The Grapevine

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

Welcome to our services today Seventh Sunday of Easter 2nd June 2019

Collect

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading: Acts 16.16-34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation. She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe. The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Gospel: John 17.20-26

Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed: 'Holy Father, I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. 'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

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PARISH DIARY		
TODAY		2 nd June 2019
Saffron Walden	8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662
	President:	Rachel Prior
	10.00am	HOLY COMMUNION +
		TEAM JC
	President:	Rachel Prior
	Preacher:	Andy Colebrooke
	6.30pm	H2H YOUTH LED SERVICE
	Leader:	Matt Williamson
Hadstock	9.30am	CAFÉ CHURCH
	Leader:	Paula Griffiths
Ashdon	8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662
	President:	Richard Spencer
	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President:	Richard Spencer
Debden	9.15am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President:	John Sibson
Wimbish	11.00am	VILLAGE WORSHIP
		@ ST PAUL'S
	Leader:	Home Team

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

Monday 3rd June

8.30am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 4th June

8.30am Morning Prayer

8.30am Morning Prayer at Hadstock

2.00pm St Mary's Tinies 5.00pm Evening Prayer **Wednesday 5th June** 8.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Holy Communion

Thursday 6th June8.30am Morning Prayer
1.00pm Healing Service

Friday 7th June

8.30am Morning Prayer **Saturday 8th June**

9.00am Morning Prayer

1.00pm Wedding of Daniel De'ath & Sarah Aslaksen

NEXT SUNDAY		9 th June 2019
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Sewards End	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
Little Walden	11.15am	FAMILY SERVICE
Ashdon	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
	6.30pm	EVENSONG
Debden	9.15am	FAMILY SERVICE
Wimbish	11.00am	FLOWER FESTIVAL
		SONGS OF PRAISE

Post Communion (cont'd from front page)

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



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



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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Churches Together Prayer Cycle: In June please pray for Saffron Walden Assemblies Team, Stort Valley Schools Trust Those who are unwell: Stan Bradley, Dennis Sheldrick Christine Coughlan, Ella Martin

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Isobel Bernstein, Allan Goodver, Jacqueline Brooks Those whose wedding banns are being called at St Mary's, Saffron Walden: Ian Macdonald & Rachael Southall Those who are getting married at St Mary's Saffron Walden on 8th June: Daniel De'ath & Sarah Aslaksen

EVENTS

M5 MEN'S LUNCH Our next lunchtime get-together at the Kings Arms on Market Hill will be on Wednesday 5th June from 12:15. You'll be assured of a warm welcome. Bill Rose THE FREE LUNCHTIME CONCERT AT ST MARY'S, SAFFRON WALDEN on 5th June at 1.10 pm will be given by former assistant organist, Stephen Penton. Refreshments available from 12.30pm. All welcome. Bron Ferland THE NEXT TIME OF SILENT PRAYER will be on Thursday 6th June at 10am in St Mary's Parish Rooms. All welcome.

A SERVICE WITH PRAYERS FOR WHOLENESS & **HEALING** will take place on **Thursday 6th June** at 1 o'clock in St Mary's Church, SW. All welcome whether you seek healing for yourself or another.

COFFEE MORNING at the Friends Meeting House on Sat 8th June from 10.30am-12.30pm in aid of World Day of Prayer. Coffee, cakes and gift stall. All welcome. Ruby Parsons FLOWER FESTIVAL 'FORTY DAYS AND FORTY NIGHTS', 8th & 9th June from 12 noon at All Saints Church, Wimbish, CB10 2XG. Lunches, teas, stalls and entertainment. Further details www.wimbishchurch.org.uk. Fran Johnson ASHDON OPEN GARDENS CB10 2ET - 11am to 5pm on **Sun 9th June**. Programmes from outside Village Hall and from All Saints church rooms; £5 adults, children free. Parking around the village. Coffee/lunches in the village hall; coffee/ teas in the church rooms. Disabled facilities. Proceeds to All Saints Church, Ashdon - details 584945. Robert Gardner WWW We will be meeting on 11th June 8pm at 59a Clay Pit Piece when Pam Russell will be giving an inspiring talk on 'Faith and Flowers'. The group is open to all women of working age or thereabouts. Further details from gill.cas@hotmail.com **COURSE IN CHRISTIAN STUDIES** taster evening on Tuesday 11th June at 7.30pm at St Mark's College (please note change of time). For a current student's opinion of the course contact Sam: samuelprior@hotmail.com . To register an interest contact: andy.colebrooke@gmail.com (01799 732970). MOTHERS' UNION Please note no meeting until 20th June at 2.00pm for Wave of Prayer @ The Salvation Army. Committee Meeting on 13th June at 10.30am at 1 Sedop Close. Eunice Harris, Honorary Secretary

