

PARISH DIARY

TODAY 29th July 2018

Saffron Walden	8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662
	President:	David Tomlinson
	10.00am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President:	David Tomlinson
	Preacher:	Tim Hardingham
	12 noon	BAPTISM
	Officiant:	David Tomlinson
	1.00pm	BAPTISM
	Officiant:	David Tomlinson
	6.30pm	TAIZÉ SERVICE
Leader:	Marisa Baltrock	
Ashdon	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President:	Richard Spencer
Debden (joint service with Wimbish)	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President:	Jeremy Collingwood
	Preacher:	John Saxon

THIS WEEK (All at St Mary's Saffron Walden, unless stated)

Monday 30th July

8.30am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 31st July

8.30am Morning Prayer

8.30am Morning Prayer *at Hadstock*

2.30pm Funeral of Muriel Davison

5.00pm Evening Prayer *in the North Chapel***Wednesday 1st August**

8.30am Morning Prayer

9.30am Holy Communion

Thursday 2nd August

8.30am Morning Prayer

11.00am Funeral of Sydney Haselton

1.00pm Healing Service

2.30pm Funeral of James Doble

Friday 3rd August

8.30am Morning Prayer

Saturday 4th August

9.00am Prayer Meeting in the Parish Rooms

12 noon Wedding of Richard Slade & Rosemarie McArdle

6.30pm In Spirit and Truth *at Ashdon*NEXT SUNDAY 5th August 2018

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	11.00am	VILLAGE WORSHIP

Post Communion (cont'd from front page)

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.



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

Welcome to our services today
Ninth Sunday after Trinity
29th July 2018

Collect

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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 3.14-21*

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel: *John 6.1-21*

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Jesus, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.' When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Churches Together Prayer Cycle: In July please pray for SW Salvation Army Corps and Katherine Semar Schools.

Those who are unwell: Stan Bradley, Dennis Sheldrick, Jenny Gallant & Lynn Treneary, St Mary's CMS Link Partner.

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Sydney (known as Syd) Haselton, James (known as Jim) Doble, Muriel Davison & Derek Bond

Those who are being baptised today at St Marys SW: Sebastian/Savannah Peterson, Isla Cunningham & Tristan Walker

Those who are getting married at St Mary's SW on 4th August: Richard Slade & Rosemarie McArdle

EVENTS

M5 MEN'S LUNCH Our next lunchtime get-together at the Kings Arms on Market Hill will be on **Wednesday 1st August** from 12:15. You'll be assured of a warm welcome so come and join us and bring a friend. We look forward to seeing you. *Bill Rose*

THE NEXT TIME OF SILENT PRAYER will be on **Thursday 2nd August** at 10am in St Mary's Parish Rooms. All welcome. *Anne Rose*

A SERVICE WITH PRAYERS FOR WHOLENESS & HEALING will take place on **Thursday 2nd August** at 1 o'clock in St Mary's Church, SW. All welcome whether you seek healing for yourself or another.

On **Saturday 4th August** at 4pm Oliver King and Martin Huggett will be performing another **CONCERT OF PIANO DUETS** in St Mary's church. SW. Do come along and bring your friends to enjoy a programme of duets including pieces by Felix and Fanny Mendelssohn and Camille Saint-Saëns. *Bron Ferland*

THE VBS COMMISSIONING SERVICE takes place in the VBS marquee in the grounds of Saffron Walden County High School at **1:30pm** on **Sunday 5th August**. We are also having a bring your own picnic at 1pm and everybody is welcome to join us. VBS is an outreach mission, where Jesus is proclaimed to nearly 500 children and over 100 adult volunteers. Therefore we feel it is key, that at the start of the mission, we pray for the workers that they will be empowered by God - Matt 9:37-38 he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." The speaker will be Revd Rachel Prior from St. Mary's, SW. We would love to see as many people as possible joining us in this launch of VBS 2018. **ALSO** - is anyone able to help with the setup on **Saturday 4th** or putaway on **Friday afternoon 10th**? We are particularly short of assistance on Saturday morning. Please contact Jonathan Burton - burtonj73@googlemail.com 540533.

THE RT. REV'D DEREK BOND'S funeral is on **Wednesday 15th August** at 2.00pm at St Mary's, Saffron Walden. Do keep Valerie, his widow, and the family in your prayers. *David*

TIM HARDINGHAM AND NELL BACON invite all members of our church family to our wedding on **15th September** at 2.30pm, please feel free to come to any parts of it. It would help us in the organisation if you could RSVP to the website www.NellandTim.com or send an e-mail to tim&nell2018@gmail.com.

NOTICES

Wednesday 26th September 7.30pm St Mary's **WOMAN OF THE YEAR** - Comedy character show written and performed by Anna Nicholson with Bobby Goulder, piano. Fundraising event for the Building Project. Tickets £10/£8 concessions from Caroline Goulder, the churchwardens or St Mary's Parish Office.

ST MARY'S BOOK GROUP will not meet in August. Their next meeting will be at 8.15pm on **Friday 28th September** at 4 Castle Street to discuss **Rachel Joyce's** novel **The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry**. I have copies: please let me know if you would like one (SW 520291). New members are always welcome. *Robin O'Neill*.

LIVING QUESTIONS Want to know more what it means to 'follow Jesus Christ'? Then this 7 week course which begins on **Tuesday 2nd October** at 7.45pm is for you. Let me know if you'd like to book a place. *David*

CONFIRMATION SERVICE on **25th November** at 10am at St Mary's church, SW. If you are interested in being confirmed, I'd be pleased to hear from you. *David*

VERGERS FOR FUNERALS NEEDED If you can help on an ad hoc basis, speak to me. *David*

THE REV'D ANDY FINN - former youth worker at St Mary's, SW - has been appointed priest-in-charge at St Simon's, Southsea, in the Diocese of Portsmouth. Do hold Andy, Tamar and the family in your prayers at this time of transition. *David*

THE CHILDREN'S CORNER which is for pre-school children has now returned to the back of St Mary's church, SW. Older children can collect activity bags from the welcomers to share with parents in the pews. *Gill Caswell*

JIMMY'S: Please remember our collection for Jimmy's next Sunday 5th August. The noticeboard at the back of St Mary's Church, SW, gives you details. Thank you.

"**PARISH NEWS**" is published this weekend and is available on St Mary's Church SW Book Stall.

SERVICE SHEET: If you would like a copy of the Service Sheet in large print, please ask one of the Welcomers at St Mary's church, SW. All items for the **GRAPEVINE** should be sent to secretary.swrectory@ntlworld.com by **9am on Wednesdays**. *Thank you.*

THE TRANSITION PROJECT

Self-help and support, CV writing and improving, Interview practice, job search, discussion. Tuesdays 10am to 12 noon in the Parish Rooms, beside St Mary's Church, SW, www.transitionproject.co.uk

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