THIS WEEK'S SERVICES IN CHURCH AND ONLINE

SUNDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER

St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church

8.00am Holy Communion 1662 President: Jeremy Trew

St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church/YouTube

10.00am Holy Communion President: Jeremy Trew

St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church

12 noon Baptism Officiant: Jeremy Trew

6.30pm H2H Youth Led Service

St Botolph's Hadstock - in Church

9.30ams Sunday Worship Leader: Home Team

Talk: Alan Currer

All Saints Ashdon - in Church

9.30am Holy Communion President: Caroline Currer

11.30am Baptism Officiant: Caroline Currer

All Saints' Wimbish - in Church

5.00pm Flower Festival Leader: John Saxon

Talk: Jeremy Trew

CAM VILLAGES ONLINE Wendens Ambo - Zoom

10.00am Thanksgiving Gathering

Leader: Sam Slota-Newson

Great Chesterford - Facebook

11.00am Morning Prayer Leader: Elizabeth Marshall

TUESDAY - **St Mary's Saffron Walden - North Chapel** 5.00pm Evening Prayer Leader: Sue Walker

WEDNESDAY - St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church

9.30am Holy Communion President: Jeremy Trew

NEXT SUNDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER SERVICES IN CHURCH AND ONLINE

St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church

8.00am Holy Communion 1662

President: Michael Lovegrove

St Mary's Saffron Walden - in Church/YouTube

10.00am Patronal Holy Communion

President: Jeremy Trew

6.30pm Choral Evensong Officiant: Jeremy Trew

St James' Sewards End - in Church

9.30am Holy Communion President: Chris Bishop

St John's Little Walden - in Church

11.15am Family Service Leader: Tracey Nicholls

All Saints Ashdon - in Church

9.30am Holy Communion President: Caroline Currer

St Mary's Debden - in Church/Zoom

9.30am Family Praise Leader: John Saxon

CAM VILLAGES ONLINE Wendens Ambo - Zoom

9.30am Family Service Leader: Alex Jeewan

Great Chesterford - Facebook

11.00am Holy Communion President: Alex Jeewan

1.00pm Baptism Officiant: Alex Jeewan

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

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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 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity 5th September 2021

Collect

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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: Isaiah 35.4-7a

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Gospel: *Mark* 7.24-37

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.' Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go - the demon has left your daughter.' So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened.' And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

Post Communion

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In September please pray for: Society of Friends, Saffron Walden, Chrishall School

Those who are being baptised today: **Aaliyah Rae Clark** at All Saints Ashdon, **Aoife-Luna Cann** at St Mary's SW The family and friends of those who have died recently: **Audrey Greenaway**

EVENTS & NOTICES

4th & 5th September FLOWER FESTIVAL, All Saints Church Wimbish CB10 2XG. Theme: 'Praise and Thanksgiving'. Please note timings Saturday 1.00pm - 5.00pm BBQ and Teas. Sunday 2.00pm - 5.00pm Cream Teas. Refreshments served outside. Music and stalls both days. Sunday 5.00pm 'Flower Festival Praise' with Rev Jeremy Trew. Further details on www.wimbishchurch.org.uk *Fran Johnson*

MOTHERS' UNION HOLY COMMUNION, St Mary's SW North Chapel, **9**th **September** at 2pm. We are pleased to have Canon Chris Bishop leading the Service and Lydia Smith giving the Sermon. All are welcome to meet Lydia again. Tea and cake after the Service. *Helen Hawkes*

MEN'S WALK Bi-monthly walks start again on **Saturday 11**th **September**. We meet at the west door of St Marys, Saffron Walden at 10am and from there, travel to Sewards End Village Hall to walk a fairly easy and flat 5 miles circular taking in St James, Sewards End and All Saints, Wimbish with a pub lunch in Saffron Walden afterwards. All welcome. Further details from 07736 070508. *Anthony Armon-Jones*

GREAT & LITTLE CHESTERFORD AUTUMN FETE This will be held in conjunction with the usual **Teddy Bears**' **Parachute Jump**, and have as many stalls and games as will fit into the churchyard space, after allowing for the teddies' landing strip. **Saturday 11**th **September**, All Saints Churchyard at 12.30pm with a barbecue. *Elizabeth Marshall*

