

REGULAR SUNDAY SERVICES IN FEBRUARY AT ST MARY'S

Including 10am—11.30am ADventure in the Church Rooms, 3rd, 10th 17th

Sunday 3rd	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 10th	8.00am	Informal Holy Communion BCP
	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 17th	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 24th	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
	10.00am	4th Sunday at 10

Would you like to consider being Baptised and/or Confirmed?

One person has already approached the Vicar about this.
Please contact her if you'd like to know more about this opportunity.

STORY BAGS Mondays 4th, 11th & 25th February at St. Mary's from 9.30 to 10.45am for parents and pre school children during term time only

Every Week:- Service at 9.30am on Wednesday followed by Tea & Coffee
Prayers at 5.00 - 5.30pm on Thursday
9.30 - 10.00am and 5.00 - 6.00pm on Saturday

ST MARY'S HOUSE GROUPS

If you would like information on the availability, place and times of House Groups, please contact Pauline Blackmore, the co-ordinator on 01953 883031.

The Winner of the 100 Club January Draw was No 37 Sharon Fawkes-Braule

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES or NEED HELP PLEASE CONTACT

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH, WATTON

Newsletter February 2019

St Mary's believes in Reaching out with the power and love of Jesus in a caring, family atmosphere

SUNDAY 3rd FEBRUARY

Sunday 3rd of February will be the second of two Sundays our Treasurer, Dave Foster, will be focussing the sermon at the 10.00am Service on the Finances at St Mary's, as we go forwards together positively with faith, into 2019.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

(A WOMEN LED, GLOBAL, ECUMENICAL MOVEMENT)



Press Release

Come – Everything is Ready!

Everything is ready and the invitation is for everyone - men, women and children of all ages to join this Day of Prayer.* Women of Slovenia, one of the smallest and youngest countries in Europe, have prepared this year's service and they encourage us to reflect on the barriers they have faced since the end of the Second World War when their country was a part of Yugoslavia, a Marxist socialist republic. They share the challenges they have met and the hopes they have for the future.

World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church organisation which enables us to hear the thoughts of women from all parts of the world: their hopes, concerns and prayers. The preparation for the day is vast. The Day of Prayer is celebrated in over 120 countries.

The local Service in the Wayland area is on Friday 1st March 2019, 2.00pm at St Mary's Church, Watton. Please contact Margaret Cator 01953 882187 if you would like further information.

CHRISTINGLE 2018

I had the pleasure of banking £568.19 for The Children's Society as a result of Christingle 2018. What an amazing amount - our best ever! Not only did we have no overheads, the Collecting Candles resulted in £93.05 and a very generous cheque of £50 added to the amount given at the Christingle Service which gave us this total. A real team effort and I feel very humbled.

Regards Jan Selvey

St. Mary's Craft Group.

This group meets once a month and everyone is very welcome. We will be focussing on specific crafts some months but other times we will just meet for tea and coffee and a chat about our craft activities, bringing with us anything we would like to share with the group. Future dates are: **1st February** Sugar flower demonstration,

Thursday 28th February Note different day!!

Card-making, **5th April, 3rd May.**

Please feel free to come along to any of the dates.

Further information from Linda Benton on 01953 884385.



Watton Lunch Club (For Senior Citizens)

at Watton Sports Centre 12 for 12.30

Wednesday 6th February

To book phone Christina or Paul 01953 884213

THURSDAY CHAT Thursday 7th February 10am - 12 noon

A social coffee morning at St Mary's, Watton, continuing on the 1st Thursday of each month. All are welcome.

NEW !!! SATURDAY COFFEE MORNING Saturday 16th February 10am - 12 noon

A social coffee morning at St Mary's, Watton, continuing on the 3rd Saturday of each month. All are welcome.

St Mary's Church Watton '100 Club'

St Mary's '100 Club' is a way of raising much needed funds for the Church whilst giving the ticket owner a chance to win £50 in the monthly draw.

The year for the '100 Club' ends in March, so now it is time to renew your subscriptions for the year April 2019-March 2020. Tickets are £12 for the year and must be paid to me by Sunday March 24th for inclusion in the first draw on Sunday 7th April. Any cheques should be payable to Watton PCC.

For further details, questions or cancellations please see me in Church, telephone on 01953 885811 or e-mail cath.clay@sky.com

Any money can be left at the Parish Office for me to collect. Cath Clay

ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEWSLETTER

Please will all contributors forward copy for the MARCH Newsletter to me by Monday 11th of February Thank you

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1st Watton Rainbow Brownies – Mondays 4.30 – 5.45pm in the Church Rooms at St. Mary's Church, on Mondays, 4th, 11th & 25th of February

Rainbows provide the opportunity for girls aged between 5 and 7 to join with others to have fun – playing games, doing craft activities and making new friends.

It is part of the Girl Guiding organisation.

We will meet every Monday in the Church Rooms during term time only.

For more information contact Bekka.

Email: Rainbows1stwatton@hotmail.com or look on Facebook.

If you're old-school you could also phone Linda on 01953 884385.

WATTON CINEMA CLUB at St Mary's

Friday 22nd February (Only) 'King of Thieves'

FRIDAYS 1.15pm Doors open (Café)

2.15pm Screening

Tickets £5 available at the box office on the day

DVD HIRE

Following a Community Cinema showing, the DVD is available for loan if anyone who wasn't able to attend wishes to borrow it.

On a Sunday please speak to Linda Benton or during the week please go to the church office. There is a sign out/sign in book and a donation of £2.00 is suggested. A few of the DVDs are only suitable for playing on a Blue Ray player, just check the box before taking the film.

Lent Course

This year's Lent Course will be led by Members of Watton Churches Together and we invite Everyone to join us for 'Talking of God Together'.

It will be based on Thursday mornings at the WCCC. Coffee and Tea will be served from 9.30am and the Sessions will run from 10.00 – 11.30am.

Dates: 14th, 21st, 28th March; 4th and 11th April 2019.

We want to welcome any Newcomers to St Mary's, by inviting you to a special Tea!

While everyone is invited to join in, we'd like to welcome you to a special Tea, if you're one of the many who've joined us at services and/or events at St Mary's in recent months. It will be on a Monday afternoon in February, which has yet to be confirmed, so please do look out for it in the weekly leaflet, listen out for the notice about it and check out the church website!

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