

**THIS WEEK'S SERVICES  
IN CHURCH AND ONLINE**

**SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

**St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church/YouTube**

8.00am Holy Communion 1662

President: Andy Colebrooke

**St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church**

10.00am Family Service Leader: Jeremy Trew

Talk: Home Team

**St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church**

6.30pm Holy Communion (with prayers for wholeness & healing)

President: Jeremy Trew

**St Botolph's Hadstock - in Church**

9.30am Holy Communion President: Caroline Curren

**All Saints Ashdon - in Church**

9.30am Sunday Worship Leader: Barbara Marshall

Preacher: Alan Curren

12 noon Baptism Officiant: Caroline Curren

**All Saints' Wimbish - in Church/Zoom**

9.15am Holy Communion President: John Saxon

Preacher: Peter Gray

**CAM VILLAGES ONLINE**

**Wendens Ambo - Zoom**

9.30am Morning Prayer Leader: Angela Want

**TUESDAY - Zoom**

5.00pm Evening Prayer Leader: Mike Felgate

**WEDNESDAY - Zoom**

9.30am Holy Communion President: Chris Bishop

**NEXT SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> JULY  
SERVICES IN CHURCH AND ONLINE**

**St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church**

8.00am Holy Communion 1662

President: Jeremy Trew

**St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church/YouTube/Zoom**

10.00am Holy Communion President: Jeremy Trew

**St James' Swards End - in Church**

9.30am Morning Praise Leader: Chris Bishop

**St John's Little Walden - in Church**

11.15am Holy Communion President: Michael Lovegrove

**All Saints Ashdon - in Church**

9.30am Holy Communion President: Caroline Curren

**St Mary's Debden - in Church/Zoom**

9.15am Holy Communion President: John Saxon

**CAM VILLAGES ONLINE**

**Wendens Ambo - Zoom**

9.30am Family Communion President: Alex Jeewan

**Great Chesterford - Facebook**

11.00am Holy Communion President: Alex Jeewan

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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**

**Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

**18<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

**Collect**

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**First Reading: Ephesians 2.11-22**

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision' – a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands – remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

**Gospel: Mark 6.30-34, 53-56**

The apostles returned from their mission. They gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

**Post Communion**

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In July please pray for: **Saffron Walden Salvation Army Corps, Katherine Semar Schools**

The family and friends of those who have died recently:

**Michael Dix & Patricia Brobyn**

Those who are getting married at St Mary's, SW, on

24<sup>th</sup> July: **Jonathan Irving & Sophie Parkin**

Those who are being baptised today at All Saints Ashdon:

**Popy Beatrice Rose Yates**

## REFLECTIONS - JOHN RISBY

In our recent Gospel readings in Mark we have seen how the response to our Lord's public ministry grew rapidly. Crowds followed him everywhere bringing the sick and longing to hear more of his teaching. It was an exciting time for Jesus and the twelve -and it was also exhausting. 'so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat...' The disciples had just been entrusted to go in pairs on their first mission and were longing to tell Jesus how it had gone, and they and he had just heard the news that King Herod had executed John the Baptist. A lot to think about.....and still the crowds....

The Lord had tried to take the twelve away to a secluded place to eat, to debrief, to rest and to pray. Still the crowds.....the crowds had twigged where they were going and, in fact, arrived at the intended quiet spot first. In his compassion the Lord began teaching once again, and at the end of the day he had provided the 5000 with sustenance for their journey home. And leaving the disciples for a time, Jesus went up into a mountain -and there he prayed.

There are times in our lives when we find everything seems to get on top of us....we have busy days [good days often!] but days that leave us feeling very tired and longing for rest. And these can be times when coincidentally our minds can be in turmoil because there are decisions or problems that require attention. As they say like buses they all come at once! We could say that that is life with its ebbs and flows of activities and challenges. Our Gospel reading reminds us there will always be more to be done than we can do, just as it was in our Lord's time. He saw the crowds and had compassion, but he could only meet the needs of so many. In seeking to pray with his Father, our Lord sought to align himself with the Father's will, and to deal with situations as they arose.

In our busy, restless, anxious age, we [and I speak to myself here!] we would do well to remember the God-given sabbath principle of one day's rest in seven, and the value of a daily quiet time with our Lord reading his word and responding in prayer-praise and petition.

## PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

O Sabbath rest by Galilee, O calm of hills above, where Jesus knelt to share with Thee, the silence of eternity, interpreted by love. Drop thy still dews of quietness till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace. Amen

## BIBLE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

<b>Mon 19<sup>th</sup></b>	Morning Psalm 1 & 2 Corinthians 11:1-15 Evening Psalm 4
<b>Tue 20<sup>th</sup></b>	Morning Psalm 5 & 2 Corinthians 11:16-end Evening Psalm 9 & Luke 22:31-38
<b>Wed 21<sup>st</sup></b>	Morning Psalm 119:1-32 & 2 Corinthians: Chapter 12 Evening Psalm 11
<b>Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	Morning Psalm 30 & Luke 8:1-3 Evening Psalm 63
<b>Fri 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	Morning Psalm 19 & James 1:1-11 Evening Psalm 22
<b>Sat 24<sup>th</sup></b>	Morning Psalm 23 & James 1:12-end Evening Psalm 24

## NEWS

**ST MARY'S, SW** is now open every day from 10am-4pm for visits and prayer. Ashdon church is also open every day and Hadstock is open by appointment.

**SERVICES IN CHURCH** Please continue to book in advance for services at St Mary's whilst numbers are restricted and to assist with Track and Trace. Book online using the link on the website or bulletin or by contacting the Parish Office before noon on Friday.

**ONLINE WEEKDAY SERVICES:** In view of the continuing COVID restrictions, 9.30am Wednesday Holy Communion and 5pm Tuesday Evening Prayer will remain on Zoom throughout July. If restrictions are lifted, the Wednesday service will be held in church from 4<sup>th</sup> August, instead of on Zoom. Tuesday Evening Prayer will remain on Zoom in August but hopes to return to church once a month from September.

All are welcome to join **RACHEL'S LICENSING SERVICE ONLINE** on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** at 7.30pm. It will be livestreamed via The Church in Great Notley's Facebook page. Thank you for your support. Love from Rachel

We are planning a performance of the **FAURÉ REQUIEM** on **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July** at 5pm. This will be the culmination of a 'Come and Sing' project earlier in the afternoon and feature local musicians, with St Mary's Choral Scholars singing the solo parts. There are still some places available for any interested singing participants. Please email [choirsmw@gmail.com](mailto:choirsmw@gmail.com) for further details. *Oli King*

**CHANCEL ROOF** The metal on the roof needs replacing and the work should start in September. The Faculty has been applied for and we are now in the 28 day period when our proposals are open for public consultation. These can be seen at <https://facultyonline.churchofengland.org/FAS/ApplicationPublicNotice.aspx?id=62153> *Steve Hasler*

**LIFTS TO CHURCH – DRIVERS NEEDED** As restrictions ease, we would like to offer lifts to the 10am service to those who are unable to get there on their own. We need about half a dozen volunteers to help us on a rota basis, roughly once a month. Can you help? Please contact me for more information. *Judith Hasler*

**YEAR 6 SCHOOL LEAVERS BIBLES** Thank you to all of you who gave towards the Good News Bibles that we bought to present to Year 6 School Leavers at St Mary's school. Thank you for your generosity. I am sure they will be treasured by all the Year 6 pupils. *Dawn Saxon*

Please send items for the **GRAPEVINE** to [secretary.swrectory@ntlworld.com](mailto:secretary.swrectory@ntlworld.com) by 9.00am on Wednesday.

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