THIS WEEK'S SERVICES AROUND THE TEAM

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662 10.25am Sunday Club (Parish Rooms) 10.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)

All Saints Wimbish

10.30am Holy Communion

St James' Sewards End 10.30am Holy Communion

St Botolph's Hadstock

9.00am Sunday Worship

Holy Trinity Littlebury

10.30am Holy Communion

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.00am Holy Communion

All Saints Great Chesterford

9.00am iChurch

St Mary's Little Chesterford 10.30am Holy Communion

TUESDAY

8.30am Morning Prayer, Hadstock 10.00am Tinies, SW (Parish Rooms) 5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, SW

WEDNESDAY

8.00am Morning Prayer, SW (Parish Rooms) 9.30am Holy Communion, SW (Parish Rooms)

9.30am Building Blocks, Gt Chesterford

5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, Cam Villages

NEXT SUNDAY 26th October

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662 (livestreamed)

10.30am Family Service 12.15pm Baptism

4.00pm 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 Harvest Service

St Mary's Little Chesterford

7.00pm Compline

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

Links for livestreamed services are available on the weekly bulletin. Please contact the Parish Administrator to be added to the mailing list. SAFFRON WALDEN & VILLAGES TEAM MINISTRY

The Grapevine

Welcome to our services today 19th October 2025 18th Sunday after Trinity

Collect

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading: 2 Timothy 3 v 14 - 4 v 5

Psalm: 121

Second Reading: Genesis 32 v 22-31

Gospel: Luke 18 v 1-8

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

Post Communion

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast:

for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

MINISTRY TEAM

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

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

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Eileen Graves, John Gardner, Jo Squibb, Joan Towers, John Reid, Jack Golding Albie Balsar

EVENTS

FAIRTRADE STALL on **Sunday 26**th **October** before and after the family service at St Mary's, SW. Cash only.

HARVEST SERVICE

Sunday 26th October 10.30am All Saints, Gt Chesterford

Open the Book

All Saints Ashdon, 9am

The service on **Sunday 26th October** will include a dramatised presentation from the Open the Book team from the Icknield Way Parishes team. Open the Book can train local teams to dramatise the Bible in schools. Everyone is welcome.

All Saints, Ashdon have a service of Communion to celebrate **All Saints Day** at **11am on Sunday 2nd November**, followed by lunch of homemade soups, bread and cheese. Everyone is really welcome.

ALL SOULS SERVICE, St Mary's, SW On Sunday 2nd November at 4pm. There will be a special service for all those who have been bereaved. If you would like one or more names of your loved ones to be read out during the service please contact the parish office with their details no later than 27th October. 01799 506024

BARDFIELD ARTISTS' GUIDED TOUR – please note that the tour on 21st November is now full, but we are pleased to offer another date for the same visit, on

28th **November**. Again, numbers are limited, so please book early to avoid disappointment. Contact Rev'd Lynda for details and/or to make a booking: debden.wimbishvicar@gmail.com or 01799 796193.

NOTICES

This term at **AFTERSHOCK**

Aftershock, our group for young people aged 11 to 18, has a full fun programme planned for this term. We are playing games, studying the Gospels and enjoying edible treats. Come along and find us in the Parish Rooms from **7pm to 8.30pm on Sundays**. Please see the Aftershock page on the St Mary's, SW website for the term's plan. All young people welcome.

SUNDAY CLUB - St Mary's, SW
We run a club for Primary aged Children that runs alongside the 10.30am Sunday
Communion service, children can be dropped off from 10.25am. The children hear a Bible story, do a craft and enjoy time together, then join the rest of the congregation prior to communion so that the children can go for a blessing with their parents. The 4th Sunday of the month is family service at 10.30am in the church, so Sunday club does not run as all the activities are in the church.

NEW HOMEGROUP The first meeting of the new Home Group went really well. New members are still welcome. Speak to Vivian or Gill for more details. Please note that we won't be meeting on Monday 20th October. The next date will be **3rd November**.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Many of you will know about this initiative to give a shoebox containing small Christmas gifts to a child who might not otherwise receive anything, principally those living in a war zone or extreme poverty. If you would like to take part this year, we ask you please to do so online, by searching for "Operation Christmas Child". For a donation, a suitable box will be made up for you. If you need any help with this, please speak to Vivian or the Parish Office.

PARKING Please be conscious of other events that may be taking place when parking on church business at St Mary's, SW. This week a car parked by the west door hindered a hearse.