

**THIS WEEK'S SERVICES
AROUND THE TEAM**

SUNDAY 4th February**St Mary's Saffron Walden**

8.00am Holy Communion
 9.15am for 9.30am start Wiggle Church (Parish Rooms)
 10.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)
 6.30pm H2H (Parish Rooms)

All Saints Wimbish

9.30am Village Worship

St James' Swards End

10.30am Holy Communion

St Botolph's Hadstock

9.00am Holy Communion

Holy Trinity Littlebury

9.00am Café Church

St Peter's Littlebury Green

10.30am Holy Communion

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.00am Morning Prayer

All Saints Great Chesterford

10.30am Holy Communion

St Mary's Little Chesterford

9.00am Morning Prayer

MONDAY

1.45pm Church Mice, Debden

TUESDAY

8.30am Morning Prayer, Hadstock
 9.30am Tinies, Saffron Walden
 5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, SW

WEDNESDAY

8.00am Morning Prayer, Saffron Walden
 9.30am Holy Communion including prayers for
 wholeness & healing
 9.30am Building Blocks, Gt Chesterford
 5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, Cam Villages

NEXT SUNDAY 11th FEBRUARY

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion
 10.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)
 4.00pm Choral Evensong

St Mary's Debden

9.00am Holy Communion

St John's Little Walden

10.30am Family Service

All Saints Ashdon

9.00am Holy Communion

All Saints Great Chesterford

10.30am Cam Churches Together

*Links for livestreamed services are available on
 the website and in the weekly bulletin.
 Please contact the Team Administrator
 to be added to the mailing list.*

The Grapevine

**Welcome to our services today
 2nd Sunday before Lent
 4th February 2024**

Collect

Almighty God,
 give us reverence for all creation
 and respect for every person,
 that we may mirror your likeness
 in Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading: Proverbs 8 v 1, 22-31

Psalms: 104 v 26-35

Second Reading: Colossians 1 v 15-20

Gospel: John 1 v 1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it. There came a man who was sent from God; his name was John. He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all men might believe. He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light. The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world. He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognise him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God – children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God. The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Post Communion

God our creator, by your gift
 the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly
 paradise,
 and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:
 may we who have been nourished at your table on
 earth
 be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross
 and enjoy the delights of eternity;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In February please pray for Our Lady of Compassion Roman Catholic Church and St Thomas More School.

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Samantha Leese, Stephen Overton, June Start

EVENTS

ARCHIVE There will be a display of more interesting items from our archive outside of the vestry after this morning's services at St Mary's, SW.

CHURCH MICE for carers, babies and toddlers meets on **Monday 5th February from 1.45pm - 3pm** in St Mary's, Debden.

OASIS Our next Men's lunchtime get together at The Old English Gentleman in Gold Street will be on **Wednesday 7th February, from 12 noon**. As always, everyone is welcome but if you are intending to come please confirm with me by Tuesday 6th February and I will look forward to seeing you there. *Bill Rose*.

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PRAYERS FOR WHOLENESS & HEALING will be part of the Holy Communion service on **Wednesday 7th February at 9.30am** at St Mary's, SW.

DEANERY SYNOD 7th February at 7.30pm at Thaxted Church Hall.

MOTHERS' UNION AGM meeting followed by a talk by Mary Duxbury on 'Best Dressed Baby 19th Century Style, Christening Gowns.' This meeting will place at the rear of St Mary's Church at **2pm** on **Thursday 8th February**. Tea and biscuits to follow.

WIMBISH COFFEE MORNING at St Paul's Mission Hall, next to Wimbish School, postcode CB10 2XE. **Saturday 10th March from 10am - 11.30am**. Delicious cakes, jams & produce.

The **QUINQUA QUIZ** is on **Saturday 10th February at 7pm** in the Parish Rooms to raise funds for the Bishop's Lent Appeal. Teams of 6, £5 per person. Teams from all of the churches in the team welcome. There is a sign up sheet for those looking to join others to make a team in St Mary's, SW. Contact Chris Bishop or the Parish Office for more details.

COFFEE CONCERTS Our Spring Coffee Concert series at St Mary's, SW begins on **Wednesday 14th February**. Our first performers are Students from the SWCHS Music Academy and we hope you'll come along to support our talented, local, young performers! Concerts starts at **11.30am** and last approximately 40 minutes. Coffee, tea and cake available from 10.45am. Admission is free with a retiring collection. *Hannah Razzell*

POP UP COFFEE on **15th February from 10am-11.30am** in Littlebury Church. Pop in or stay a while. Everyone welcome.

TODAY

H2H

You're warmly welcome to join us at H2H this evening, **6.30pm** (Parish Rooms), as Sophie and Matilda explore how God keeps his promises even when we break ours. Come and support our amazing young people!

NOTICES

The **SPRING CLEAN OF THE PARISH ROOMS, SW** on **Saturday 17th February** has been postponed.

THE FEBRUARY EDITION OF PARISH NEWS is available from the back of St Mary's church, SW, and can also be seen on the website at www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/parishnews **COPY** for the next edition of **PARISH NEWS** may be sent to the editor andycolebrooke@gmail.com by **Sunday 4th February**.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

14th February

St Mary's, Saffron Walden

8am Morning Prayer

9.30am Holy Communion with ashes

7.30pm Choral Eucharist with ashes

All Saints, Gt Chesterford

8pm Holy Communion with ashes

Sign up is now available at the back of St Mary's Church for **AFTERSHOCK'S JIMMYS MEAL**, 9th March, 2024. Places are limited so please sign up early.

HOME MADE MARMALADE. I will be selling marmalade at the back of St Mary's church, SW, today, 4th February and in two weeks, 18th February. £3 a pot for the church general fund. Alternatively, please telephone me on 521356 to make other arrangements. Thanks for your support. *Lesley A Green*

Please send items for the **GRAPEVINE** to Claire Dunn by **WEDNESDAY at 9.00am** to admin@stmaryssaffronwalden.org

If you need to contact Rev'd Trew, please use email as the rectory telephone line is awaiting repair.

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