

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

SUNDAY 10th April

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.00am Holy Communion with Passion Reading
(livestreamed)
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)

Please see insert for Holy week services.

NEXT SUNDAY 17th APRIL

St Mary's Saffron Walden

6.00am Sunrise Holy Communion
8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.00am Family Eucharist (livestreamed)
6.30pm Choral Evensong

St James' Swards End

9.30am Holy Communion

St John's Little Walden

11.15am Holy Communion

St Botolph's Hadstock

9.30am Holy Communion

All Saints Ashdon

9.30am Holy Communion

St Mary's Debden

9.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)

All Saints Wimbish

9.30am Holy Communion

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)

Holy Trinity Littlebury

11.15am Holy Communion

St Peter's Littlebury Green

9.30am Holy Communion

All Saints Great Chesterford

11.00am Holy Communion (livestreamed)

St Mary's Little Chesterford

9.30am Holy Communion

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

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

The Grapevine

Welcome to our services today

**Palm Sunday
10th April 2022**

Collect

True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love you,
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.

First Reading: Isaiah 50 v 4-9a

Psalm: 31 v 9-16

Second Reading: Philippians 2 v 5-11

Gospel: Luke 19 v 28-40

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this, "The Lord needs it."' So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, 'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!' Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

Post Communion

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant,
and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation:
give us the mind to follow you
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father.

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: Trevor Cranwell and Keith Wardley

Those whose banns are being read:

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

Debden: George Magness & Catrina Thom,

Ashdon: Kevin Ewin & Sarah Jefford

EVENTS

MOTHERS' UNION meet for Holy Meditation at Berden Church at **2pm on Tuesday 12th 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 (14th 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

PROCESSION OF WITNESS in Saffron Walden **10.30am Good Friday** starts at the URC on Abbey Lane.

DEVOTIONAL OFFERING 7.30pm Good Friday, St Mary's, Saffron Walden. Mozart Requiem with St Mary's Church Choir and East Anglia Chamber Orchestra. Retiring collection in support of Ukraine Crisis.

ST GEORGE'S QUIZ NIGHT Saturday 23rd April at 7.30pm at Great Chesterford. Tickets priced at £12 to include a Fish or Chicken and Chip Supper. Licensed Bar for wine and beer. Tables of up to eight. Tickets available from Pam Maskell (530098) and Alison Tills (530837)

The Youth Alpha that has been meeting in Gt Chesterford is transforming into a fortnightly youth group called '**Young Saints**' using Youth for Christ materials starting on **30th April at 7pm**. The group has also completed a sponsored 'rough sleep' in the church in aid of the Red Cross for their work with Ukrainian refugees on 1st April. Over £500 has been raised so far. Please contact Caroline Jeewan (531153) for details about joining the group or if you wish to sponsor them.

FRIENDS OF ESSEX CHURCHES TRUST - Spring Study Day on **Wednesday 11th May**. Visiting the churches of Radwinter, Wimbish, Debden & Wendens Ambo with Julia Abel Smith. For more information contact Gail Jones gailjanejones@yahoo.co.uk 01245 420187.

Please send items for the **GRAPEVINE** to Claire Dunn, admin@stmaryssaffronwalden.org by 9.00am on Wednesday.

NOTICES

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 Any questions about room availability contact Sarah Nicholas s.nicholas180@gmail.com 07415 632658

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

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. **TODAY, 10th April**, is the last date for applications for Saffron Walden, Little Walden and Swards End Applications available from www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/electoralroll

ANNUAL MEETINGS 8th MAY Nomination forms are available from the Parish Office, and at www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/Groups/313342/Policies_and_PCC.aspx, to fill two casual vacancies on Deanery Synod for one year, five standard vacancies for members of the PCC for three years and one casual vacancy for two years. The formal requirements for nominees are printed on the forms, but if you wish to find out more of what being on these bodies involves please talk to me or Jeremy, the churchwardens or any of the existing members. I would be very grateful if completed nomination forms could be returned to me in person, via the parish office or sent as a signed and scanned copy via email by **24th April**. *Lisa Webber*

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