

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

**SUNDAY - 17th May**

**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 Morning Praise

**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  
9.30am Tinies, SW  
5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, SW

**WEDNESDAY**

8.00am **No Morning Prayer this week**  
9.30am Building Blocks, Gt Chesterford  
9.30am Holy Communion, Saffron Walden, entry via the south door

**NEXT SUNDAY 24th May**

**St Mary's Saffron Walden**

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

**St Mary's Debden**

4.00pm Pentecost Praise

**St John's Little Walden**

10.30am Holy Communion

**All Saints Ashdon**

9.00am Pentecost Communion with Ashdon singers

**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**

7.00am Simple Communion around a firepit  
7.00pm Compline

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

*Please contact the Associate Administrator*

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  
17th May  
7th Sunday of Easter**

## Collect

Risen, ascended Lord,  
as we rejoice at your triumph,  
fill your Church on earth with power and  
compassion,  
that all who are estranged by sin  
may find forgiveness and know your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**First Reading:** Acts 1v 6-14

**Psalm:** 68 v 1-10

**Second Reading:** 1 Peter 4 v12-14, 5 v 6-11

**Gospel:** John 17 v 1-11

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.'

## Post Communion

Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In May please pray for St James' Swards End, St John's Little Walden and Wimbish Primary School

**The family and friends of those who have died recently:** Derek Evans, Shirley Baines, Alan Palmer, Geoffrey Miles, Janet Beavis, Patricia Banks, Nigel Ackerman

**Those whose banns are being read:**

**Saffron Walden:** James Lawrence & Imogen Doe, Sam Scott & Eleanor Game, Joe Pate & Jodi Henry, Jonny Hancock & Candice Howes

**Those who are getting married:**

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

## EVENTS

**DEBDEN BEE CORRIDOR** event will be held at Debden Village Hall on **17<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm**. Come and meet master beekeepers Richard & Jane Ridler. More details from Lynda [debden.wimbishvicar@gmail.com](mailto:debden.wimbishvicar@gmail.com)

**COFFEE MORNING** at Wenden Church on **Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> May from 10.30am to noon**. Come and enjoy a cup of coffee as well as a piece of cake and see the new facilities at Wenden church.

**WIMBISH CHURCH SUNDOWNERS & SALE** on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 5.30pm—7pm** A twist on our normal coffee morning with fizz and refreshments. Homemade produce, cakes and plants for sale. Raffle too.

**FIRE PIT COMMUNION SERVICE** **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 7am** at St Mary's, Lt Chesterford. A simple communion service around a fire pit to celebrate Pentecost. All welcome

**PENTECOST PRAISE** **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 4pm** at St Mary's, Debden. A service of readings, hymns and a short drama celebrating the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

**BRACKNELL CHORAL SOCIETY** concert on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 4.30pm** at St Mary's, SW. Free entry, retiring collection for St Mary's, SW.

**GALA CONCERT** in aid of Uttlesford Food Bank on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm** at St Mary's, SW with Hellier Strings and Granta Chorale. Tickets £20 (under 16's £5) on the door or from [ticketsource.co.uk/hellierstrings](http://ticketsource.co.uk/hellierstrings)

**PRAYER & WORSHIP EVENING** **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm** at All Saints, Gt Chesterford. Join us for an evening of extended worship and prayer. The evening will weave together contemporary worship songs and hymns, with moments of spontaneous prayer based around a passage of scripture. Led by Lucy Bunce and Ella Harris on harp, piano and cello, this will be a gentle, spirit-filled time to rest in God's presence.

## EVENTS

**All Saints' Great Chesterford** is hosting a concert by the renowned choral society **The New Cambridge Singers on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June starting at 7.30pm**. Tickets are on sale now at £15.00 to include an interval glass of wine or soft drink. Student tickets are £7.00. They are available from David and Pam Maskell on 01799 530098 or [pamanddavemaskell@gmail.com](mailto:pamanddavemaskell@gmail.com). Reserve your ticket now to make sure you don't miss out.

## NOTICES

**ST MARY'S MUSIC ASSOCIATION AGM** is on **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May at approx. 12 noon** after 10.30am service in the Parish Rooms. All welcome.

**CHURCH PATH, Saffron Walden will be CLOSED TO VEHICLES** at the west door from **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May—Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** during the day to allow the steeplejacks to repair the lightning conductor. Due to this, **Morning Prayer** will not take place on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May and entry to the **9.30am Communion service** will only be via the south door. **Parking will not be available.**

**SUMMER WELCOMERS** Could you volunteer some mornings/afternoons between June and September to welcome visitors to St Mary's Saffron Walden? If you think you could help, or would like to know more, please contact Vivian after church or on 07811 165049.

**SAVE THE DATE** St Mary's, SW Christmas Fair will take place on **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November from 10am –1pm**. Thank you again for all those who give their time and effort to this event. Any enquires please call Sue Birchall 07813 947157

**PAULA GRIFFITHS** is talking about her book on St John's Gospel (The Mystery of John: Reflections on the fourth Gospel) in Thaxted church on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 7.30pm**. Copies of the book will be available to buy. All Paula's proceeds from the book are supporting the Team's churches. Everybody welcome

**FABRIC & CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.** If you own the two plastic boxes in the downstairs middle room in the Parish Rooms, SW. Please can you let Julie Lester know.

## 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 are available each Sunday for the week ahead at St Mary's, SW, on the Bulletin & in the 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*