

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

SUNDAY 3rd March**St Mary's Saffron Walden**

8.00am Holy Communion
9.15am Wiggle Church
10.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)
6.30pm H2H

All Saints Wimbish

9.30am Village Worship

St James' Swards End

10.30am Holy Communion
+ Annual Church meeting

St Botolph's Hadstock

9.00am Holy Communion + Baptism

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

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 with prayers for wholeness
& healing
9.30am Building Blocks, Gt Chesterford
5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, Cam Villages

NEXT SUNDAY 10th MARCH

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)

St Mary's Debden

9.00am Holy Communion

St James' Swards End

10.30am Morning Praise

St John's Little Walden

10.30am Family Service

All Saints Ashdon

9.00am Holy Communion

Holy Trinity Littlebury

10.30am Café/iChurch

St Peter's Littlebury Green

10.30am Morning Worship

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.00am Holy Communion

St Mary's Little Chesterford

10.30am Holy Communion

*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
3rd Sunday of Lent
3rd March 2024**

Collect

Eternal God,
give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we are promised
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading: Exodus 20 v 1-17

Psalm: 19

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1 v 18-25

Gospel: John 2 v 13-22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' They then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Post Communion

Merciful Lord,
grant your people grace to withstand the
temptations
of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow
you, the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In March please pray for Abbey Lane and Newport United Reformed Church, incorporating the Methodist Church and Dame Bradbury's School.

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Kenneth Vincent, Raymond Stuart

Those who banns are being read:

Saffron Walden: Matthew Bull & Hannah Camp

Wimbish: Peter Weeks & Kate Garrett

Those who are being baptised:

Hadstock: Florence Swann

EVENTS

OASIS Our next lunchtime get together at the Old English Gentleman in Gold Street will be on **Wednesday 6th March**, from **12 noon**. As usual, everyone is welcome but if you are intending to come please confirm with me by Tuesday 5th March and I will look forward to seeing you there. Bill Rose.
email: wjr2163@gmail.com tel: 01799 516609

COFFEE CONCERTS Our next Spring Coffee concert takes place on **Wednesday 6th March**. We are delighted to welcome organist *Philip Sunderland*. Concert starts at **11.30am** and will last approximately 40 minutes. Coffee, tea and cake available from **10.45am**. Admission is free with a retiring collection. *Hannah Razzell*

THE NEXT TIME OF SILENT PRAYER will be on **Thursday 7th March** at **10am** in the North Chapel of St Mary's, SW. We start with a brief introduction leading into 20 minutes of silent prayer. All very welcome. Do contact me if you would like more information.
Judith Hasler

WIMBISH COFFEE MORNING will be at St Paul's Mission Hall on **Saturday 9th March** from **10am - 11.30am**. Refreshments, delicious homemade cakes, produce and preserves.

The FAIRTRADE STALL at St Mary's, SW will be available on **Sunday 10th March** after the **10.30am** service. Cash only please.

POP UP COFFEE on **Wednesday 13th March** from **10am-11.30am** in Littlebury Church. Pop in or stay a while. Everyone welcome.

CHURCH MICE for carers, babies and toddlers will meet on **Monday 11th March** from **1.45pm - 3pm** in St Mary's, Debden.

LENT COURSES

GET OUTSIDE FOR A GREEN LENT. The Eco team at All Saints, Wimbish are hosting a weekly session during Lent on **Mondays from 10.30-11.30am** Contact Fran Johnson 01799 527773 for more information.

THE LECTIO COURSE. Explore how to hear God speak afresh through Scripture, using the ancient practice of Lectio Divina. Led by Rev'd Ella Harris on **Wednesdays at 7.30pm** in the Parish Rooms, SW. Email revellaharris@gmail.com for more details.

RIVER THROUGH THE DESERT. Entering into Jesus' journey through the Holy Land Led by Rev'd Jeremy Trew on **Thursdays at 2pm** in the North Chapel, St Mary's, SW

TODAY

H2H

Hayden & Andrew are exploring the Temptation of Jesus in the Desert
Please come along and support the young people
Parish Rooms, 6.30pm

NOTICES

How about giving up something else this **LENT**? Something that might make a real difference? Giving up Carbon! You can find further details at www.climatestewards.org/resources/carbon-fast/ *Edward Gildea*

COPY for the next edition of **PARISH NEWS** may be sent to the editor andycolebrooke@gmail.com by **Sunday 3rd March**.

NEW EDITOR If our Parish News is to continue past September then we need someone to take this on please, and that could be God's calling to you or someone else you might know of? If you know of someone who might be interested or would like to know more, do speak to Andy or Martin Hugall on the Communications Committee.

STAMP SALE The next stamp sale will be on **Saturday 27th April from 10am – 3pm** in the Saffron Walden Community Link building in aid of St Mary's, SW music and building funds.

Thank you to all who have signed up for the **JIMMY'S MEAL**. If you are unable to come but would still like to donate, please let Matt have your donation via the parish office by **8th March**.

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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