

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

SUNDAY - 12th April

St Mary's Saffron Walden

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

All Saints Ashdon

9.00am Sunday Worship

Holy Trinity Littlebury

10.30am Cam Churches Together service

TUESDAY

8.30am Morning Prayer, Hadstock
9.30am Tinies, SW - now back in the church
5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, SW

WEDNESDAY

8.00am Morning Prayer, Saffron Walden
9.30am Building Blocks, Gt Chesterford
9.30am Holy Communion, Saffron Walden

NEXT SUNDAY 19th April

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' Swards End

10.30am Morning Praise

St Botolph's Hadstock

9.00am Sunday Worship

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.00am Sung Matins

Holy Trinity Littlebury

10.30am Holy Communion

All Saints Great Chesterford

9.00am iChurch

St Mary's Little Chesterford

10.30am Holy Communion

The Grapevine

**Welcome to our services today
12th April
2nd Sunday of Easter**

Collect

Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good of others
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father.

First Reading: Acts 2 v 14a, 22-32

Psalm: 16

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1 v 3-9

Gospel: John 20 v 19-31

When it was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Post Communion

Lord God our Father,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ
you have assured your children of eternal life
and in baptism have made us one with him:
deliver us from the death of sin
and raise us to new life in your love,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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.

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: Josephine Ware, June Swan, Mildred 'Betty' Starr

Those whose banns are being read:

Saffron Walden: Simon Phiri & Rebecca Howard
Ashdon: Dominic Burchall & Charlotte Horrigan, Jack Vestey & Isabella Pardoe, Harry Tyler & Stefania Boughey

EVENTS

TINIES is moving back into St Mary's church on Tuesday 14th April

Tinies is a special session for babies and pre-school age children with parents and carers, with toys, crafts, snacks, and a short service with a Bible story, songs and prayers. Held during term time on a Tuesday morning in the church. Come along from 9.30am for your children to play, then from 10am until 11am, there will also be tea or coffee available for yourself, and toast for the children. An art or craft activity will also be available then. The session finishes at 11.30am after a short joyful service.

POP UP COFFEE on Tuesday 14th April from 10am-11.30am in Littlebury Church. Pop in or stay a while. Everyone welcome

QUIZ NIGHT with fish & chips (alternatives available) on Friday 17th 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@ymail.com

STAMP SALE IN AID OF ST MARY'S BUILDING AND MUSIC FUNDS The next Stamp Sale will take place on **Saturday 18th 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 26th April at 2pm at Holy Trinity Littlebury, **PLANT SALE** in aid of church funds. Free entry and refreshments.

100 Days of Prayer

All churches in the Diocese of Chelmsford are encouraged to share in 100 Days of Prayer.

Flyers to guide our prayers will be available each Sunday for the week ahead at St Mary's, SW, on the Bulletin & in news section of the St Mary's, SW website
Jeremy

Please take the flyers home for use during the week.

If you would like to be added to the mailing list for the Bulletin, please contact Claire Dunn

TODAY

CAM CHURCHES TOGETHER SERVICE
at Holy Trinity, Littlebury
at 10.30am.
All welcome.

NOTICES

ST MARY'S, SW Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place on **Sunday 19th April after 10.30am service.** Nomination forms available in the west porch.

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.

PROPOSED SCULPTURE It is proposed to install in the churchyard a **sculpture commemorating the events of 1647** which took place in St Mary's, SW and which mark the first stage of debates on democracy in England, 6 months before the more famous Putney debates. Come and find out more, ask your questions and have your say on the proposal at one of the consultation sessions, all of which will take place in St Mary's, SW. These are at **11am on Wednesday 15th April**, and **7.30pm on both Thursday 16th April and Tuesday 21st April.**

EASTER LILIES Once again heartfelt thanks are offered to those who so generously make donations for the Easter Lilies in memory of loved ones at St Mary's, SW.

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