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

#### SUNDAY 12th February

8.00am	Holy Communion 1662
10.30am	Second Sunday Communion
	(livestreamed)
	No Team JC due to half-term
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 (livestreamed) **TUESDAY** 8.30am Morning Prayer, Hadstock

5.00pmEvening Prayer - Zoom only, SW5.00pmEvening Prayer - Zoom only, Cam VillagesWEDNESDAY8.00amMorning Prayer, Saffron Walden9.30amHoly Communion, Saffron Walden5.00pmEvening Prayer - Zoom only, Cam VillagesTHURSDAY5.00pmEvening Prayer - Zoom only, Cam Villages

#### **NEXT SUNDAY 19th FEBRUARY**

#### St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am	Holy Communion 1662
10.30am	Holy Communion (livestreamed)
	+Team JC
4.00pm	Living Stones (Parish Rooms)

#### All Saints Wimbish

10.30am Sunday Praise (livestreamed)

**St James' Sewards End** 10.30am Morning Praise

St Botolph's Hadstock

9.00am Sunday Worship

Holy Trinity Littlebury 10.30am Holy Communion

**St Mary's Wendens Ambo** 9.00am Holy Communion (livestreamed)

All Saints Great Chesterford 9.00am iChurch

# St Mary'sLittle Chesterford10.30amHoly Communion

Links for livestreamed services are available on the weekly bulletin. Please contact the Parish Administrator to be added to the mailing list. SAFFRON WALDEN & VILLAGES TEAM MINISTRY

# The Grapevine

Welcome to our services today 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent 12<sup>th</sup> February 2023

# 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: Genesis 1 v 1-27 Psalm: Psalm 136 Second Reading: Romans 8 v 18-25 Gospel: Matthew 6 v 25-34

Jesus taught his disciples, saying: 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you- you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. 'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

## **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: Sandra Jackson, Doreen Johns

Those whose banns are being read: **Saffron Walden**: Matthew Wilson & Jessica Gray

## EVENTS

The **FAIRTRADE STALL today** will be available before (and for a short while after) the **10.30am** service at St Mary's, Saffron Walden.

The **QUINQUA QUIZ** is on **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> 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. Contact Chris Bishop or the Parish Office for more details.

**LIVING STONES,** our new contemporary worship service for the whole team, will be in the Parish Rooms next **Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 4pm**. Refreshments from 3.40pm. The theme will be 'What does it mean to be a living stone?'.

The **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** will take place on **Friday**, **3**<sup>rd</sup> **March** in the Quaker Meeting House at **2pm**. The Service has been prepared by the ladies of Taiwan and will encircle the world, starting in the east following the sun, moving west using the same words and songs. Please join us with the rest of the world to pray for the people of Taiwan living in uncertain times.

#### An EVENING WITH TERRY WAITE on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm hosted by

St Mary's, Newport at Joyce Frankland Academy. Tickets £10, with refreshments, from www.thelittleboxoffice.com/stmarysnewport/ or tel 07415 380940 or email church.jo@yahoo.com

All Saints' Great Chesterford and St. Mary's Little Chesterford will be holding a **ST GEORGE'S QUIZ** on **22<sup>nd</sup> April in All Saints' Church**. More details to follow.

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# LENT COURSES

During Lent the following courses will be running across the team. All welcome to join any group. For more details see the flyer available in your church or www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/lentcourses

**"Travelling Well Together"** Following the Diocese of Chelmsford lent course, we will learn what it looks like to journey together as one body, made up of many parts.

Starting Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm at Wendens Ambo Village Hall. CB11 4JX

**"Do this in remembrance of me"** The roots, practice, and controversies of the Eucharist, and its place in the Church today. Starting Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 2pm in the Parish Rooms, Saffron Walden, CB10 1JP

*"Follow Me"* An opportunity for us to reflect on what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ in the world today.

Starting Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 7.30pm in the Church Room, Gt Chesterford. CB10 1NP

**"The Psalms: pursuing a posture of praise"** Learn how to worship like a modern-day psalmist. Starting Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 7.30pm at St Paul's, Mission Hall, Wimbish. CB10 2UZ

## NOTICES

We are admitting **CHILDREN TO HOLY COMMUNION** on Easter Sunday this year and will be running a course on either 26<sup>th</sup> February, 5<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> March from 2-4pm, depending on what works best for those joining. If your child is interested, please let Matt know.

**HOME MADE MARMALADE** will be on sale at the back of church at St Mary's, Saffron Walden after the 10.30am service. £2.50 a pot for Church Funds. *Lesley A Green* 521356

There are **WARM SPACES** available Monday - Friday in Saffron Walden. Please pop-in or call the Parish Office if you would like details of where, when and the facilities provided for yourself or others.

There will be a **RETIRING COLLECTION for DISASTER RELIEF in TURKEY & SYRIA** at St Mary's, SW on Sundays 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> February.

Ash Wednesday Services			
Saffron Walden			
8.00am	Morning Prayer		
9.30am	Holy Communion & Ashes		
7.30pm	Choral Eucharist & Ashes		
<b>Debden</b> 8.00pm	Holy Communion & Ashes		
Ashdon 7.30pm	Holy Communion & Ashes		
Little Chesterford 8.00pm Holy Communion & Ashes			

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