

Sunday 23rd August 2026
12th Sunday after Trinity



Wanstead Parish
St Mary with Christ Church

www.wansteadparish.org

Services today:

8am Holy Communion BCP (CC)
9.30am Family Eucharist (CC)
11am Sung Eucharist (STM)

Eucharist Readings & Hymns:

Romans 12. 1-8
Matthew 16. 13-20

Christ Church Family Eucharist:

27 Light up the fire
799 The Lord's my shepherd
661 Holy, holy, holy is the Lord
484 You shall go out with joy

St Mary's Sung Eucharist:

9 When morning gilds the skies
799 The Lord's my shepherd
452 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
507 We have a gospel to proclaim

The Collect for the Week:

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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.

Prayers:

Those who are in need of prayer: Richard Coy, Liz Hickson, Jackie Wilkins, Jane Heath, Thomas, Pamela Mathers

RIP: Pam Messum, Kay Kingham, Leonard Maiden, Patricia Adams

Year's Mind: Alan Gates Pr. (24th, 88); Benjamin Bodylawson (24th, 04); Dudley Wyber (25th, 87); Frank Thursby (Reader) (25th, 98); Kenneth Wales (25th, 16); Donald Doody (26th, 05), May Cross (28th, 88)

Wanstead Prayer Diary: Laura Close, Ranelagh Gardens, Tarzy Wood, Memorial Green, Wanstead Place, Fitzgerald Road, Wanstead Church School, Church Path, Robins Pie and Mash, Enigma Hair and Beauty, The Times- Newsagent, Wanstead Place Surgery, Wanstead Children's Centre, Christ Church Green, Christ Church

NOTICES

FUNERALS: The funeral of **Leonard Maiden** will take place on Thursday 27th August, 11am at St Mary's. The funeral of **Kay Kingham** will take place on Wednesday 2nd September, 11am at Christ Church. Please remember Leonard and Kay and their family and friends in your prayers.

TO ALL CHRIST CHURCH WELCOMERS AND THOSE WHO'VE SIGNED UP TO BE A BUDDY: Advance Notice: **Sunday 20th September**, Christ Church Vestry, 11-12 noon... the promised training! Please put a note in your diaries that we will be doing our Welcomers and Buddies training for *all* welcomers and aspiring buddies on Sunday 20th September after the 9.30 service. If you can collect a drink from the hall after the service and then make your way to the choir vestry to start at 11am (cake will be provided!) that will be good. ***Please let me know by email*** if you can do this date, then I'll send you more detail about what to expect. If there are people who can't make this date, I'll run another session for them later in the autumn. Liz Horwell: ehorwell@hotmail.com

PARISH BROADSTAIRS TRIP FOR EVERYONE! SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER

Make your own way to Broadstairs in cars or on the train (lifts may be available, please enquire at the Parish Office). Easy journey from Stratford. Meet on the beach at 12 noon, bring a picnic. Beach rounders for the children. Sandcastle making competition with prizes! Lots for children to do in the afternoon, and adults too (Dickens Museum, cockles on the pier, old town walks, arcades, lovely bars and restaurants and a beautiful sandy beach, Morelli's – the best ice cream parlour in the world). Come back together for our Wanstead Service at Broadstairs Methodist Church, (York St, near the beach) at 4pm, including children's activities.

Cost: £5 per person / £10 family ticket (donated to the church who will host us for the service)

Book here: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/GRAZ> or contact the Parish Office.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS IN AUGUST: The Parish office will be **closed** on the 26th & 31st August. Outside of those times, the office will be open as usual Monday-Thursday 9am-1pm.

HOME AND HOSPITAL VISITS: Please let the Parish Office know if you would appreciate a visit by a member of the clergy, or if you know of someone who would. Mthr Anne can offer one-off visits for prayer and discussion (perhaps concerning a specific issue), in addition to on-going visits in the case of the elderly, sick and housebound.

SAFEGUARDING: For safeguarding concerns please contact Avril Carnelley on 07905 764343 or at wansteadparishsafeguarding@gmail.com. In an emergency, contact the relevant authority such as the Police.

Forest Church

Fun outdoor worship and activities for all the family!



Sunday 30th August 2026, 11am

St Mary's Churchyard

Don't miss out on another fun Forest Church opportunity which will take place on Sunday 30th August 2026, 11am in St Mary's Churchyard.

Our theme this time is: Jesus said *"I came and you may have life and live it to the full"* and we will explore this with:

a brief time of collective worship followed by different activities in small groups in different areas of the churchyard including: *planting bulbs, *arts and crafts, *a game, *an opportunity for a little stillness and reflection, *music, singing and dance ... and a time for refreshments and to chat to each other at the end. 😊

NB. If you came to Forest Church on Palm Sunday, we will already have a signed registration form from you - all you will need to do is sign in on the day. If this is your first time, please complete a **registration form** (available in both churches or to download from the weekly email) and hand it in on the day. This will help us to ensure that everyone is as safe as possible. (*forms will also be available on the day*)

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS:

Tuesdays:	9am	Morning Prayer (CC)
	10.30am	Prayer Group (CC)
Wednesdays:	9am	Morning Prayer (CC)
	8pm	Compline (St M's)
Thursdays:	9.45am	Morning Prayer (CC)
	10.30am	Holy Communion, coffee and chat (CC)
Fridays:	9am	Morning Prayer (St M's)
	10.30am	Forget-Me-Nots Choir (St M's)
	7pm	The Bridge Youth Club (Parish Halls) <i>Term time only</i>
	7pm	Parish Choir Practice (CC Vestry)

Bereavement Cafe: For all who have lost a loved one - meets in CC vestry, 10.30 - 11.30am on the **third Tuesday** of the month.

LOOKING AHEAD:

Sunday 30th August – 13th Sunday after Trinity

8am	Holy Communion BCP (CC)
11am	Joint Sung Eucharist with Forest Church (STM)

PARISH OF WANSTEAD:

Rector: Revd James Gilder
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Assoc. Priest: Revd Charles Brown
(Works: Thurs, Fri, Sun)

Curate: Revd David Lappano

Assistant Priests:
Revd Olive Thursby (High Street Chaplain)
Revd Richard Wyber
Revd Anne Mackenna (Parish Deacon)
Revd Liz Horwell

Parish Office: 020 8530 8743
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Mon-Thurs 9am-1pm

GIVING:

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