Our next MEN'S BREAKFAST will be on Saturday 15th June at The Kings Arms. Market Hill. Saffron Walden, when our guest speaker will be Revd Alex Jeewan, Team Vicar for the Cam Valley parishes, based at Great Chesterford. The title of his talk is "Nick Drake - A Lost Son Comes Home". Coffee/ tea from 8:15 with a full English breakfast at 8:30. All welcome but numbers are limited; please sign up on the notice board at the back of St Mary's church, SW, asap, or contact Bill Rose (email: wir2163@gmail.com, tel. 01799 516609).

HADSTOCK FETE takes place on Saturday 15th June, 1.30 -5pm on the Village Green in Hadstock. Come and enjoy a wide range of stalls, games, and refreshments. All welcome. Paula MORE IN COMMON on the Common will be taking place on Saturday 22nd June from 12pm - 4pm. Bring a picnic and come and join the community for an afternoon of music, dance, and craft activities as we celebrate that we have more in common than that which divides us. Rachel

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON CHAMBER CHOIR, Sunday 23rd June - 4pm, Littlebury Holy Trinity Church. Tickets £12 (children free) in aid of Friends of Holy Trinity Littlebury. Tickets: susan.amiss7@gmail.com and Saffron Walden Tourist Information. Janice Rust

NOTICES

TODAY

MEMBERS OF THE PRAYER MINISTRY TEAM are available to offer prayer for yourself or someone you care about. Simply go to the clergy vestry after you have been to the altar for communion or a blessing. David

THY KINGDOM COME In response to the Archbishop's call to prayer between Ascension and Pentecost, St Mary's, SW. is setting up All Age Prayer Stations for anyone to come at any time to pray.. Please see timetable at the back of church. Do support this national movement the nation needs your prayers! Sue Walker

DAVID SHEPPARD WILL BE ORDAINED PRIEST in St Alban's Cathedral at 4pm on Saturday 29th June. He will then be presiding at the 10am Eucharist at St Mary's, Ware, the following morning when our Rector will be preaching. Friends from St Mary's SW will be most welcome to either or both services. There will be a congratulatory card to sign at the back of church. Denis

CONGRATULATIONS TO PAULA whose licence at Hadstock has been extended by Bishop Stephen to June 2021. This is wonderful news for Hadstock and for the Saffron Walden team. Denis/Gill

FLOWER FESTIVAL IN AUGUST Please sign up on St Mary's noticeboard if you are free to help with stewarding duties. Many thanks. Pamela Mugliston

To enable St Mary's, Saffron Walden, to continue to offer BRUNCH at our monthly Family Service we desperately need MORE VOLUNTEERS. If you can give up a few hours of your time then please get in touch with Carolyn London, email: carolynlondon@live.co.uk

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE CLASS OF '39 - ARE YOU. OR WILL YOU BE, 80 THIS YEAR? A number of members of St Mary's, Saffron Walden, or their spouses, are, or will be, 80 this year. A small gathering is planned but we don't want to leave anyone out because we are unsure about their significant birth year. If you, or your spouse, are a member of the Class of '39, please tell Rufus Barnes on SW 523776 so you can be sure of an invitation.

WEEKEND AWAY 12th - 14th June 2020, Belsey Bridge near Bungay Suffolk. Our theme is 'Sharing God's Love: Come and See' and our speaker is Bishop Roger Morris. Enjoy a weekend of friendship, learning together and fun for all the family. There is comfortable accommodation (including many en-suite rooms) and delicious fully catered meals from Friday dinner to Sunday afternoon tea. There will be a creche and, activities for under 11s and 11-17 year olds. Cost £140-£170 per person full board, day rates available, under 18s FREE. www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/weekendaway2020

£25pp deposit required by 30th June. Sarah Nicholas SCHOOL LEAVERS BIBLES We will once again be presenting a Good News Bible to each year 6 pupil leaving St Mary's School at the end of the term. If you would like to make a contribution for these Bibles (approx. £11 per bible), please put your donation in an envelope clearly marked "SCHOOL BIBLES" and leave it in St Mary's Parish Office. Thank you. Dawn Saxon

COPY for next month's "PARISH NEWS" should be in St Mary's Parish Office by Sunday 9th June.

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