THIS WEEK'S SERVICES AROUND THE TEAM

SUNDAY 23rd April

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662 (livestreamed)

10.30am Family Service

6.30pm Taizé

St Mary's Debden

9.00am Family Service (livestreamed)

St John's Little Walden

10.30am Holy Communion

All Saints Ashdon

9.00am Sunday Worship

St Peter's Littlebury Green

9.00am Family Service

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.00am Family Communion (livestreamed)

All Saints Great Chesterford

10.30am Holy Communion

TUESDAY

8.30am Morning Prayer, Hadstock

9.30am St Mary's Tinies, Saffron Walden 5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, SW

5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, Cam Villages

WEDNESDAY

8.00am Morning Prayer, Saffron Walden 9.30am Holy Communion, Saffron Walden 9.30am Toddler Church, Great Chesterford

5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, Cam Villages

THURSDAY

5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, Cam Villages

NEXT SUNDAY 30th APRIL

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662

10.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)

6.30pm Taizé/Celtic

St Mary's Debden

9.00am Holy Communion (livestreamed)+APCM

St Botolph's Hadstock

9.00am Holy Communion

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.00am Sung Matins (livestreamed)

All Saints Great Chesterford

10.30am Family Communion

St Mary's Little Chesterford

6.30pm Evensong

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 3rd Sunday of Easter 23rd April 2023

Collect

Risen Christ,

you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

First Reading: Acts 2 v 14a, 36-41

Psalm: 116 v 1-3,10-19

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1 v 17-23

Gospel: Luke 24 v 13-35

On that same day, two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' Jesus asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see Jesus.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized Jesus; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Post Communion

Living God,

your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for eyer.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In April please pray for: St Mary's, Saffron Walden and St Mary's C of E Primary School

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Lionel Bartram

Those whose banns are being read:

Debden: Christopher Potter & Jennifer Mizen,

Tobias Bacon & Olivia Potter

Great Chesterford: Joseph Draper & Katie

Sills

EVENTS

PLANT SALE in aid of Holy Trinity, Littlebury on **Sunday 23rd April**, **TODAY**, from **2-4pm** in the church. Refreshments will also be available. Free admission.

Join us **TONIGHT** as **AFTERSHOCK** returns with a new series on the **ARMOUR OF GOD**. Aftershock is our youth group for young people aged 11+, we meet on Sundays in the Youth Room(Parish Rooms) from **7-8.30pm**.

DARE TO BE A DANIEL!

Home Bible study group in Gt Chesterford on alternate **Wednesday** evenings at **7.30pm**, starting on **26**th **April.** Five studies in the early chapters of Daniel. Further details from John Risby 01799 530232.

PLANT SALE and BBQ at Wendens Ambo Village Hall on Saturday 29th April from 10am -1pm.

OASIS Our next men's lunchtime get together at The Old English Gentleman in Gold Street will be on **Wednesday 3rd May**, from **12noon**. All welcome but if you are planning to come please let me know by **Tuesday 2nd May**. I look forward to seeing you.

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CORONATION WEEKEND IN SEWARDS END Friday 5th 10am-12noon Coffee Morning at the Village Hall

Sunday 7th 10.30am Festival Service at St James

Monday 8th 2pm-4pm Afternoon Tea at St James

All Welcome. Contact Judith Hasler for more details

Please send items for the **GRAPEVINE** to Claire Dunn by **WEDNESDAY** at **9.00am** to associate.stmaryssaffronwalden@gmail.com Please note that this is a different email address to usual.

NOTICES

RECYCLING SPECTACLES There will be a box in St Mary's, SW from Sunday 23rd April collecting your old unwanted spectacles (not cases). These will be sent all over the world by Lions International, even broken ones can be recycled to raise funds. Your donation will be gratefully received. *Pamela Mugliston*

ECO QUESTIONNAIRE Thank you if you have already completed the Eco Questionnaire. We have had 50

responses so far. It would be great if we could get this number to 80 and so we have extended the deadline to the end of April. You will find paper copies at the back of St Mary's church, SW or you can access the questionnaire online via the QR code or this link. https://forms.gle/b9uxFqYLGZSzd1xC6



TRAVELLING WELL TOGETHER booklet from Bishop Guli 'articulating our direction of travel and shared diocesan values, moving forward & suggestions for reflections and discussion'. We have a few remaining copies, please do pick up a copy from your church, particularly if you are a Churchwarden, on the PCC, Deanery synod or Team council.

The **APCM** for St Mary's, SW will take place on Sunday 7th May after the 10.30am service.

Revised **ELECTORAL ROLL** – a list of the members of the revised roll for the Parish of Saffron Walden, including Little Walden and Sewards End, is being displayed in each of the three churches until the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on 7th May 2023. Please let me know of any errors or omissions at cliffordwant@btinternet.com *Clifford Want, Electoral Roll Officer.*

Foreign and British commemorative **STAMPS**, **CURRENCY** & **BRITISH COINS** and notes that are no longer in circulation, please hand to me or St Mary's Parish Office. All proceeds go to Hearing Dogs for Deaf People. *Margaret Walt*

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