

**THIS WEEK'S SERVICES  
AROUND THE TEAM**

**SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

**St Mary's Saffron Walden**

8.00am Holy Communion 1662  
10.00am Holy Communion (livestreamed)  
+ Team JC  
6.30pm H2H in the Parish Rooms

**St Botolph's Hadstock**

9.30am Sunday Worship

**All Saints Ashdon**

9.30am Holy Communion

**All Saints Wimbish**

9.30am Sunday Praise (livestreamed)

**St Mary's Wendens Ambo**

9.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)

**All Saints Great Chesterford**

11.00am Morning Prayer (livestreamed)

**St Mary's Little Chesterford**

9.30am Morning Prayer

**TUESDAY**

5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, SW

**WEDNESDAY**

9.30am Holy Communion, Saffron Walden Church

**THURSDAY**

1.00pm Healing Service, St Mary's Saffron Walden

Toddler Church, Great Chesterford and Tinies, Saffron Walden will return after the school Easter holidays.

**NEXT SUNDAY 10th APRIL**

**St Mary's Saffron Walden**

8.00am Holy Communion 1662  
10.00am Holy Communion with Passion Reading  
(livestreamed) + Team JC  
6.30pm Choral Evensong

**St James' Swards End**

9.30am Morning Praise

**St John's Little Walden**

11.15am Family Service

**All Saints Ashdon**

9.30am Holy Communion joint with Hadstock

**St Mary's Debden**

9.30am Family Service (livestreamed)

**St Mary's Wendens Ambo**

9.30am Family Service (livestreamed)

**All Saints Great Chesterford**

11.00am Holy Communion (livestreamed)

*Links for livestreamed services are available on  
the weekly bulletin.*

*Please contact the Parish Administrator  
to be added to the mailing list.*

SAFFRON WALDEN & VILLAGES TEAM MINISTRY

# The Grapevine

Welcome to our services today

**Fifth Sunday of Lent  
3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022**

**Collect**

Gracious Father,  
you gave up your Son  
out of love for the world:  
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,  
that we may know eternal peace  
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

**First Reading:** Isaiah 43 v 16-21

**Psalm:** 126

**Second Reading:** Philippians 3 v 4b-14

**Gospel:** John 12 v 1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

**Post Communion**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have taught us  
that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters  
we do also for you:  
give us the will to be the servant of others  
as you were the servant of all,  
and gave up your life and died for us,  
but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

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## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In April please pray for: St Mary's Church of England and St Mary's C of E Primary School

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Minnie Armstrong, John Sibson and Trevor Cranwell

Those whose banns are being read:

**Saffron Walden:** Jack Culpin & Alice Gathern, George Whiting and Claire Dexter, Christopher Andrew Williams & Amy Louise Clark

**Hadstock:** George Whiting & Claire Dexter, Charles Fidler & Bethany Brown

**Ashdon:** Kevin Ewin & Sarah Jefford

## EVENTS

**OASIS** Our next men's lunchtime get-together will be on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April from 12 noon** at the Old English Gentleman in Gold Street. All welcome. Please let me know by Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> if you intend to come. Bill Rose tel: 516609 email: [wjr2163@gmail.com](mailto:wjr2163@gmail.com)

**THE NEXT TIME OF SILENT PRAYER** will be on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April at 10am** in the Parish Rooms. Sitting in a socially distanced circle we start with a brief introduction leading into 20 minutes of silent prayer. All very welcome. Do contact me if you would like more information.  
*Judith Hasler*

**MOTHERS' UNION** meet for Holy Meditation at Berden Church at **2pm on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April**. This will be led by the Reverend Margaret Davis. Tea and hot cross buns to follow. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Brenda Sheath on 01799 513204 for lift arrangements etc.

**Maundy Thursday 8pm** communion St Mary's SW: 12 volunteers are required for the traditional **FOOT WASHING** - please sign up on the list at the back of church and bring your own towel.

**PASSOVER SEDER** Wendens Ambo Church will be holding a Passover Seder (including a meal), led by Rufus Barnes, at **7pm on Maundy Thursday (14<sup>th</sup> April)**. It will be held in the Village Hall and will cost £10 per head. There are a few tickets still available from Nell Hardingham. To book your place please contact Nell on 07884387001

**YOUTH ALPHA** is on **Saturdays at 7pm**, All Saints, Great Chesterford. All welcome

**WEEKEND AWAY 27-29 MAY 2022 for Saffron Walden and Team Villages Ministry** at Belsey Bridge near Bungay Suffolk. There is still time to book. Come for the day or the whole weekend and enjoy a time of friendship, learning together and fun for all the family. Ensuite rooms as well as non-ensuite rooms still available. Under 18s can come for free. Pick up a booking form or go to St Mary's website for more details. [www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/WA22](http://www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/WA22) Any questions about room availability contact Sarah Nicholas [s.nicholas180@gmail.com](mailto:s.nicholas180@gmail.com) 07415 632658

## NOTICES

TODAY

**MEMBERS OF THE PRAYER MINISTRY TEAM** in Saffron Walden are available at the 10am service to offer prayer for yourself or someone you care about

The Service of Thanksgiving for the late **Revd Canon John Sibson** will be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 1.00pm at St Mary's, Saffron Walden.

I am conducting a little **CHURCH MUSIC RESEARCH** and would like to know what your favourite hymns and worship songs are. I would be grateful if you might email me your top 3 (please no more than that!) hymns and/or worship songs? Email: [domstmaryssw@gmail.com](mailto:domstmaryssw@gmail.com)  
Deadline for responses: Sunday 10th April.  
Many thanks! *Oli King*

Now would be a very good time to join the **ELECTORAL ROLL** if you are not already enrolled. As well as a confirmation of your commitment to the church community, membership enables you to vote and stand for election at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. Notices are in each church in the team with information about how to enrol including when additions can be made or please contact the parish office for the name of your Electoral Roll officer. Applications for St Mary's, Saffron Walden and its daughter churches are also available from [www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/electoralroll](http://www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/electoralroll)

**QUINQUAQUIZ** A very big thank you to the Teams who took part in the Quiz to raise funds for the Bishop's Lent Appeal on March 26<sup>th</sup>. An enjoyable evening was had by all, and as a consequence £180 will be sent through to the Diocesan Office. Thank you *Chris Bishop* (Quiz Master)

The **TRANSITION PROJECT** aims to help those seeking to change jobs or find work. We are very pleased to report the receipt of a Ward Members Initiative Grant of £250 from Councillor Heather Asker. *Gerald Gardner*

**EASTER LILIES** Would those wishing to contribute towards the cost of Easter Lilies in memory of loved ones at St Mary's, Saffron Walden please give donations either to Welcomers or Wardens at services or the Parish Office. Cheques should be made payable to: St Mary's Church Fund Trust. Thank you. *Pam Russell*

**CALLING ALL GARDENERS** The Curate's garden in Saffron Walden needs a good tidy up. It would be lovely if Ella and Toby could move in with a tidy garden. Would you please contact me with days you would be available to help. *Gill Caswell*

**COPY** for the next edition of **PARISH NEWS** may be sent to the editor [andycolebrooke@gmail.com](mailto:andycolebrooke@gmail.com) by Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Please send items for the **GRAPEVINE** to Claire Dunn, [admin@stmaryssaffronwalden.org](mailto:admin@stmaryssaffronwalden.org) by 9.00am on Wednesday.