

PARISH DIARY

TODAY 7th October 2018

Saffron Walden	8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662
	President: David Tomlinson 10.00am	HOLY COMMUNION + TEAM JC
	President: David Tomlinson Preacher: Rachel Prior 6.30pm	DEANERY SERVICE @ CHRISHALL
Hadstock	11.00am	HARVEST FESTIVAL
	Leader: Paula Griffiths	
Ashdon	8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662
	President: Richard Spencer 9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President: Richard Spencer 11.00am	IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH
	Leader: Richard Spencer	
Debden	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President: John Saxon	
Wimbish	11.00am	HARVEST FESTIVAL
	Leader: John Saxon	

THIS WEEK (All at St Mary's Saffron Walden, unless stated)

Monday 8th October

8.30am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 9th October

8.30am Morning Prayer

8.30am Morning Prayer *at Hadstock*

2.00pm St Mary's Tinies

5.00pm Evening Prayer *in the North Chapel***Wednesday 10th October**

8.00am Morning Prayer

9.30am Holy Communion

Thursday 11th October

8.30am Morning Prayer

Friday 12th October

8.30am Morning Prayer

Saturday 13th October

9.00am Morning Prayer

NEXT SUNDAY

14th October 2018

Saffron Walden	8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662
	10.00am	HOLY COMMUNION + TEAM JC
	11.30am	FRIENDS AGM
	12 noon	BAPTISM
	6.30pm	CHORAL EVENSONG
Sewards End	9.30am	HARVEST FESTIVAL
Little Walden	11.15am	FAMILY SERVICE
Hadstock	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662
Ashdon	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
	6.30pm	EVENSONG
Debden	9.30am	HARVEST FESTIVAL
Wimbish	11.00am	HOLY COMMUNION

Post Communion (cont'd from front page)

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.

See St Mary's church, SW, website at www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org to find out more.



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COVERING THE PARISHES OF SAFFRON WALDEN, WIMBISH, DEBDEN, ASHDON AND HADSTOCK.

Welcome to our services today
Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity
7th October 2018

Collect

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading: *Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12*

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, 'What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honour, subjecting all things under their feet.' Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, 'I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.'

Gospel: *Mark 10.2-16*

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, 'Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?' He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' They said, 'Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.' But Jesus said to them, 'Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, "God made them male and female." "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.' Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. Jesus said to them, 'Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.' People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Churches Together Prayer Cycle: In October please pray for Ashdon Baptist church & Ashdon Primary School

Those who are unwell: Stan Bradley, Dennis Sheldrick & Jenny Gallant

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Nancy (known as Nan) Harrison & Lawrence (Frank) Lindsell

EVENTS

WWW (Women Who Wonder) will meet next on **Tuesday 9th October** at 8pm at Gill Caswell's home 59A Claypit Piece, Saffron Walden when she will be telling us about her involvement with Tear Fund. All women of working age or thereabouts are very welcome to join this friendly group. Further info from Alison Knights alisoncinque@hotmail.com

MEGAN HUELIN'S ashes are to be interred on **Thursday 11th October** in London. Megan was a long-standing member of St Mary's church, Saffron Walden. *David*

MU BRANCH MEETING 11th October, 2.00pm in the Parish Rooms. Speaker: Anna Martin, subject 'University College Library'. All welcome. Eunice Harris

Our next **MEN'S BREAKFAST** will be at The Kings Arms, Market Hill on **Saturday 13th October** when we look forward to hearing our Guest Speaker, Revd John Saxon, one of David's clergy colleagues, giving his talk entitled 'The road to Ordination'. Tea and coffee will be served from 08:15 and we will sit down to a full English breakfast at 08:30. **Places are limited to the first 24** who commit by signing up on the notice board at the back of St Mary's church, SW, or by contacting Bill Rose tel. 516609 or email wjr2163@gmail.com

HARVEST SUPPER Saturday 13th October 7.30pm at Swards End Village Hall. Two course meal £5. Speaker: Joe Hordern "Thoughts of a Christian Soldier". Contact Judith Hasler for tickets SW525041 or judithhasler@btopenworld.com

FRIENDS AGM The AGM for the Friends of the Parish Church will take place after the 10am Service on **Sunday 14th October** at 11.30am in St Mary's Parish Rooms. New members always welcome. *Pamela Mugliston*

THURSDAY PRAISE is on **18th October** in St Mary's parish rooms. The theme is 'Wholeness in Christ' and the Bible reading is Mark 10:45-52. Come from 7.45pm onwards for teaching, worship and conversation. *David*

