCC meeting** has been changed from 14th September to Monday 21st September at 7:30pm in Christ Church.