

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

SUNDAY - 19th July

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.20am Sunday Club (Parish Rooms)
10.30am Holy Communion (livestreamed)

All Saints Wimbish

10.30am Holy Communion with healing

St James' Searoad 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 Gt Chesterford

9.00am iChurch

St Mary's Lt Chesterford

10.30am Holy Communion

TUESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

8.00am Morning Prayer, SW
9.30am Holy Communion, SW

NEXT SUNDAY 26th July

St Mary's Saffron Walden

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

St Mary's Debden

9.00am Parish Praise

St John's Little Walden

10.30am Holy Communion

All Saints Ashdon

9.00am Holy Communion

St Peter's Littlebury Green

9.00am Holy Communion

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.00am Morning Prayer

All Saints Gt Chesterford

10.30am Holy Communion

St Mary's Lt Chesterford

7.00pm Compline

The Grapevine

**Welcome to our services today
19th July
7th Sunday after Trinity**

Collect

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading: Romans 8 v 12-25

Psalm: 86 v 11-17

Second Reading: Isaiah 44 v 6-8

Gospel: Matthew 13 v 24-30, 36-43

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" Then Jesus left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!'

Post Communion

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,
ever giving himself that the world may live:
may we so receive within ourselves
the power of his death and passion
that, in his saving cup,
we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;
for he 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 July please pray for Saffron Walden Salvation Army Corps & Katherine Semar Schools,

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Lillian Maddams, Rowan Sylvester-Bradley, Doreen Shaw

Those whose banns are being read:
Saffron Walden: Erithier Macani & Aril Bellinfantie

EVENTS

SUMMER CRAFT FAIR, on **19th July** from **12 noon till 4pm** held in St John's church, Little Walden and the village hall.

LUNCHTIME CONCERTS! For this week's concert on **Wednesday 22nd July** we welcome Veronica Henderson *cello* & Liz Mucha *piano*. The concert begins at **1.10pm** and will last approximately 40 minutes. Refreshments are available from 12.30pm. Free admission with a retiring collection. All are very welcome.

LAMMAS SERVICE on **Sunday 2nd August, 9.30am** at All Saints, Wimbish. All welcome. He makes bread that sustains their hearts.

HOUND OF THE BASKERVILLES on **Sat 8th August** from **4-6pm** outside at All Saints, Ashdon. All proceeds to support the church. Tickets Adults £14, Children £10 from buytickets.at/thepantaloons/2217468

Thank everyone who contributed to our Hope in Action (HIA) supporting the homeless. The many donations & the lovely atmosphere all helped to highlight the work of the charity and raised £381-31.

Andy & Hazel Colebrooke

SABBATICAL Jeremy will be returning from his sabbatical on Monday 27th July.

MINISTRY TEAM

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NOTICES

SCHOOL LEAVERS BIBLES If you would like to make a contribution for these Bibles (approx. £13 per Bible) please put your donation in an envelope marked 'SCHOOL BIBLES' and leave it in the Parish Office. Thank you *Anthea Slater*

SMMA BURSARY St. Mary's Music Association offers up to £500 based on the strength of application(s) to support the musical training and education of a young musician or young musicians in St. Mary's, SW parish in full time education. It can be used for music lessons, training courses, sheet music or towards the purchase of a musical instrument or accessories. Preference is given to applicants who use their skills in music-making at St. Mary's. Applications must be received by **31st July 2026** and the bursary runs from September to August. For further details, conditions and/or application form, please contact the SMMA Chairman, Hannah Razzell-
Email: music@stmaryssaffronwalden.org

CYCLING LONDON TO PARIS Steve is off cycling again, this time to raise funds for the project, which he is leading, to build 16 new affordable homes at the almshouses off Abbey Lane. This is a £5.8m project and there's just £400,000 left to raise. L2P is 270 miles and if you'd like to sponsor Steve, go to www.justgiving.com/page/stevehaslerkevi or scan this QR code:

If you prefer to use cash, leave an envelope addressed to Steve with the Parish Office. ALL DONATIONS INCLUDING GIFT AID ARE BEING MATCHED £ for £.



DID YOU KNOW that Premier Christian Radio are now producing a series of daily online devotional readings and prayers, which you can access with their free app **Premier Journa**? I've been invited to contribute, and am now working on a set of reflections on the seven I AM sayings of Jesus in St John's Gospel, with seven days' reflection on each saying. I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE is the first one; I hope it will be available fairly soon. Do talk to me if you'd like to know more.
Paula Griffiths

FUNERALS

The funeral for the late Rowan Sylvester-Bradley will be on Tuesday 11th August, 12.30pm at All Saints Church, Southern Road, Basingstoke RG21 3EA. The family have asked to let them know if you are going to attend. The Parish Office has contact details for the family if you need them.

Lillian Mary Maddams passed away peacefully at Addenbrooke's Hospital, after a short illness, on 23rd June 2026, aged 94. Her funeral service will be at St Mary's Parish Church, Saffron Walden on Thursday 30th July 2026 at 11.30am. All her friends & acquaintances are invited; followed by a private family cremation at Cam Valley Crematorium. Family flowers only please. Donations in her memory, if desired, to **Friends of Saffron Walden Parish Church** will be accepted at the Service or can be made via her In Memory page at www.peasgoodandskeates.co.uk, or sent c/o Peasgood & Skeates, Saffron Walden