ST MARY'S BOOK GROUP will hold their next meeting at 8.15pm on **Friday 26th October** at 4 Castle Street to discuss Jung Chang's book **Wild Swans: Three Daughters of China**. Please contact me if you would like a copy (SW 520291). New members are always welcome. *Robin O'Neill*

75TH SALE OF STAMPS The next sale, as usual in aid of St Mary's Building and Music Funds, will be on **Saturday 3rd November**. Thousands of individual stamps at the Town Hall Council Chamber from 9.30 to noon. A warm welcome (and a cup of coffee) - even to those who are not dedicated stamp collectors! *David Hoy*

'LEST WE FORGET': 9th - 10th November A production of poetry, songs, re-enactments, commentary, stills and film footage to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the ending of the 1st World War. 7.30pm in the Baptist Church. Tickets £5 (£3 for children) available from the Tourist Information Centre, tel 01799 524002, or at the door. *Edward Gildea*

QUIET MORNING Saturday 17th November 9.30 - 12.30 in the Parish Rooms. Rachel will be leading with time for quiet prayer and reflection before the Christmas rush. A sign-up sheet will be going up next week. *Sue Walker*

CHRISTMAS FAIR 24th November Help is required in various areas for the Fair. Please see the noticeboard in St Mary's church, SW, and sign up where you can. Many thanks. *Pamela Mugliston*

GOOD NEWS FROM LYNN TRENEARY and CMS Please pick up Lynn's latest link letter from the back of St Mary's church, SW. Thank you all for your wonderful generosity enabling exciting mission development to take place in amongst the conflict and struggles of South Sudan and for faithful prayers for the growing work in Maridi. *Sue Walker*

COPY for next month's "**PARISH NEWS**" should be in St Mary's Parish Office by Sunday 14th October.

NOTICES

TODAY

MEMBERS OF THE PRAYER MINISTRY TEAM are available to offer prayer for yourself or someone you care about. Simply go to the clergy vestry after you have been to the altar for communion or a blessing. *David*

SAFFRON WALDEN DEANERY ANNUAL SERVICE which, this year, is a Youth Service @ Holy Trinity, Chrishall, **6.30pm**. All welcome - there will be cake!

THANK YOU to all those who give financially to St Mary's church, SW. The PCC treasurer reported at our September meeting that we are likely to cover our expenditure of £260,000 in 2018. We are grateful to all those on our planned giving schemes. *David, Denis and Gill*

WOMAN OF THE YEAR was a success with an audience of 150 and £1,200 raised for our Building Project. Thank you to Caroline Goulder and the two performers, Anna Nicholson and Bobby Goulder, and all those who supported this event. *David*

THANK YOU for giving so generously to Rachel's ordination gift. Rachel has a green stole so far and we are in conversation about what else she would like. *David*

MANY THANKS for all the love, support and prayer given to us as we were ordained priest at St Mary's, SW, last weekend. A huge thanks especially to the team that helped make the service so special and for the hospitality afterwards. It is a privilege and joy to serve you as priests. Every blessing. *Rachel and John*

PETE & MARGARET would like to thank everyone for their love, good wishes and prayers and a wonderful farewell lunch which we shall never forget!

SPONSORSHIP FOR FRIENDS OF ESSEX CHURCHES RIDE AND STRIDE There are just a few donations left to be made. They can be given to either the Rector or me or dropped into the parish office in an envelope addressed to me and clearly marked with your name. Cheques should be made payable to **Friends of Essex Churches Trust**. If you need to know how much you pledged please give me a call. Thank you. *Steve Hasler (525041)*

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX APPEAL How about putting a big smile on the face of a child this Christmas by filling a shoebox with presents - the only presents they will receive? To find out more take a look at the noticeboard at the back of St Mary's church, SW, then pick up a shoebox and leaflet with suggested things to fill it with! Return your filled box to the noticeboard, or take directly to SW Baptist church. Thank You. *Judith Felgate*

HOME INSURANCE To celebrate Ecclesiastical Insurance's 130th anniversary they are offering to donate £130 when a new home insurance policy is taken out. We have recently received our first donation from this campaign which runs until 31st December. Details on the poster in the west porch of St Mary's church, SW, or from me. *Denis*

SURPLUS FURNITURE Now that the work at the west end of St Mary's church, SW, has been completed we have the old bookcases for disposal from the children's corner, together with a number of benches and a table which is in the south porch. If you are interested in having any of these items, please contact me. *Denis*

CLERGY TEAM

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