

## PARISH DIARY

TODAY 15<sup>th</sup> September 2019

<b>Saffron Walden</b>	8.00am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION 1662</b>
	President: David Tomlinson 10.00am	<b>HARVEST FAMILY SERVICE</b>
	Leader: David Tomlinson	
	Talk: Rachel Prior	
	11.45am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
	President: David Tomlinson	
	6.30pm	<b>HOLY COMMUNION with prayers for wholeness &amp; healing</b>
	President: Rachel Prior	
<b>Hadstock</b>	9.30am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
	President: Paula Griffiths	
<b>Ashdon</b>	9.30am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
	President: Richard Spencer	
<b>Debden</b>	9.15am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
	President: Andy Harding	
<b>Wimbish</b>	11.00am	<b>MATTINS</b>
	Leader: Home Team	

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

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

8.30am Morning Prayer

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September**

8.30am Morning Prayer

8.30am Morning Prayer *at Hadstock*

2.00pm St Mary's Tinies

5.00pm Evening Prayer

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September**

8.00am Morning Prayer

9.30am Holy Communion

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September**

8.30am Morning Prayer

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September**

8.30am Morning Prayer

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

9.00am Morning Prayer

9.30am Holy Communion - *Matthew*NEXT SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2019

<b>Saffron Walden</b>	8.00am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION 1662</b>
	10.00am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION + TEAM JC</b>
	6.30pm	<b>EVENSONG</b>
<b>Little Walden</b>	11.15am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
<b>Hadstock</b>	9.30am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
<b>Ashdon</b>	9.30am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION (HARVEST)</b>
		<b>MATTINS</b>
<b>Debden</b>	9.15am	<b>MATTINS</b>
<b>Wimbish</b>	11.00am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>

# The Grapevine

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

Welcome to our services today

**Harvest Festival**

**Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity**

**15<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

**Collect**

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; 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: Jeremiah 4.11-12,22-28**

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert towards my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse – a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgement against them. 'For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good.' I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the LORD, before his fierce anger. For thus says the LORD: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

**Gospel: Luke 15.1-10**

All the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he told them this parable: 'Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost." Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost." Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

**Post Communion**

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

See St Mary's church, SW, website at [www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org](http://www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org) to find out more.



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## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**Churches Together Prayer Cycle:** In September please pray for Society of Friends, Saffron Walden & Chrishall School

**Those who are unwell:** Ella Martin, Ken Ryles

**The family and friends of those who have died recently:** Ronald Bacon, Doreen Ketteridge, Maureen Rayner, Gladys Bayne & Brenda Luckings

## EVENTS

**SAFFRON WALDEN BIBLE FOCUS Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September** at United Reformed Church, Abbey Lane, SW. 2.30pm and 5.30pm. Adult Sessions: Theme: "Who is Jesus?" Speaker: Alasdair Paine, St Andrew the Great, Cambridge, tea provided. Children and Youth Programme (ages 4 - 14): "Who on earth is Jesus?" For further details email: [swbible.focus@gmail.com](mailto:swbible.focus@gmail.com)

**DIANA HOY and WENDY WATTS** are giving a concert on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September** at 7.30pm in St Botolph's Church, Hadstock entitled '**OUR FAVOURITES**' - A selection of well-loved songs from Schubert to Samuel Barber and living composers Ned Rosen and Ian Higginson and many more! Free entry. Retiring collection for the Friends of St Botolph's Church, to support the next phase of church repairs. Refreshments available. All welcome. *Paula Griffiths*

**SPRINGFIELD ROAD HOMEGROUP** reconvenes on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** when we will begin a study of St. Mark's gospel. New members welcome. Contact Sue Walker 523007

**RECTOR'S PLANS** I've decided that it's time to set a date for my departure to Birmingham. I'll be moving house in the last week of November, which means my final service will be on **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November** at 10am. In the meantime, I continue to look for my next post and to value your prayers. *David*

**LINK LETTER FROM LYNN TRENEARY** (St Mary's CMS link partner) As always Lynn's letters are full of love and challenge as well as inspiring faith. Do pick one up from the back of St Mary's church, Saffron Walden, as Lynn, South Sudan, Maridi and Chaima need our prayers. The next prayer evening for Lynn will be at 3 Springhill Rd on **27<sup>th</sup> September** at 6.30pm followed by bring and share supper. For further information contact Sue Walker 523007, email [suewalker619@btinternet.com](mailto:suewalker619@btinternet.com)

### THE TRANSITION PROJECT

Self-help and support, CV writing and improving, Interview practice, job search, discussion.  
Tuesdays 10am to 12 noon in the Parish Rooms, beside St Mary's Church, Saffron Walden  
[www.transitionproject.co.uk](http://www.transitionproject.co.uk)

## NOTICES

### TODAY

#### HARVEST COLLECTION for JIMMY'S CAMBRIDGE

For over 20 years, Jimmy's has been providing help for the homeless in Cambridge. We work with the local Community, Volunteers and Partner agencies to deliver 24/7 emergency accommodation and supported housing for those who would otherwise be homeless or vulnerably housed. *David*

**CAKE SALE** James Razzell will be hosting a cake sale in aid of endangered animals after the Harvest Family Service at St Mary's, Saffron Walden. Please support James. Thank you. *Rachel*

**HERITAGE OPEN DAY** We are participating in the national Heritage Open Days, **2 - 5pm** when parts of St Mary's church, SW, will be open which are not usually accessible to the public, including the bell tower, the organ loft and the north chapel containing the Audley Tomb. The national theme this year is "People Power" in commemoration of the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Peterloo Massacre and there will be a display about Christians who have made a special contribution to society since that date. *Clifford Want*

**COFFEE, CAKES AND COMPANY 3pm -**  
in St Mary's Parish Rooms. All welcome.

**CONFIRMATION COURSE** If you are interested in learning more about the Christian faith and being confirmed in the Autumn term, please speak to Rachel or David.

**YOUNG ADULT HOME GROUP** Anyone interested in joining this new group please speak to Rachel or Matt.

Foreign and British commemorative **STAMPS, CURRENCY & BRITISH COINS** and notes that are no longer in circulation, please hand to me or St Mary's Parish Office. All proceeds go to Hearing Dogs for Deaf People. *Margaret Walter*

All items for the **GRAPEVINE** should be sent to [secretary.swrectory@ntlworld.com](mailto:secretary.swrectory@ntlworld.com) by 9am on Wednesdays.

## CLERGY TEAM

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