

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

SUNDAY 1st October**St Mary's Saffron Walden**

8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)
+ Team JC
6.30pm H2H

All Saints Wimbish

11.00am Harvest Festival

St James' Sewards End

10.30am Holy Communion

St Botolph's Hadstock

9.00am Holy Communion

Holy Trinity Littlebury

3.30pm Harvest Café Church

St Peter's Littlebury Green

10.30am Holy Communion

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.00am Morning Prayer

All Saints Great Chesterford

10.30am Holy Communion

St Mary's Little Chesterford

9.00am Morning Prayer

TUESDAY

8.30am Morning Prayer, Hadstock
9.30am Tinies, Saffron Walden
5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, SW

WEDNESDAY

8.00am Morning Prayer, Saffron Walden
9.30am Holy Communion, Saffron Walden
9.30am Building Blocks, Gt Chesterford
5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, Cam Villages

NEXT SUNDAY 8th OCTOBER

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.30am Second Sunday Communion (livestreamed)
+ Team JC
6.30pm Choral Evensong

St Mary's Debden

9.00am Holy Communion

St John's Little Walden

10.30am Family Service

All Saints Ashdon

9.00am Holy Communion

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

10.30am Cam Villages Together

The Grapevine

**Welcome to our services today
17th Sunday after Trinity
1st October 2023**

Collect

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading: Philippians 2 v 1-13

Psalm: 25 v 1-8

Second Reading: Ezekiel 18 v 1-4, 25 -32

Gospel: Matthew 21 v 23-32

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven," he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?" But if we say, "Of human origin," we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.'

Post Communion

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In October please pray for: Ashdon Baptist Church, All Saints, Ashdon, St Botolph's, Hadstock & Ashdon Primary School

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Lee Sharland, Hazel Hawkins, Janet Lawrence, Elizabeth Newbold, Arthur Purkiss

EVENTS

MINISTRY OF PRAYERS for wholeness and healing at St Mary's SW. This ministry will take place on the first Wednesday of each month during the **9.30am** communion service starting on **4th October**. This takes the place of the monthly Thursday healing service.

OASIS Our next Men's lunchtime get together at The Old English Gentleman in Gold Street will be on **Wednesday 4th October, from 12noon**. As ever all are welcome but if you are intending to come please confirm with me by Tuesday 3rd October. I look forward to seeing you there. Bill Rose. email: wjr2163@gmail.com tel: 01799 516609

THE NEXT TIME OF SILENT PRAYER will be on **Thursday 5th October at 10am** in the North Chapel of St Mary's, SW. 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*

DEATH BY CHOCOLATE at St Mary's SW Parish Room **5th October at 3pm**. There will be tea, chocolate cake and informal conversations about death and funerals. Pick up a flier or look at St Mary's website for more information.

HARVEST SUPPER at Swards End Village Hall on **Saturday 14th October 7.30pm**. Two course meal and entertainment from Canon Chris Bishop. Tickets £6(£3) available from Judith Hasler

CONCERT of Italian music from Monteverdi to Dalla at St John's Church, Little Walden on **Saturday 14th October at 7.30pm** with refreshments. Free admission-donations in aid of Médecins sans Frontières and the Woodland Trust.

Please send items for the Grapevine to Claire Dunn at admin@stmaryssaffronwalden.org by 9.00am on Wednesday.

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TODAY

H2H

6.30pm in the Parish Rooms, SW
A service for everybody led by the young people,
Emma & Alex
Theme-Noah and the Dove

NOTICES

Alex's Farewell

Alex's Five Churches

invite you to
THE CHESTERFORDS COMMUNITY CENTRE
on
Saturday 7th October 2023
6 pm - 8 pm
Please note change of venue

Please rsvp to Pam & Dave Maskell if you would like to attend. Tel 530098
pamanddavemaskell@gmail.com

Alex's final Saffron Walden Team Service will be a Cam Villages together service on **Sunday 8th October at 10.30am** at St Mary's, Wendens Ambo.

Alex's Licensing service

Alex will be licensed by **Bishop Dagmar of Ely diocese** as he becomes **Priest in Charge of All Saints Church, Milton, Cambridge** which will be held at All Saints Church, Milton on **Thursday 26th October at 7pm**. You would be very welcome to attend and it would be great to show Alex your support.

THANK YOU to everyone for your good wishes and gifts sending us off to our new parishes, especially to Debden and Wimbish. Hope to see many of you at my licensing **Tuesday 10th October at 7.30pm** Tendring Church, CO16 0BN. Love and prayers, John and Dawn.

STAMP SALE IN AID OF ST MARY'S BUILDING AND MUSIC FUNDS The next Stamp Sale will take place on **Saturday 14th October from 10am-3pm**. At the Saffron Community Link, next to Saffron Building Society in Market Street. Thousands of stamps on sale, individually priced.

A date for your diary: **Saturday 9th December, QUIET MORNING** in St Mary's Parish Rooms. Led by Rev'd Ella Harris. Watch out for details later in the year.
The Prayer Team, hazel.colebrooke@gmail.com

THE OCTOBER EDITION OF PARISH NEWS is available from the back of St Mary's church, SW, and can also be seen on the website at www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/parishnews
COPY for the next edition of **PARISH NEWS** may be sent to the editor andycolebrooke@gmail.com by **Sunday 1st October**.

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