

PARISH DIARY

TODAY 17th February 2019

Saffron Walden	8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662 (Septuagesima)
	President:	Rachel Prior
	Preacher:	David Tomlinson
	10.00am	FAMILY SERVICE
	Leader:	David Tomlinson
	Talk:	Tracey Nicholls
	11.45am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President:	David Tomlinson
	4.00pm	HOLY COMMUNION with prayers for wholeness & healing
	President:	Rachel Prior
Hadstock	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President:	Paula Griffiths
Ashdon	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President:	Chris Bishop
Debden	9.15am	HOLY COMMUNION
	President:	John Saxon
Wimbish	11.00am	MATTINS
	Leader:	John Saxon

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

Monday 18th February	8.30am Morning Prayer
Tuesday 19th February	8.30am Morning Prayer
	8.30am Morning Prayer <i>at Hadstock</i>
	5.00pm Evening Prayer
Wednesday 20th February	8.30am Morning Prayer
	9.30am Holy Communion
Thursday 21st February	8.30am Morning Prayer
Friday 22nd February	8.30am Morning Prayer
Saturday 23rd February	9.00am Morning Prayer

NEXT SUNDAY 24th February 2019

Saffron Walden	8.00am	HOLY COMMUNION 1662 (St Matthias Day)
	10.00am	HOLY COMMUNION
	4.00pm	EVENSONG
Sewards End	9.30am	MORNING PRAISE
Little Walden	11.15am	HOLY COMMUNION
Hadstock	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
Ashdon	9.30am	HOLY COMMUNION
Debden	9.15am	MATTINS
Wimbish	11.00am	HOLY COMMUNION

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The Grapevine

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, ASHDON
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Third Sunday before Lent
17th February 2019

Collect

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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: 1 Corinthians 15.12-20

If Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ – whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Gospel: Luke 6.17-26

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

Post Communion

Merciful Father, who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life, that those who come to him should never hunger: draw us to the Lord in faith and love, that we may eat and drink with him at his table in the kingdom, where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Churches Together Prayer Cycle: In February please pray for Our Lady of Compassion Roman Catholic Church & St Thomas More School

Those who are unwell: Stan Bradley, Dennis Sheldrick Christine Coughlan & Cherry Bryant

The family and friends of those who have died recently:

Denis Woodley, Pamela Moy & Denis Digges La Touche

Those whose wedding banns are being called:

Thomas Magness & Abigail Thurgood-Buss (Wimbish & Debden), Luke Williams & Emma Duncan (St Mary's SW), Damion Smyth & Rebecca Brennan (Hadstock)

TEAM

Please pray for **CHARLES COWPER** as he prepares to test his vocation to ordained ministry at a three day conference in the week beginning 18th February. *David*

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER has been prepared this year by Christian ladies of Slovenia. It is an inspiring, thought provoking service of prayer and song. Come and hear about life in Slovenia which is one of the smallest and youngest countries in Europe. Ladies and gentlemen will be warmly welcomed at the Community Church at 2pm on **Friday 1st March** with refreshments afterwards. *Ruby Parsons*

QUIET MORNING David will be leading our next Quiet Morning entitled 'Be Faithful to Christ', on **Saturday 2nd March** in St Mary's Parish Rooms. Doors open at 9:30 for coffee and start at 10am - 12 noon. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of St Mary's church, SW. Please put this date in your diary. This promises to be a time of quiet reflection and challenge. All welcome. *Sue Walker*

CONCERT AT ST MARY'S, SAFFRON WALDEN, Saturday 9th March 7.30pm. Cambridge University Symphony Chorus perform Dvorak Stabat Mater. Details on church website and flyers at the back of church. A proportion of the proceeds will go to the Building Project. *Caroline Goulder*

JOYFUL NOISE Our youngest singing group is looking for new members! Joyful Noise is a singing group for children in school years 1-3, who love music, singing and having fun. We meet on Fridays in the Parish Rooms, with sessions running from 5.15pm-6pm. Many of our current Junior Choir members started off in Joyful Noise, and there are many opportunities to take part in Family Services, Celebrate @4 and other special occasions in the Church Year. For more information, please contact Anne Cass (annecass@btinternet.com). Tel SW 650083

DAVID'S BOOK called 'Leading a Church to maturity in love' is available for pre-order from Sacristy Press - go to their website - or any good book shop. ISBN: 978-1-78959-023-4, only £12.99. *David*

URGENT REQUEST I need someone soon to co-ordinate our Christian Aid collection in May. This is not an onerous role but helps to raise over £1,000. If you are interested, I'd be pleased to hear from you. *David*.

SHAPE COURSE starting in March - flyers and information at the back of St Mary's church, SW. If you are interested, please speak to Rachel or me. Thank you. *David*

CLERGY TEAM

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Revd John Saxon 01799 541619

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372 O Jesus, I have promised

393 O worship the King all glorious above

483 The King is among us

417 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

422 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

We welcome **Rev. Chris Bishop** to lead our worship today.

Next Sunday morning at 9:30am we will welcome Sandra Lloyd and Sarah Wolton to tell us about the work of **Sierra Foundation for Life Skills**, a charity working in Sierra Leone.

Sheila Plumridge is stepping down from the **Ashdon Magazine** Committee after many years of faithful service. It would be great if another member of the All Saints' church family could volunteer to help with the vital part of village life. Please speak to Sheila to find out more.

Film night in Ashdon: **Finger of God 2** Thursday 7th March, 7pm in the Parish Rooms. Finger of God 2 was directed by Will Hacker and produced by Darren Wilson.

Our **Lent Course** this year, in partnership with Ashdon Baptist Church will take place on Thursday evenings, starting at 7pm:

- 28th March at the Manse
- 4th April at the Manse
- 11th April at the Vicarage
- 18th April in All Saints' Church (Maundy Thursday)

Spirit and Truth, our times of spontaneous worship, ministry and teaching will start again 6:30pm Saturday 2nd March in the Vicarage and 11am Sunday 3rd March in the Parish Rooms. Everyone welcome,

Spirit and Truth
For those who will worship Him in Spirit and Truth
John 4:23-24

IN NEED OF
REFRESHMENT
FOR YOUR
SPIRIT, SOUL
AND BODY?



be equipped to hear God's voice

**JOIN US FOR
SPIRIT AND TRUTH**



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