

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

SUNDAY 29th October

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.30am Team Holy Communion Service
(livestreamed)
4.00pm Celtic Service

Holy Trinity Littlebury

12noon Baptism
4.00pm All Souls service

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

4.00pm All Souls service

All Saints Great Chesterford

6.30pm All Souls service

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 with prayers for wholeness
and healing, Saffron Walden
9.30am Building Blocks, Gt Chesterford
5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, Cam Villages

NEXT SUNDAY 5th NOVEMBER

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.30am Holy Communion Service + Team JC
(livestreamed)
4.00pm All Souls service

All Saints Wimbish

3.00pm All Souls service

St James' Swards End

10.30am Holy Communion

St Botolph's Hadstock

9.00am Holy Communion incorporating All Souls

Holy Trinity Littlebury

9.00am 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 Patronal Service

St Mary's Little Chesterford

9.00am Morning Prayer

The Grapevine

**Welcome to our services today
Last Sunday after Trinity
29th October 2023**

Collect

Merciful God,
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,
that trusting in your word
and obeying your will
we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ
our Lord.

First Reading: Nehemiah 8 v 1-4a, 8-12

Psalms: 119 v9-16

Second Reading: Colossians 3 v 12-17

Gospel: Matthew 24 v 30-35

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see "the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven" with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. 'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.'

Post Communion

God of all grace,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

*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: Keith Huddleston, Lindsey Collecott, Jonathan Richards

Those who are being baptised:
Littlebury: Uma Agius

EVENTS

CHURCH MICE parent and toddler group will be meeting in the New Room, Debden Church, Church Lane, CB11 3LD on **Monday 30th October from 1.45pm – 3.00pm**. All parents, carers and preschoolers are welcome for a social session with a mixture of activities: toys, crafts, songs and refreshments.

OASIS Our next Men's lunchtime get together at The Old English Gentleman in Gold Street will be on **Wednesday 1st November, from 12 noon**. As always all are welcome but if you are planning to come please confirm with me by Tuesday, 31st 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 2nd November 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*

The FAIRTRADE STALL at St Mary's, SW will be available after the 10.30am service on **Sunday 5th November**.

ALL SAINTS ASHDON PATRONAL FESTIVAL LUNCH in aid of Angel Tree will be on **5th November 12:00 for 12:30pm** in the Church Rooms Ashdon. All Saints, Ashdon are supporting the work of Prison Fellowship Angel Tree. Prison Fellowship is a Christian charity which works with prisoners. Angel Tree helps to keep families in touch by sending Christmas presents to the children of Prisoners. Please contact Sarah (s.nicholas180@gmail.com / 07415 632 658) if you would like to make a donation.

There **won't** be an **H2H Service** on **November 5th** because the young people have been invited to an event by the Faraday Institute for Science and Religion at the URC.

A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND THANKSGIVING will be held at St Mary's SW on **Sunday 5th November at 4pm** and streamed on YouTube. This will be a reflective service to remember those who have died in recent previous years. If you would like the name of a loved one read out during the service, please contact the Parish Office by 2nd November.

WIMBISH CHURCH BAZAAR is on **Saturday November 25th 11.30am -2.00pm** at Wimbish Village Hall. Light refreshments, stalls and 'chat'. Everyone is most welcome.

NOTICES

St Mary's Saffron Walden **CHRISTMAS FAIR** on **Saturday 25th November 10 am -1pm**
The Fair is fast approaching and it is time to kindly request your help and support. This event is a major part of our welcome to the town visitors, fellowship amongst the congregation and of course, fund raising. There is a sign up form at the back of church for offers of help. There are also the usual stalls which specifically need contributions. **Jewellery, Tombola, Plants, Cake stall, Refreshments cakes, Books, Children's toys and soft toy tombola, and the preloved/upcycling collective!**
The Grand Draw also needs some extra items (wine, chocolates, gifts etc)

As last year, we would be grateful for the loan of Christmas Trees and decorations. We will look after them very carefully. *Sue Birchall*

CHRISTMAS FAIR at St Mary's, SW. We are taking orders for fresh Christmas Door wreaths at £25 each. Please contact Jane Knight Tel.500502 / Pam Russell Tel 524638
Best wishes, *Pam*

IMPORTANT CHANGES FOR JIMMY'S With immediate effect. St Mary's, SW. We are no longer going to deliver goods directly to Jimmy's. We WILL continue to collect and donate monetary gifts. (see notice board at the back of church) *Kathleen Huey*

SAMARITAN PURSE SHOE BOXES If anyone is preparing toys, stationery, toiletries etc. for a Toy Box to be sent to an under privileged child this Christmas and needs a box and a collection point, please be in touch with the Church Office for Henham, Elsenham and Ugley which is in Elsenham. Office hours 9am-1pm Monday to Friday. Telephone: 01279 814285
Email: anna.hicks@heuchurch.co.uk

Directions: The Church Office is on the opposite side of the road from Elsenham Primary School, a little closer to the shops, set back from the road with 2 car parking spaces in front of it. Postcode CM22 6DD.

BLUE TESCO TOKENS Please be aware that St Mary's Primary school in Saffron Walden is one of the recipients of the tokens at the moment.

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

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