

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES IN CHURCH AND ONLINE

SUNDAY 24TH OCTOBER

St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church

8.00am Holy Communion 1662

President: Jeremy Trew

St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church/YouTube

10.00am Holy Communion + Team JC

President: Jeremy Trew

6.30pm Evensong

Officiant: Jeremy Trew

St James' Swards End - in Church

9.30am Holy Communion President: Chris Bishop

St John's Little Walden - in Church

11.15am Holy Communion President: Michael Lovegrove

St Mary's Debden - in Church/Zoom

9.30am Holy Communion President: John Saxon

CAM VILLAGES ONLINE

Wendens Ambo - Zoom

9.30am Holy Communion President: Angela Want

Great Chesterford - Facebook

11.00am Holy Communion President: Alex Jeewan

TUESDAY - Zoom

5.00pm Evening Prayer Leader: Judith Hasler

WEDNESDAY - St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church

9.30am Holy Communion President: John Saxon

NEXT SUNDAY 31ST OCTOBER SERVICES IN CHURCH AND ONLINE

St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church

8.00am Holy Communion 1662

President: Chris Bishop

St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church/YouTube

10.00am Holy Communion President: Jeremy Trew

12 noon Baptism Officiant: Jeremy Trew

4.00pm All Souls Service Leader: Judith Hasler

Preacher: Jeremy Trew

St James' Swards End - in Church

4-4.30pm Church open for prayer and reflection

St Botolph's Hadstock - in Church

6.00pm All Souls Service Leader: Caroline Currer

All Saints Ashdon - in Church

9.30am Patronal Service Leader: Caroline Currer

4.00pm All Souls Service Leader: Caroline Currer

St Mary's Debden - in Church/Zoom

9.30am Holy Communion President: John Saxon

All Saints' Wimbish - in Church/Zoom

3.00pm All Souls Service Leader: John Saxon

CAM VILLAGES ONLINE

Wendens Ambo - Zoom

10.00am Sung Matins Leader: John Risby

4.00pm All Souls Service Leader: John Risby

Great Chesterford - Facebook

11.00am Patronal Service Leader: Alex Jeewan

6.30pm All Souls Service Leader: Alex Jeewan



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www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org to find out more.



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SAFFRON WALDEN & VILLAGES TEAM MINISTRY

The Grapevine

COVERING THE PARISHES OF SAFFRON WALDEN,
WIMBISH, DEBDEN, ASHDON AND HADSTOCK

Welcome to our services today

Last Sunday after Trinity/Bible Sunday
24th October 2021

Collect

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading: Isaiah 55.1-11

The LORD says this: Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

Gospel: John 5.36b-47

Jesus said to the Jews: 'The works that the Father has given me to complete, the very works that I am doing, testify on my behalf that the Father has sent me. And the Father who sent me has himself testified on my behalf. You have never heard his voice or seen his form, and you do not have his word abiding in you, because you do not believe him whom he has sent. You search the scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that testify on my behalf. Yet you refuse to come to me to have life. I do not accept glory from human beings. But I know that you do not have the love of God in you. I have come in my Father's name, and you do not accept me; if another comes in his own name, you will accept him. How can you believe when you accept glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the one who alone is God? Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; your accuser is Moses, on whom you have set your hope. If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me. But if you do not believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?'

Post Communion

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In October please pray for: **Ashdon Baptist Church, Ashdon Primary School**
The family and friends of those who have died recently:
Anne Filkin, Michael Karmann Lee, Christopher Bullock

EVENTS & NOTICES

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR THE

REVD TIM HARDINGHAM You are warmly invited to come and celebrate the life of Tim Hardingham with friends and family at St Mary's Church, Saffron Walden on **Saturday 30th October** at 3pm. We look forward to seeing you - in a combined spirit of joy and sorrow.
Nell Hardingham

SERVICE OF REMEMBERING AND THANKSGIVING

at St Mary's Saffron Walden - **Sunday 31st October** at 4pm, for all those who have been bereaved in recent years. Candles will be lit in memory of family and friends; if you would like the name of a loved one to be read out in the service, please email or telephone the Parish Office by 25th October. The service will also be streamed on YouTube - via the church website.

ST JAMES, SEWARDS END will be open from 4-4.30pm on **Sunday 31st October** as a quiet space to remember and pray for loved ones - a peaceful place to light a candle and sit with your thoughts.

PLANTS Although the Christmas Fair has been cancelled if you were preparing plants for sale or would still consider doing so, could you please contact Pamela on 07910 746887.

TRANSITION PROJECT UPDATE In addition to helping with job searching and updating CV's remotely, we now have appointments for face-to-face help sessions. Phone 07901 173763 or email swtransitionproject@gmail.com for further information. *Gerald Gardner*

NOTICES

VACANCY We are looking for a paid Associate Administrator to work alongside Dawn Saxon in the Parish Office for 4 mornings a week. Full details of the role and how to apply are available on the website. www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org Please feel free to contact me for further information. *Judith Hasler 01799 525041*

The scaffolding work for the **REPAIR TO THE CHANCEL ROOF** has been completed and it should now be possible to drive to the Parish Rooms entering the churchyard from Museum Street. Occasionally, this access will be blocked when the contractors receive deliveries of materials. The repair work is expected to take until mid-December. *Steve Hasler (525041)*

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX You can help bring unimaginable excitement and joy to children in need around the world by filling a shoebox with gifts! If you feel you can share God's love in this way, please pick up a shoebox from the back of St Mary's church, Saffron Walden, and inside you will find a "How to Pack" leaflet. Or, if you don't have time to pack a box, you can pack a box online in less than 5 minutes, and it will be sent off for you! Please return your filled box to St Mary's church by **Sunday 14th November**. Thank you. *Judith & Mike Felgate*

HELP NEEDED We urgently need two volunteers to fill vacancies that have arisen in the Communications Team. **1.** We need someone to take over the role of **Advertising Manager for the Parish News**. The Church now sees Parish News as an important part of its outreach activity and, as well as going to Church members we make it widely available within the town free of charge. We rely on advertising to cover costs. Advertisers usually pay for a year's advertising in one go, so it is not an enormously time-consuming role. **2.** We need a new person to take charge of our **Facebook page**. This role involves liaising with our Web Manager and uploading weekly updates onto the Facebook page. If you feel you could undertake either of these roles, please contact me on SW 523776 or write to me on loavesandfishes@ymail.com.
Rufus Barnes, Chair, Communications Committee

Please send items for the **GRAPEVINE** to secretary.swrectory@ntlworld.com by 9.00am on Wednesday.

BIBLE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

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| Mon 25th | Morning Psalm 1 & John 17:1-5 Evening Psalm 4 |
| Tue 26th | Morning Psalm 5 & John 17:6-19 Evening Psalm 9 & 1 Timothy 6:11-end |
| Wed 27th | Morning Psalm 119:1-32 & John 17:20-end Evening Psalm 11 |
| Thurs 28th | Morning Psalm 116 & Luke 6:12-16 Evening Psalm 119:1-16 |
| Fri 29th | Morning Psalm 19 & John 18:12-27 Evening Psalm 22 |
| Sat 30th | Morning Psalm 23 & John 18:28-end Evening Psalm 24 |

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