

## PARISH DIARY

TODAY

15th October 2017

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| <b>Saffron Walden</b> | 8.00am     | <b>HOLY COMMUNION 1662</b>      |
|                       | President: | Paula Griffiths                 |
|                       | 10.00am    | <b>FAMILY SERVICE</b>           |
|                       | Leader:    | Tracey Nicholls                 |
|                       | Speaker:   | David Tomlinson                 |
| <b>Hadstock</b>       | 11.45am    | <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>           |
|                       | President: | David Tomlinson                 |
|                       | 6.30pm     | <b>DEANERY SERVICE @ HENHAM</b> |
|                       | Speakers   | Matt and Nicola Williamson      |
|                       | 9.30am     | <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>           |
| <b>Ashdon</b>         | President: | Paula Griffiths                 |
|                       | Preacher:  | John Saxon                      |
| <b>Debden</b>         | 9.30am     | <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>           |
|                       | President: | Richard Spencer                 |
| <b>Wimbish</b>        | 9.30am     | <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>           |
|                       | President: | Jeremy Collingwood              |
|                       | 11.00am    | <b>MATTINS</b>                  |

**THIS WEEK** (All at St Mary's Saffron Walden, unless stated)**Monday 16th October**

8.30am Morning Prayer

**Tuesday 17th October**

8.30am Morning Prayer

8.30am Morning Prayer *at Hadstock*2.00pm St Mary's Tinies *in the Parish Room***Wednesday 18th October**

8.00am Morning Prayer

9.30am Holy Communion - *Luke***Thursday 19th October**

8.30am Morning Prayer

**Friday 20th October**

8.30am Morning Prayer

11am Funeral of David Mansfield

**Saturday 21st October**

9.00am Morning Prayer

2.00pm Wedding of Benjamin Buttery

**NEXT SUNDAY**

22nd October 2017

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|                       | & Imogen Hudson |                               |
| <b>Saffron Walden</b> | 8.00am          | <b>HOLY COMMUNION 1662</b>    |
|                       | 10.00am         | <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>         |
|                       | 12 noon         | <b>BAPTISMS</b>               |
|                       | 6.30pm          | <b>EVENSONG</b>               |
| <b>Sewards End</b>    | 9.30am          | <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>         |
| <b>Hadstock</b>       | 9.30am          | <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>         |
| <b>Little Walden</b>  | 11.15am         | <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>         |
| <b>Ashdon</b>         | 9.30am          | <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>         |
| <b>Debden</b>         | 9.30am          | <b>MATTINS</b>                |
| <b>Wimbish</b>        | 11.00am         | <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b> Z261-50 |

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guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

**Post Communion**

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. Amen

# The Grapevine

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, ASHDON

[www.allsaintsashdon.org.uk](http://www.allsaintsashdon.org.uk)**Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity**  
**15th October 2017****Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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:** *Revelation 21:1-9*

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life. Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children. But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the polluted, the murderers, the fornicators, the sorcerers, the idolaters, and all liars, their place will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death." Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, "Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb."

**Gospel:** *Matthew 22:1-14*

Once more Jesus spoke to the chief priests and Pharisees in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the

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## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

### The family and friends of those who have died recently:

David Coe, Roy Green, David Mansfield, Jean Swann

**Churches Together Prayer Cycle:** In October please pray for Ashdon Baptist Church and Wimbish School

**Those who are unwell:** Dennis Sheldrick, Jenny Gallant & Irene Stapleton

**Those whose wedding banns are being called:**

Laurence Ellis & Susan Hatch

**Those who are getting married at St Mary's SW on 21st**

## TEAM

**LIVING QUESTIONS** Want to know more? Want a place to ask your questions? Six Tuesday evenings exploring the Christian faith at the Rectory, starting on **17<sup>th</sup> October** at 7.45pm. Interested? Speak to David

**WOMEN'S OWN** meets again on **Saturday 28th October** from 9.00-10.00am for breakfast, and "The Pathways of Discernment" with Sue Walker. If you would like to join us, please sign up on the board at the back of church, or telephone Margaret Taylor 500292, or email judithfelgate@gmail.com by 25 October. All Ladies welcome!

**QUIET MORNING IN ST MARY'S PARISH ROOMS** on **Saturday 4th November** 9.30 - 12.30. This promises to be a great morning of reflection, prayer and time out and will be led by Rachel Prior. If you would like to come there is a sign-up sheet at the back of church or contact Sue Walker 523007 email suewalker619@btinternet.com

**WALDEN WALKS Saturday 21st October—meet in St Mary's SW at 3.30pm** for an informal walk and reflection on the "Roots of the Reformation in Saffron Walden" for an hour and enjoy tea afterwards at SW Community Church. Children welcome. More information from John Martin SW 501117

**COLCHESTER AREA CROSSROADS (VOCATIONS) DAY - "THE PATH" Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November** 10am-4pm (coffee from 9.30am & free lunch provided), Holy Cross Church, Felsted. For people at every stage of exploring vocation to all sorts of ministry, lay and ordained with time to think and pray about your own direction in life, and an opportunity to talk with other people on similar journeys. For more information visit <http://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/thepath> *Margaret Davis*

## TODAY - Sunday 15th October

**SAFFRON WALDEN DEANERY SERVICE** on this evening at 6.30m at Henham parish church. Matt and Nicola Williamson will be speaking at this service. I encourage you to come along. *David*

## WEEKEND AWAY—29 June to 1 July at Belsey Bridge near Bungay Suffolk

Our theme is 'Sharing God's Love' and our speaker is Bishop Stephen Cottrell.

Come and enjoy a weekend of friendship, learning together and fun for all the family. The weekend offers comfortable accommodation (including many en-suite rooms) and delicious fully catered meals from Friday dinner to Sunday tea.

There will be a creche and activities for under 11s and 11-18 year olds.

Cost £140-£170 per person full board, day rates available, under 18s FREE.

Pick up a booking form or go St Mary's website ([www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org](http://www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org)) for more details.

**NOT BEEN CONFIRMED?** Like to be? There is a confirmation service at Wendens Ambo Parish Church on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November** at 7.30pm. Interested? Speak to David. There is also a **YOUTH CONFIRMATION** - If you are interested in being confirmed, or you know a young person who is, please contact Matt for more information [matt.williamson20@me.com](mailto:matt.williamson20@me.com)

## ASHDON

551 When morning gilds the skies  
90 Come down, O Love divine  
490 The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want  
204 He is Lord, he is Lord  
56 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, in order to make her holy by cleansing her with the washing of water by the word, so as to present the church to himself in splendor, without a spot or wrinkle or anything of the kind—yes, so that she may be holy and without blemish. ([Ephesians 5:25-27](#))

On Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October the two churches in Ashdon will meet together for a **joint morning service**. We hope this will be the first on many, this one will be at 10:30am at Ashdon Baptist Church. There will be no 9:30am service that day at All Saints'.

Our **Patronal Festival** will be at 9:30am on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November. We will celebrate with an afternoon walk (2pm) and tea in the Parish Rooms.

### Christmas Dates:

Saturday 16th December 10am: Work party to decorate the church

Sunday 17th December 6:30pm: Carol Service with mince pies and mulled wine

Sunday 24th December 4pm: Christingle (christingles made in the morning)

Sunday 24th December 11:30pm: Midnight Communion

Monday 25th December: 9:30am Christmas Communion

## CLERGY TEAM

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