

# The Grapevine

**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, ASHDON**

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**All Saints and All Souls**

**4<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

You may remember that Archdeacon Robin King asked us to contribute to a motorbike for an archdeacon in Kenya. Here is Robin's report:

I have just returned from visiting Kenya with some of our curates, and wanted to share with you my joy at seeing the motorbike we funded in use, and making such a difference to the life of the Archdeacon Hilary Njoroge and the parishes and clergy he supports.

Having driven along the roads behind him (struggling to keep up in our four-wheel-drive minibus - the roads were simply too narrow and pot-holed), and visited some of the remote parishes he serves, some of which are otherwise only accessible on foot, I can vouch for the fact that it was money incredibly well spent, and has transformed his life and the support he is able to give. At one parish we visited, it had taken the vicar 2½ hours to walk there, over really tricky terrain, as his bike had broken down. (We did give him a lift home in our bus!)



**Collect**

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

**First Reading: Revelation 21.1-6**

I, John, 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.'

**Gospel: John 11.32-44**

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?' Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**11<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

<b>Saffron Walden</b>	8.00am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION 1662 T24</b>
	9.30am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
	11.00am	<b>REMEMBRANCE SERVICE</b>
	5.30pm	<b>DEVOTIONAL OFFERING</b>
<b>Sewards End</b>	3.00pm	<b>REMEMBRANCE SERVICE</b>
	10.45am	<b>REMEMBRANCE SERVICE</b>
<b>Hadstock</b>	9.30am	<b>REMEMBRANCE SERVICE</b>
<b>Ashdon</b>		<b>at Ashdon Baptist Church</b>
<b>Debden</b>	9.30am	<b>FAMILY SERVICE</b>
	10.50am	<b>REMEMBRANCE SERVICE</b>
<b>Wimbish</b>	10.50am	<b>REMEMBRANCE SERVICE</b>

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**Post Communion**

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**Churches Together Prayer Cycle:** In November please pray for All Saints, Ashdon, Wimbish & Debden Schools

**Those who are unwell:** Stan Bradley, Dennis Sheldrick & Simon Gore

**The family and friends of those who have died recently:** Patricia Zolnierczyk, Eleanor Bullough, Terry King, Yvonne Dix & Eileen Diggons

**Those who are being baptised today at St Mary's SW:** Francesca Palmieri & Robert Meichen

## TEAM

**ST MARY'S MU BRANCH MEETING Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November**, 2pm Parish Rooms. Speaker: Colonel Joseph Hordern, subject "Life in the Army". All welcome. *Eunice Harris*

**COLCHESTER AREA CROSSROADS DAY Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November**, 10am - 3.30pm, St Paul's Church, Braintree. For people who are exploring what God might be calling them to next. The day is free including lunch. To attend 'phone Revd Ian Hilton, CMD Advisor on 07813 538926.

The next **JULIAN MEETING** will be on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November** at Sheilah Girgis-Hanna's house at 44 The Wayback @ 7.30pm.

**WWW (Women who Wonder)** will meet on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November** at Gill Caswell's home, 59A Claypit Piece, Saffron Walden at 8pm when Rev Angela Want will be leading us in an act of Celtic worship. All women of working age or thereabouts are very welcome to join this friendly group. More information from Alison Knights [alisoncinque@hotmail.com](mailto:alisoncinque@hotmail.com)

UNA-UK Saffron Walden & District Branch **1918-2018 - 100 YEARS ON: STRIVING FOR PEACE LECTURE, Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November**, 7.30pm @ SW County High School, "Contributions of International Organisations to the empowerment of Women" - Baroness Shirley Williams, former Secretary of State. Free admission.

**QUIET MORNING** "Gaudete: Joy in Advent" led by Rachel on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November** 9.30 - 12.30pm, exploring the pathways of joy for Mary and Elizabeth as taken from the beginning of Luke's Gospel. A great morning of reflection and prayer; please sign up at the back of St Mary's church, SW. All welcome! *Sue Walker*

**KENYA PRESENTATION** John and I have returned from Kenya and will give a presentation about the trip on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November** at 7.45pm in the Parish Rooms - all welcome. *Rachel*

Date for your Diary! **AFTERSHOCK'S JIMMY'S MEAL**, **12<sup>th</sup> January 2019**, 7 for 7:30pm start. Tickets released at Christmas Fair. *Matt Williamson*

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES** Please would you return your **filled shoebox** by **next Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November**, and leave by the noticeboard at the back of St Mary's church, SW, or take them direct to SW Baptist Church. Thank you. *Mike and Judith Felgate 524747*.

## CLERGY TEAM

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## ASHDON

### 8am Communion

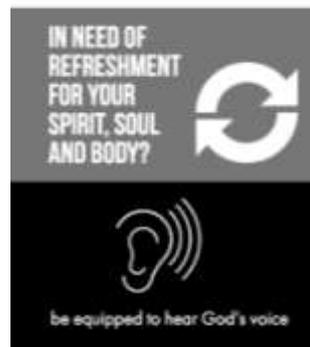
### 9:30am Communion

134 For all the saints who from their labours rest

549 When I survey the wondrous Cross  
In Christ Alone

53 Be still, for the presence of the Lord  
313 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy

Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." ([John 11:21-27](#))



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**All Saints Ashdon,  
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ALL WELCOME**

### 11am In Spirit and Truth

- **Next Sunday 11th November, 9:30am joint Remembrance Sunday service at Ashdon Baptist Church (no service in All Saints')** to mark the 100th anniversary of the ending of the First World War
- Sunday 25th November, 4pm, **'Light up a Life' memorial service** supporting the work of St Clare Hospice, Harlow.
- **Advent Study Course: 7:30pm**, Wednesdays 28th November, 5th, 12th, 19th December at the Vicarage. We will continue the course by Frank Viola: *Living by the Indwelling Life of Christ*