

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

SUNDAY 21st January**St Mary's Saffron Walden**

8.00am Holy Communion (livestreamed)

10.30am **United Service at the Baptist Church** (no service at St Mary's)**All Saints Wimbish**

10.30am Holy Communion

St James' Swards 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

With breakfast from 8.45am

St Mary's Little Chesterford

10.30am Holy Communion

MONDAY

1.45pm Church Mice, Debden

TUESDAY

8.30am Morning Prayer, Hadstock

9.30am Tinies, Saffron Walden

5.00pm Evening Prayer - Zoom only, SW

WEDNESDAY

8.00am Morning Prayer, Saffron Walden

9.30am Holy Communion

NEXT SUNDAY 28th JANUARY

St Mary's Saffron Walden

8.00am Holy Communion (livestreamed)

10.30am Family Service

6.30pm Epiphany Carol Service (livestreamed)

St Mary's Debden

4.00pm Christingle

St John's Little Walden

10.30am Holy Communion

All Saints Ashdon

9.00am Sunday Worship

St Peter's Littlebury Green

10.30am Sunday Worship

St Mary's Wendens Ambo

9.00am Morning Prayer

All Saints Great Chesterford

10.30am United Service at Chesterford Community Centre

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.

The Grapevine

**Welcome to our services today
3rd Sunday of Epiphany
Week of Christian Unity
21st January 2024**

Collect

God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord.

First Reading: Revelation 19 v 6-10**Psalm:** 128**Second Reading:** Genesis 14 v 17-20**Gospel:** John 2 v 1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Post Communion

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In January please pray for: Saffron Walden Community Church and Saffron Walden County High School

The family and friends of those who have died recently: Samantha Leese

EVENTS

CHURCH MICE Parent and Toddler Group next meet **from 1.45pm-3.00pm Monday 22nd January** in the New Room, Debden Church, Church Lane, CB11 3LD All parents/carers and pre-schoolers are welcome for a social session with a mixture of activities: toys, crafts, songs, and refreshments.

The **HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL SERVICE** is taking place on **Friday 26th January at 1.40pm** at St Mary's, Saffron Walden. The speaker will be Maira Aisaeva, a member of the Uyghur community.

The **FAIRTRADE STALL** at St Mary's, SW will be available both before and after the 10.30am service on **Sunday 28th January**. Cash only please.

CANDLEMASS CHRISTINGLE SERVICE at St Mary's, Debden on **Sunday 28th January at 4pm**. Refreshments from 3.30pm.

DEANERY SYNOD 7th February at 7.30pm at Thaxted Church Hall.

The **QUINQUA QUIZ** is on **Saturday 10th February at 7pm** in the Parish Rooms to raise funds for the Bishop's Lent Appeal. Teams of 6, £5 per person. Teams from all of the churches in the team welcome. There is a sign up sheet for those looking to join others to make a team in St Mary's, SW. Contact Chris Bishop or the Parish Office for more details.

Date for your diary! Aftershock will be hosting their annual **JIMMY'S MEAL** on the **9th March 2024**. The menu and sign up will be up at the back of church by the end of January. It will be an amazing night of delicious food and excellent entertainment with all donations going to the work of Jimmy's Night Shelter in Cambridge. Make sure you sign up early as places go quickly! *Matt Williamson*

Please send items for the **GRAPEVINE** to Claire Dunn by **WEDNESDAY at 9.00am** to admin@stmaryssaffronwalden.org

NOTICES

United Services

Saffron Walden Churches Together
10.30am at the Baptist Church
on Sunday 21st January, today

Led by Rev'd John Goddard
with Archdeacon Rev'd Kate Peacock
preaching (no service at St Mary's, SW)

Chesterford Churches Together
10.30am at the Community Centre
on Sunday 28th January

NEW EDITOR of St Mary's SW Parish News needed. After 5 years in the role, Andy Colebrooke will be stepping down as editor of St Mary's Parish News in September 2024. Andy has done much to revolutionise our Parish News, making it an attractive and interesting read which is free, in colour and also available to all on the website. If our Parish News is to continue past September then we need someone to take this on please, and that could be God's calling to you or someone else you might know of? If you know of someone who might be interested or would like to know more, do speak to Andy or Martin Hugall on the Communications Committee.

WHAT CAN I GIVE UP FOR LENT? Instead of chocolate, how about an hour of your time to spring clean the Parish Rooms? Bring your own rubber gloves and get stuck in on **Saturday 17th February 10am –12pm**. Join the Marigold Club!

If you need to contact Rev'd Trew, please use email as the rectory telephone line is awaiting repair.

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