

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

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.30am Holy Communion with Passion Reading
(livestreamed)
6.30pm Devotional Offering— 'The Crucifixion'
John Stainer

St Mary's Debden joint with Wimbish

9.00am Passion Reading

St John's Little Walden

10.30am Family Service

All Saints Ashdon

9.00am Sunday Worship

Holy Trinity Littlebury

10.30am Cam Villages together

**Please see separate insert for
weekday services for Holy Week.**

NEXT SUNDAY 20th April - EASTER DAY

**Please see separate insert for
EASTER DAY SERVICES**

LEADING INTERCESSIONS

Are you already writing and leading intercessions, but would like a 'refresher' session? Or are you someone who feels called to do this but feel unsure where to start? If the answer is 'yes' then why not join me in a short and gentle session covering the basics in Debden Church, New Rooms. The new date for this is **Saturday 12th July from 10.00am to 12noon.**

Refreshments available.

To book please contact Revd Lynda Sebbage:
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Open to people from all churches in the Deanery.

**Links for livestreamed services are available on
the website and in the weekly bulletin.
Please contact the Team Administrator
to be added to the mailing list.**

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

The Grapevine

**Welcome to our services today
Palm Sunday
13th April 2025**

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: Philippians 2 v 5-11

Psalm: 31 v 9-16

Second Reading: Isaiah 40 v 4-9a

Palm Gospel: Luke 19 v 29-40

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.

MINISTRY TEAM

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In April please pray for St Mary's, SW and St Mary's C of E Primary School

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Cherry Fisher, Jennifer Williams, Ray Hammond

Those whose banns are being read

Saffron Walden: Joseph Hall & Emily Simou, Jordan Foster & Jodie Willson, Marlon Geen & Georgie Goddard

St Mary's, SW is looking for a **Children and Families Worker**

to lead our ministry with 0-11 year-olds and their families in church and school-based activities.

15 hours per week. Salary dependent on qualifications and experience

Full details & application form on the church website.

Closing date 28th April

EVENTS

WIMBISH COFFEE MORNING at St Paul's Mission Hall, next to Wimbish School, CB10 2XE. **Saturday 12th April from 10am -11.30am.** Delicious cakes, jams & produce.

Palm Sunday **DEVOTIONAL OFFERING, The Crucifixion by John Stainer** on **Sunday 13th April at 6.30pm** at St Mary's, SW. The work will be performed by St Mary's Church Choir and soloists Robert Folkes and Tom Butler. Admission is free with a retiring collection. All are most welcome.

WENDENS AMBO COFFEE MORNING in the church on **Wednesday 16th April from 10.30am to noon.** Everyone welcome.

EASTER EVENTS IN LITTLE WALDEN

18th April (Good Friday), St John's will be selling homemade Hot Cross Buns on the green in Little Walden from 9am until they are gone!

19th April (Saturday) Easter Eggs Hunt around the village

Great and Little Chesterford are having a **TAPAS EVENING** in All Saints' Church on **Saturday 26th April at 7pm.** Come and enjoy an evening of Spanish food and drink in good company. Tickets are £15 for adults, £5 for children up to 12 yrs with under 5 yrs free. Tickets available from Dave and Pam Maskell and Alison Tills. There will be a licensed bar with wine and Spanish beers and plenty of Sangria.

WHAT IS A CHURCH? an evening with Denis Dunstone. **Thursday 1st May at 6pm** at St Mary's, Wendens Ambo. Tickets £15 to include a glass of wine from <https://bit.ly/DDchurch> In aid of Wendens Ambo church project.

LITTLEBURY PLANT SALE on **Sunday 11th May at 2pm** at the Church

NOTICES

OUR LIGHTING PROJECT - New Matched

Funding. We have been informed that an anonymous donor will match £ for £ all donations, sponsorship for the cycle ride across Wales and all successful grant applications up to a value of £20,000 from now until September. If you have yet to make a donation and would like to, now is the time to do so! Sponsorship for my cycle ride will be matched too and you can sign up at the back of St Mary's SW. Details how to donate electronically can be at www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/lighting - please use the reference "Lighting" if sponsoring me or donating this way. *Steve Hasler*

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

CALLING ALL BARISTAS! Many of us enjoy a cup of coffee and a chat after the 10.30am service at St Mary's, SW. However, we badly need a few more volunteers to help make and serve the coffee and tea. The equipment is very easy to use, and serving is a lovely opportunity to talk to everyone as they pass through. If you feel you could help out, perhaps twice every 3 months, on days to suit you, please talk to Kathryn Bennett or Andrew Robinson – we would be very grateful.

ELECTORAL ROLL: Thank you to everyone who has completed an application form for the new Electoral Roll. There are still forms at the back of church for St Mary's, SW & it's daughter churches or they may be downloaded from the church website. If you wish to continue to receive information on other church matters, please also complete and return the Consent Form to the Parish Office together with your Electoral Roll application.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting Dates

Ashdon, 10.15am	Sunday 13 th April
Debden, 10.00am	Sunday 27 th April
Wimbish (St Paul's Mission Hall), 7.30pm	Monday 28 th April
Saffron Walden, 11.45am	Sunday 11 th May
Wendens Ambo, 7.15pm	Monday 12 th May

CARBON FAST This final week the challenge is to eat lower down the food chain by reducing meat and dairy and eating more pulses, fruit and vegetables. The average person in the UK has a footprint of 2.5 tonnes each year from food, but this drops to around 1.5 tonnes for a vegetarian and 1 tonne for a vegan. A huge difference! Also try to use leftovers and minimise the amount of food you throw away!

Edward Gildea