

PARISH DIARY

TODAY 9th September 2018

Saffron Walden	8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662
	President: Paula Griffiths 10.00am	HOLY COMMUNION + TEAM JC
Sewards End	6.30pm	CHORAL EVENSONG
	Officiant: Paula Griffiths 9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
Little Walden	President: John Sibson 11.15am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President: John Sibson 9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662
Hadstock	President: Paula Griffiths 9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President: Andy Colebrooke 6.30pm	EVENSONG
Ashdon	Officiant: Marisa Baltrock 9.30am	FAMILY SERVICE
	Leader: Home Team 11.00am	HOLY COMMUNION
Debden	President: Angela Want	
Wimbish		

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

Monday 10th September	
8.30am	Morning Prayer
Tuesday 11th September	
8.30am	Morning Prayer
8.30am	Morning Prayer <i>at Hadstock</i>
5.00pm	Evening Prayer <i>in the North Chapel</i>
Wednesday 12th September	
8.00am	Morning Prayer
9.30am	Holy Communion
Thursday 13th September	
8.30am	Morning Prayer
Friday 14th September	
8.30am	Morning Prayer
9.30am	Holy Communion - <i>Holy Cross</i>
Saturday 15th September	
9.00am	Morning Prayer
12 noon	Wedding of Richard Kruller & Rebecca Adams <i>at Debden</i>
2.30pm	Wedding of Tim Hardingham & Elizabeth (Nell) Bacon

NEXT SUNDAY 16th September 2018

Saffron Walden	8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662
	10.00am	HARVEST FAMILY SERVICE
Hadstock	11.45am	HOLY COMMUNION
	6.30pm	HOLY COMMUNION with prayers for wholeness & healing
Ashdon	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
Debden	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
Wimbish	11.00am	MATTINS

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



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The Grapevine

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

Welcome to our services today
Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
Patronal Festival
Blessed Virgin Mary

Collect

Almighty God,
 who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; 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: Galatians 4.4-7

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Gospel: Luke 1.46-55

'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Post Communion

God most high, whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh: we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption you visit us with your Holy Spirit and overshadow us by your power; strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Churches Together Prayer Cycle: In September please pray for Chrishall School.

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

Those whose wedding banns are being called:

Christopher Cook & Kimberley Vincent (SW and Littlebury), Michael Williams & Gillian Turner (Wimbish)

EVENTS

WWW (Women Who Wonder) will meet again at 8pm on **Tuesday 11th September** at Gill Caswell's home, 59A Claypit Piece, SW when Jenny Tomlinson will lead a discussion about the role of women in Jesus's ministry. All women of working age or thereabouts are very welcome to join this friendly group. Further information from alisoncinque@hotmail.com.

Thursday 13th September MU Holy Communion 2.00pm in the North Chapel 2pm followed by tea and biscuits in St Mary's Parish Rooms. All welcome

REMINDER - CHRISTMAS FAYRE STALLHOLDERS

MEETING Thursday 13th September in the Church at 7pm. This is an invitation to current and new stallholders plus helpers. All your ideas/questions welcome.

All Saints Church, Ashdon, **OPEN DAY** on **Saturday 15th September** from 11am to 4pm. Musical entertainment, church tours and children's activities in the church; BBQ, bar and cakes in the churchyard; entrance free. Parking in church lane. Everyone welcome. Enquiries Mat Lester 01799 584564.

CHARLES COWPER is to serve here as pastoral assistant for a year. His first Sunday with us will be **16th September**. Do pray for him. *David*

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*

HERITAGE OPEN DAY **Sunday 16th September** 2-5pm at St Mary's, Saffron Walden. See display of Life under the Normans and parts of the church not normally reached: bell tower, organ loft, Audley tomb, church records, biographies of Extraordinary Women after whom local schools named, refreshments. *Clifford Want*

COFFEE, CAKES AND COMPANY **Sunday 16th September** 3pm - in St Mary's Parish Rooms. All welcome.

Come and enjoy TABLE TALK - 'a game of conversations' : a chance to talk in friendly surroundings over a cup of coffee about the things that matter. **Hadstock Village Hall (Church Path, Hadstock), Tuesday 18 September 2.30 - 4 pm.** All welcome: no need to book. Contact Paula Griffiths 01799 599141 for further information.

NEXT THURSDAY PRAISE is on **Thursday 20th September** in St Mary's parish rooms. The theme is 'thirsting for God' and the Bible reading Psalm 42. Come from 7.45pm onwards for teaching, worship and conversation. Further dates are **18th Oct and 29th Nov**. If you can help set up and serve coffee from 7.30pm on any of these evenings, do let me know. *David*

FAREWELL TO THE TAYLORS! Peter and Margaret Taylor are planning to move to Hampshire in October to be nearer their family. There will be an opportunity to join them for A Bring and Share Lunch, and to say goodbye, in St Mary's Parish Rooms, on **Sunday 23rd September** at 12.15 for 12.30pm. If you would like to come, please sign up on the board at the back St Mary's church, SW. *Judith Felgate*

4** Review** from Edinburgh Fringe and 10 full houses for the character comedy show **WOMAN OF THE YEAR!** Fundraising event for the Building Project, **Wednesday 26th September** 7.30pm at St Mary's. Written and performed by Anna Nicholson with Bobby Goulder, piano. Tickets from Caroline Goulder, the wardens or St Mary's Parish Office.

I have been overwhelmed by good wishes, cards, gifts and party celebrations on the occasion of my birthday. My thanks to all *Eunice Harris*

NOTICES

TODAY

RIDE AND STRIDE 2018 David and Steve rode halfway around the boundary of the Archdeaconry yesterday, completing 75 miles, and will finish the ride today (Sun 9th). If you would like to sponsor them, half comes back to St Mary's, there are sponsorship forms on display near to the servery in St Mary's S/W and a link to their Just Giving web-sites on the display

HOME MADE JAM will be on sale at the back of St Mary's after the 10 o'clock service, £2 a pot for the Building Project. *Lesley Green*

RACHEL PRIOR AND JOHN SAXON are to be ordained to the priesthood on **Saturday 29th September** at St Mary's Saffron Walden at 3pm. The parishes of Debden and Wimbish, where John spends most of his time, are buying him a gift to mark the occasion. Contributions to Rachel's gift from SW parish can be handed in to the parish office, cheques payable to 'Saffron Walden PCC.' Thank you. *David*

SAFFRON WALDEN BIBLE FOCUS **Saturday 29th September** at the Abbey Lane URC 3.00pm and 5.30pm. Theme: 'Christlike living in today's world' Speaker: John Risbridger, Chairman, Evangelical Alliance. Further details: www.waldenbiblefocus.com

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*

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*

WOMEN'S OWN is taking a break and we will therefore not be meeting for the rest of the year, whilst its future is being reviewed. *Judith Felgate*

XL Mentoring – Saffron Walden are looking for new mentors to help support the new Year 10 students. Mentors meet weekly with a young person, to drink tea, play sport, talk homework and share adventures. If you think you might be interested please come along to our next free training course: Thursdays 27th September, 4th, 11th and 18th October, 7.15pm, St Mary's Parish Rooms. There's no commitment and we'd love to see you there. Questions? Email xlmentoring@sw@gmail.com or phone Sarah on 584617 (evenings)

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, Saffron Walden www.transitionproject.co.uk

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