

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

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662 (livestreamed)
10.30am Family service
6.30pm Taizé style service

St Mary's Debden

9.00am Family Service

St John's Little Walden

10.30am Holy Communion

All Saints Ashdon

9.00am Sunday Worship

St Peter's Littlebury Green

9.00am Holy Communion

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.00am Morning Prayer

All Saints Great Chesterford

10.30am Holy Communion

St Mary's Little Chesterford

7.00pm Compline

TUESDAY

8.30am Morning Prayer, Hadstock
5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, SW

WEDNESDAY

8.00am Morning Prayer, SW
9.30am Holy Communion, SW
5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, Cam Villages

NEXT SUNDAY 3rd August

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)
12.15pm Baptism Service

All Saints Wimbish

9.30am Sunday Praise

St James' Searoad End

10.30am Holy Communion

St Botolph's Hadstock

9.00am Holy Communion

St Peter's Littlebury Green

9.30am Sunday Worship

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.00am Holy Communion

All Saints Great Chesterford

10.30am Holy Communion

St Mary's Little Chesterford

9.30am Morning Praise

**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
27th July 2025
6th Sunday after Trinity**

Collect

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading: Colossians 2 v 6-15

Psalm: 138

Second Reading: Genesis 18v 20-32

Gospel: Luke 11 v1-13

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.' And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In July please pray for Saffron Walden Salvation Army Corp and Katherine Semar Schools

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Brenda Schooling, Ruth Jones

Those who are getting married:

Saffron Walden: Ben Richards & Jessica Bliss

EVENTS

INSTALLATION OF THE REPLACEMENT LIGHTING at St Mary's SW starts on **Monday 4th August** and will continue until mid March. From w/c 4th August, until further notice, the following will be held in the Parish Rooms - **Wednesday 8am Morning Prayer & 9.30am Holy Communion, Tinies and Silent Prayer**. All weekend events and services, weddings and their rehearsals, funerals and the MU service on Thursday 11th September will continue to be held in the church. Updates on progress will be in The Grapevine, Parish News, and on display at the back of church from late July, or feel free to ask! **Steve Hasler 07850 546251**

MESSY PLAY on **Tuesday 5th August 10am – 12noon** in the Parish Rooms, SW. For ages 0-11years. All children to be accompanied by a parent or carer.

Everyone is welcome to join us at a **PICNIC FUNDAY** at All Saints Church Wimbish, CB10 2XG from **12 noon-3pm** on **Monday 11th August**. Bring your own food & picnic blankets. There will be drinks, games, storytelling & bug hunting. Fun eco activities for all ages exploring our lovely grounds.

SAFFRON WALDEN BIBLE FOCUS at URC, Abbey Lane is on **Saturday 20th September**. The speaker is Alasdair Paine. For more information and booking email swbiblefocus@gmail.com **Paul Martin**

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NOTICES

CHILDREN AND YOUTH WORKER

We are excited to announce that Julie Lester has been appointed to this joint role. Julie is known to us through her leadership in the Guiding movement and as a member of All Saints, Ashdon. Please pray for Julie as she grows into these roles, and for others working with our children and young people.

Jeremy

I am delighted to share that my recent **MOTORBIKE CHALLENGE** in support of Debden's Eco Church initiative raised over £1,000—an incredible outcome made possible by your generosity and encouragement. I'm especially grateful to Gary Jones, who rode the bike across 12 churches in our team—with me, a novice pillion rider, on the back (!) —covering a 50-mile route. Heartfelt thanks to each of you who kindly contributed to the cause.

Revd Lynda

ST MARY'S MUSIC ASSOCIATION offers up to £250 to support the musical training and education of a young musician in St. Mary's, SW parish in full time education. It can be used for music lessons, training courses, sheet music or towards the purchase of a musical instrument or accessories. Preference is given to applicants who use their skills in music-making at St. Mary's. Applications must be received by **31st July 2025** and the bursary runs from September to August. For further details, conditions and/or application form, please contact the SMMA Chairman, Hannah Razzell Email: music@stmaryssaffronwalden.org

SCHOOL LEAVERS BIBLES How wonderful to be able to give a Youth Bible to each of the 30 year 6 pupils leaving **St Mary's School, SW** at the end of term. If you would like to make a contribution for these Bibles (The Bibles cost £12.65 each) please put your donation in an envelope marked 'SCHOOL BIBLES' and leave it in the Parish Office.

Thank you. *Anthea Slater*

Please see the '**LATEST NEWS**' on the website for St Mary's, SW for Paula Griffiths giving evidence to the House of Commons Select Committee regarding church buildings and for photos of the new bell

St Mary's, SW. We now support **SAFFRON WALDEN FOOD BANK** instead of Jimmy's Shelter in Cambridge. Thank you everyone for your support for Jimmy's in the past. Should you wish to continue to make financial donations to Jimmy's you can do this directly at www.jimmyscambridge.org.uk

THE AUGUST/SEPTEMBER EDITION OF PARISH NEWS is available at the back of St Mary's church, SW, and online www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/parishnews **COPY** for the next edition of **PARISH NEWS** may be sent to the editor, John Pickthorn, jejpickthorn@gmail.com by **Sunday 7th September**.

GARDENING HELP for St Mary's, SW. The weeds around the base of the church building need removing. If you can help with this, please speak to Vivian.

CAR PARKING at St Mary's, SW. Please make sure that your car is not blocking any of the exits to the church to allow for evacuation in case of emergency.