

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

**SUNDAY - 29<sup>th</sup> March, Palm Sunday**

**St Mary's Saffron Walden**

8.00am Holy Communion 1662  
10.25am Sunday Club (in church)  
10.30am Holy Communion with Passion Reading  
(livestreamed)  
6.30pm Devotional Offering

**St Mary's Debden joint with All Saints Wimbish**

9.00am Palm Sunday service with Passion Reading

**All Saints Ashdon**

9.00am Holy Communion

**St Botolph's Hadstock**

10.30am Holy Communion

**St Mary's Wendens Ambo**

9.00am Family Communion celebration of Palm  
Sunday and the Annunciation

**Holy Trinity Littlebury**

10.30am Holy Communion

**All Saints Great Chesterford**

10.30am Family Communion

**St Mary's Little Chesterford**

7.00pm Compline

**WEEKDAY SERVICES**—please see separate insert.

**NEXT SUNDAY 5th April, Easter Day**

**St Mary's Saffron Walden**

6.00am Dawn Communion  
8.00am Holy Communion 1662  
10.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)  
6.30pm Choral Evensong

**St Mary's Debden**

9.00am Holy Communion

**All Saints Wimbish**

10.30am Holy Communion

**St James' Sewards End**

10.30am Holy Communion

**St John's Little Walden**

10.30am Holy Communion

**All Saints Ashdon**

10.30am Holy Communion

**St Botolph's Hadstock**

9.00am Holy Communion

**St Mary's Wendens Ambo**

9.00am Holy Communion

**Holy Trinity Littlebury**

10.30am Holy Communion

**All Saints Great Chesterford**

10.30am Holy Communion

**St Mary's Little Chesterford**

10.30am Holy Communion

*Links for livestreamed services are available on  
the weekly bulletin.*

*Please contact the Parish 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  
29 March  
Palm Sunday**

## 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:** Isaiah 50 v 4-9a

**Psalm:** 31 v 9-16

**Second Reading:** Philippians 2 v 5-11

**Palm Gospel:** Matthew 21 v 1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, 'Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.' The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

## 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.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In March please pray for Abbey Lane United Reformed Church, incorporating the Methodist Church, the Community Church and Dame Bradbury's School

**The family and friends of those who have died recently:** Josephine Ware, June Swan, Mildred 'Bett' Starr

**Those whose banns are being read:**

**Saffron Walden:** Frederick Ball & Alanna Moss, Nicholas Goodwin & Harriet Smales

**Ashdon:** Dominic Burchall & Charlotte Horrigan, Jack Vestey & Isabella Pardoe

**Great Chesterford:** Robert Chaplin & Rebecca Grey

## EVENTS

**SERVICES from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March to Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April are on a separate insert.**

**Oasis** Our next Men's lunchtime get together at the Old English Gentleman in Gold Street will be on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April, from 12 noon**. As always, all are welcome but if you are intending to join us please confirm with me by 6pm on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March and I will look forward to seeing you there. *Bill Rose* email: wjr2163@gmail.com. tel: 01799 516609

There will be **no Silent Prayer on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April** as there will be Maundy Thursday communion services taking place at 9.30am and 7.30pm that day.

**AGAPE SUPPER** at St Paul's Mission Hall, Wimbish on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 7.30pm**. Please book with Pete Gray graypeter936@gmail.com or call 07901 946440

**EASTER THEMED WORKSHOP** in the Parish Rooms, SW on **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April from 10am – 11.30am** for primary aged children and their parents. For more information look at the Children and Youth page on the church website or email stmaryschildrenandyouth@gmail.com

**BELLRINGING** A mini-ring of bells is visiting St Mary's, SW on **Easter Monday**. There will be an opportunity for all ages to 'have a go' from **10am – 1pm and 2.30pm – 3.30pm**. The mini ring will be outside the church, so no stair climbing required!

**QUIZ NIGHT** with fish & chips (alternatives available) on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm** in the Village Hall, Debden. £15 a ticket, paid bar will be open. Please email Alison Hare for more details or to book your place. alison.hare@gmail.com

**STAMP SALE IN AID OF ST MARY'S BUILDING AND MUSIC FUNDS** The next Stamp Sale will take place on **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April from 10am until 3pm**. At the Saffron Community Link (next to Saffron Building Society in Market Street). Thousands of stamps on sale, individually priced.

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm** at Holy Trinity Littlebury, **PLANT SALE** in aid of church funds. Free entry and refreshments.

## TODAY

### DEVOTIONAL OFFERING

6.30pm

at St Mary's, SW.

The choir will be singing Mozart's Ave Verum Corpus, followed by the Requiem. All welcome

## NOTICES

**FLOWERS FOR ST MARY'S, SW.** Are you interested in flowers? If so would you like to "Have a go"? Well you now can. Jane & Marion of St Mary's flower arranging team, invite you to join team for some arranging sessions in the church on **May 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10am – 11.15am**. Please contact Jane 01799 500502 as numbers are limited.

**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*

**DEANERY SYNOD** This year, at our Annual Meetings, we have the opportunity to elect representatives to the Deanery Synod. The Synod meets four times a year; one time for worship and three times for business meetings. It acts as an important link between Parishes and the Bishop and considers items of interest to both. If you would like to know more please talk to Jeremy.

**ST MARY'S SCHOOL** is looking for a new foundation governor. There is a poster with more details in the west porch of St Mary's, SW or speak with Jeremy.

**THE APRIL EDITION OF PARISH NEWS** is available at the back of St Mary's church, SW, and online [www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/parishnews](http://www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org/parishnews)

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