

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES AROUND THE TEAM

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

TUESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

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

SATURDAY

4.30pm All Souls service, Wendens Ambo

NEXT SUNDAY 2nd November

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.25am Sunday Club (Parish Rooms)
10.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)
12.15pm Baptism
4.00pm All Souls Service (livestreamed)

All Saints Wimbish

9.30am Village Worship
3.00pm All Souls Service

St James' Sewards End

10.30am Holy Communion

St Botolph's Hadstock

9.00am Holy Communion

All Saints Ashdon

11.00am Patronal Service

St Peter's Littlebury Green

9.30am Sunday Worship

Holy Trinity Littlebury

10.30am Café Church
4.00pm All Souls Service

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.00am Sung Mattins

All Saints Great Chesterford

10.30am Patronal Service
6.30pm All Souls Service

St Mary's Little Chesterford

9.30am Morning Praise

The Grapevine

Welcome to our services today
26th October 2025
Bible Sunday

Collect

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our
learning: help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy
word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the
hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in
our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with
you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
for ever.

First Reading: Isaiah 45 v 22-25

Psalm: 119 v 129-136

Second Reading: Romans 15 v1-6

Gospel: Luke 4 v 16-24

Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been brought
up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the
synagogue, as was his custom. And he stood up to
read. The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to
him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:
"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has
anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has
sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and
recovery of sight for the blind, to release the
oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour."
Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the
attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the
synagogue were fastened on him, and he began by
saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your
hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at
the gracious words that came from his lips. "Isn't this
Joseph's son?" they asked. Jesus said to them,
"Surely you will quote this proverb to me: 'Physician,
heal yourself! Do here in your home town what we
have heard that you did in Capernaum.'" "I tell you the
truth," he continued, "no prophet is accepted in his
home town."

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.

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

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, Albie Balsar
Those who are being baptised:
Saffron Walden: Lewis Smart

EVENTS

ALL SOULS SERVICE, St Mary's, Wendens Ambo Saturday 1st November 4.30pm

PATRONAL FESTIVAL and Gift Day on Sunday 2nd November at 10.30am at All Saints' Gt Chesterford
Also we will have our **ALL SOULS SERVICE** in the evening at **6.30pm**. Should anyone wish to have a loved one remembered during the service, would they please add their name to the list at the back of the church before midday on the 2nd November.

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

READINGS & MUSIC FOR REMEMBRANCE, St Mary's, SW on Sunday 9th November, 4pm, followed by a short service of Compline. All are welcome to attend.

Great and Little Chesterford are holding their **CHRISTMAS FAIR** on **29th November** in All Saints' Great Chesterford starting at **12pm**. The Grand Draw will take place at the end of the afternoon, Father Christmas will be making a visit out of his busy schedule, there will be stalls selling all kinds of festive fare, tombolas, teas, cakes and lunches and much more.

MINISTRY TEAM

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TODAY

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.

NOTICES

ST MARY'S, SW CHRISTMAS FAIR Saturday 29th November from 10am to 1pm.

As usual, we are relying on your generosity and help with support for various stalls.

Cakes: As many as possible to sell and be part of the refreshments area. Christmas Food ideas; sweets, chutney etc. Preloved/ Upcycling: In as good a condition as possible please. Books, Plants, Flowers, Holly, Gifts for the Grand Draw, children's toys and games, and anything else you might like to donate to this worthwhile event. We will be having the usual "sign up" sheet at the back of the church for any help not already offered. Very many thanks to all of you who have already contacted me.

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BIG BREAKFAST in aid of ShelterBox Charity Saffron Walden Rotary will be running on **Friday 31st October** from **6.30am until 2pm** at Hadstock Village Hall next to St Botolph Church. We ask for a suggested minimum donation of £10 in aid of ShelterBox the international first response human aid charity. Join us for a full English breakfast plus toast & marmalade, tea or coffee. Ideal for walking groups, friends coming together or a break from work to meet in welcoming surroundings with ample car parking space. at CB21 4PH. For any information please contact Tim Boyden on 07776 230161. We look forward to seeing you.

The funeral for the late Joan Towers will be on **Thursday 30th October at 3pm** at St Mary's, SW

A service of thanksgiving for the late Jack Golding will be held at St Mary's, Saffron Walden on **Saturday 8th November at 11am**. All welcome

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. The next date will be **3rd November**.

THE NOVEMBER 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, jeppickthorn@gmail.com by **Sunday 2nd November**.