SAFFRON WALDEN BIBLE FOCUS

Saturday 11th September 2.30 - 7.00pm at Abbey Lane URC 'Get Ready! The day of the Lord is coming' Speaker: Revd. Rob Hudson. Pre-booking required. Parallel children and youth programme available. For more information, pick up a flier from St Mary's church, SW, or look at the website www.waldenbiblefocus.com

THE FRIENDS AGM will take place in the Parish Rooms immediately after the 10am Patronal Service on **Sunday 12**th **September**. Chairs will be arranged to allow for social distancing. *Pamela Mugliston, Secretary.*

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR REV JEREMY COLLINGWOOD 12 noon **Saturday 18th September** at St Mary's, SW, followed by Hog Roast at home (or Baptist Church Hall if wet). You are warmly invited to both - please come! *Margaret*

HOME GROUPS Interested in joining or forming a home group? Have a look at our web page on St Mary's website and contact Alan Currer on 01799 584839 or alancurrer@btinternet.com

BIBLE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Mon 6 th Morning Psalm 1 & Mark 9:38-end Evening Psalm 4	
Tue 7 th Morning Psalm 5 & Mark 10:1-16	
Evening Psalm 9 & Acts 13:44-14.7	
Wed 8 th Morning Psalm 119:1-32 & Mark 10:17-31	
Evening Psalm 11	
Thurs 9 th Morning Psalm 15 & Mark 10:32-34	
Evening Psalm 18	
Fri 10 th Morning Psalm 19 & Mark 10:35-45	
Evening Psalm 22	
Sat 11 th Morning Psalm 23 & Mark 10:46-end	
Evening Psalm 24	

EVENTS & NOTICES

As part of **SAFFRON WALDEN'S GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK**, Edward Gildea will talk about 'Adventure, Activism and COP 26' in St Mary's Parish Rooms at 7.30pm on **Wednesday 22nd September.** Spiced with first-hand experiences of the effects of global warming on oceans and mountains, this illustrated session will explore the importance of COP26 in Glasgow this year for the future of humanity. Come and discuss your own thoughts and ideas about what we should each be doing about it.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Saturday 25th September at 3.00pm at St Mary's Church, SW. Concert of piano duets with Martin Huggett and myself. The concert will feature well known works by Saint-Saëns, Poulenc, Mozart, Mendelssohn and Tchaikovsky. Free entry with a collection in aid of church funds. There will be a short interval with refreshments. *Oli*

SERVICES IN CHURCH Whilst restrictions have been lifted, we want you to continue to feel safe so we are keeping some measures in place for everyone's benefit. We will request Track and Trace details when you arrive and we encourage you to wear a face covering whilst in the church building, particularly if singing. Hand sanitiser will be available and we will ensure that anyone wishing to maintain social distancing will be able to do so. Precise guidance may vary from Church to Church across the team. Please follow that where given.

ONLINE SERVICES St Mary's, SW will continue to stream one service each week on YouTube as at present. Debden, Wimbish and Wendens Ambo continue to offer Zoom services – details on the bulletin.

A WARM WELCOME TO YECHAN YUN, our organ scholar for this year. He will play the outgoing voluntary at the end of the service this Sunday at St Mary's, Saffron Walden, 'Hymne d'Action de Grâce: Te Deum - J.Langlais. *Oli King*

We are really excited to be resuming TINIES, TEAM JC AND AFTERSHOCK in person this term! Tinies will restart on Tuesday 5th October at 9.30am in St Mary's Church, SW. Are you passionate about giving children and young people the opportunity to know more about Jesus? Do you have a heart to pray for families? Are you someone that likes craft? Are you a fantastic tea maker or a good conversationalist? Do you enjoy playing games and having fun? We really need volunteers to join the teams that run each of these groups and if any of the above appeal, you could be just the person we are looking for! To find out more, please speak to Matt Williamson.

From **7**th **September**, **EVENING PRAYER** will be in the North chapel SW every first Tuesday of the month and on zoom for the rest of the month.

THE TRANSITION PROJECT With more jobs available locally than are presently being taken up, the Project will remain online for the time being and not reopen its doors on Tuesday 21st September. Initial contact continues by telephoning 07901 173763. *Anthony Armon-Jones*

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