

PARISH DIARY

TODAY 19th August 2018

Saffron Walden	8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662
	President: David Tomlinson	
	10.00am	FAMILY SERVICE
	Leader: Rachel Prior	
	Talk: David Tomlinson	
Saffron Walden	11.45am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President: David Tomlinson	
	6.30pm	HOLY COMMUNION with prayers for wholeness & healing
Hadstock	President: Angela Want	
	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
Ashdon	President: Paula Griffiths	
	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
Debden	President: Chris Bishop	
	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
Wimbish	President: John Sibson	
	Preacher: John Saxon	
	11.00am	MATTINS
	Leader: John Saxon	

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

Monday 20th August

8.30am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 21st August

8.30am Morning Prayer

8.30am Morning Prayer *at Hadstock*5.00pm Evening Prayer *in the North Chapel*Wednesday 22nd August

8.30am Morning Prayer

9.30am Holy Communion

Thursday 23rd August

8.30am Morning Prayer

Friday 24th August

8.30am Morning Prayer

9.30am Holy Communion - *Bartholomew*Saturday 25th August

9.00am Morning Prayer

1.00pm Wedding of William Rawles & Amelia Ballard

2.00pm Wedding of Adam Nix & Rosanna Kennard *at All Saints, Ashdon*

3.30pm Wedding of David Reynolds & Faye-Eves Glover

NEXT SUNDAY 26th August 2018

Saffron Walden	8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662
	10.00am	HOLY COMMUNION
	6.30pm	EVENSONG
Sewards End	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
Little Walden	11.15am	HOLY COMMUNION
Hadstock	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
Ashdon	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
Debden	9.30am	MATTINS
Wimbish	11.00am	HOLY COMMUNION

See St Mary's church, SW, website at www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org to find out more.



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

Welcome to our services today
Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
19th August 2018

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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 5.15-20

Brothers and sisters, be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: John 6.51-58

Jesus said to the Jews: 'I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.' The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Post Communion

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Churches Together Prayer Cycle: In August please pray for SW Baptist church & RA Butler Schools.

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

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Elizabeth Robson

Those who are getting married on 25th August: William Rawles & Amelia Ballard, David Reynolds & Faye-Eves Glover at **St Mary's, Saffron Walden**
Adam Nix & Rosanna Kennard at **All Saints, Ashdon**

EVENTS

COURSE IN CHRISTIAN STUDIES The Course in Christian Studies is a two year course exploring the Christian faith with others. It will be taking place in Great Dunmow on Tuesday evenings from 7.30-9.30 and starts in **September**. Many people have found it to be stimulating, challenging, and inspiring! For more info about the course please explore the course page on the Chelmsford diocesan website or speak to Rachel.

RIDE AND STRIDE 2018 is on **Sat 8th Sep.** and details are on display near to the servery in St Mary's SW if you wish to take part. David and Steve are joining Archdeacon Robin to ride the boundary of the Archdeaconry, 150 miles, on Sat 8th and Sun 9th. If you would like to sponsor them, half comes back to St Mary's, there are sponsorship forms and a link to their Just Giving websites on the display.

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.

Reminder that our **HARVEST FAMILY SERVICE** will be on the **16th September** which gives you an opportunity to bring food to offer which will go to Jimmy's Night Shelter. *Matt Williamson*

Fundraising event for the Building Project **Wednesday 26th September** 7.30pm at St Mary's, SW, **WOMAN OF THE YEAR** - Comedy character show written and performed by Anna Nicholson with Bobby Goulder, piano. 5 full house performances so far at the Edinburgh Fringe! Tickets £10/£8 concessions from Caroline Goulder or the churchwardens or Parish Office. Or come to buy your ticket at Caroline's, 29 Saxon Way on Tuesday 21st August 10-12 and have a coffee and some cake!

LIVING QUESTIONS Want to know more about 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*

FRIENDS FESTIVAL SERVICE AND AGM The date has been changed from Sunday 9th September to **Sunday 14th October**. *Pamela Mugliston*

CONFIRMATION CLASSES Matt and Rachel will be running sessions for young people aged 11+ in preparation for the Confirmation Service at St Mary's on 25th November. Please let Matt or Rachel know if you or someone you know is interested.

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*

NOTICES

TODAY

ROAD CLOSURE Church Street between Common Hill and Museum Street. This is to facilitate utility works to a property. The 'one way' traffic regulation in Church Street will therefore be suspended whilst the works takes place, to enable vehicles to both enter and leave Church Street from the High Street end. *Mike Felgate*

COFFEE, CAKES AND COMPANY 3.00pm in St Mary's Parish Rooms. All welcome.

The **NEW WC** is now finished and will be unlocked and available for use during all services and other events in St Mary's church, SW. *Denis & Gill*

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY We will be holding our **CHRISTMAS FAIR** on **Saturday 24th November** on the theme of Pantomime characters. Join us for a fun day to raise funds for St Mary's, SW, and start our Christmas celebrations. Richard Garvey, a recent arrival to Saffron Walden, is coordinating the arrangements, tel. 521129, email aptonfields@supanet.com with support from an experienced team who have seen and done it all before! Pamela Mugliston tel. 521697, email pjinteddybear@btinternet.com would like to hear from anyone willing to run the Tombola stall. New volunteers will be very welcome to join us at a meeting of stallholders on **Thursday 13th September** at 7.00pm in St Mary's church, SW.

Please note that **THE TRANSITION PROJECT** will *not* be held on Tuesday 28th August. *Graham Cottam*

The **MONDO FOUNDATION BAKE SALE** raised an amazing £251.33; many thanks to everyone for your generosity and cake contributions. I will be looking forward to giving more feedback when I return from Nepal. *Evonne Baltrock*

SMMA BURSARY St Mary's Music Association is offering up to £250 to support the musical training and education of a young musician in St. Mary's parish in full time education. It can be used for music lessons, training courses or sheet music but not for the purchase of a musical instrument or accessories. Preference will be given to applicants who use their skills in music-making at St Mary's, SW. Applications must be received by 31st August 2018 and the bursary will run from September 2018 to August 2019. For further details, conditions and/or application form, please contact the SMMA Chairman, Bron Ferland, Tel: 07928 339310, Email: music@stmaryssaffronwalden.org

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