

**PARISH DIARY**

**TODAY 17<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

<b>Saffron Walden</b>	8.00am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION 1662</b>
	President: Rachel Prior	
	10.00am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION + TEAM JC</b>
	President: David Tomlinson	
	4.00pm	<b>HOLY COMMUNION with prayers for wholeness &amp; healing</b>
<b>Hadstock</b>	President: Rachel Prior	
	3.00pm	<b>SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING</b>
	Leader: Paula Griffiths	
	Talk: Bishop Roger	
<b>Ashdon</b>	9.30am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
	President: Chris Bishop	
<b>Debden</b>	9.15am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
	President: John Saxon	
<b>Wimbish</b>	11.00am	<b>MATTINS</b>
	Leader: John Saxon	

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

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March**  
 8.30am Morning Prayer

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March**  
 8.30am Morning Prayer  
 8.30am Morning Prayer *at Hadstock*  
 9.30am Holy Communion - *Joseph*  
 2.00pm St Mary's Tinies  
 5.00pm Evening Prayer

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March**  
 8.00am Morning Prayer  
 9.30am Holy Communion  
 11.30am Funeral of Olga Moore

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March**  
 8.30am Morning Prayer

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**  
 8.30am Morning Prayer

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**  
 9.00am Morning Prayer  
 12 noon Wedding Blessing of Geoffrey Etherington & Jadwiga Szmidt

**NEXT SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

<b>Saffron Walden</b>	8.00am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION 1662</b>
	10.00am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION + TEAM JC</b>
	12 noon	<b>BAPTISM</b>
	4.00pm	<b>CELEBRATE @ 4</b>
<b>Hadstock</b>	9.30am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
<b>Ashdon</b>	9.30am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
<b>Debden</b>	9.15am	<b>MATTINS</b>
<b>Wimbish</b>	11.00am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>

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# The Grapevine

**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, ASHDON**  
[www.allsaintsashdon.org.uk](http://www.allsaintsashdon.org.uk)  
**Second Sunday of Lent**  
**17<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**Collect**

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**First Reading: *Philippians 3.17-4.1***

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

**Gospel: *Luke 13.31-35***

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."'

**Post Communion**

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**Churches Together Prayer Cycle:** In March please pray for Abbey Lane & Newport URC, incorporating the Methodist Church, Dame Bradbury's School

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

**The family and friends of those who have died recently:** Olga Moore & Ian Barclay

**Those whose wedding banns are being called at St Mary's,**

**Saffron Walden:** James Kirk & Joanna Kay, Christopher Clout & Courtney Meichen

**Those who are receiving a wedding blessing at St Mary's**

**SW on 23rd March:** Geoffrey Etherington & Jadwiga Szmids

## EVENTS

**MEN'S SUPPER** Our next supper will be at The Yuva, Debden on **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March**, 7.00 for 7.30pm. All welcome. Bring a friend. Please sign up on the notice board at the back of St Mary's church, SW, or contact Bill Rose - email: [wjr2163@gmail.com](mailto:wjr2163@gmail.com) - tel. 01799 516609 - before 26<sup>th</sup> March.

**THE DEANERY CLERGY WIVES** will meet on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April** from 2.30pm at 73 Thaxted Rd. Please ring me on 01799 520007 if you would like, or can offer, transport. *Lesley Sibson*

**RURAL CHURCH BUILDINGS CONFERENCE** on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** from 10am to 5pm at Pleshey Diocesan Retreat House. See poster at the back of St Mary's, SW and for further information, contact [gdowling@chelmsford.anglican.org](mailto:gdowling@chelmsford.anglican.org)

**JENNY TOMLINSON'S** installation as Archdeacon of Birmingham will take place in Birmingham Cathedral on **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May** at 3.30pm. A coach will depart from Swan Meadow Car Park at 11.45am, returning back to Saffron Walden by approx. 8.40pm. Coach tickets, £15, and more information are available from Dawn in the Parish Office.

**DAVID IS ON SABBATICAL** from May to July, and his first Sunday back is 4<sup>th</sup> August. Do hold Jenny (and David) in your prayers.

**DAVID'S BOOK** Thank you to those who came to the Book Launch on Tuesday. I am happy to sell and sign my book after church **today** and, over coffee, on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** from 9.45 to 11.15am at 29 Saxon Way. Thank you. *David*

**TEAM JC** To keep it going, two/three extra volunteers are needed. If you can offer a Sunday every half-term or more, then do speak to Matt. Thank you. *David*

The Team is planning another **WEEKEND AWAY** in summer 2020; please send testimonies from the 2018 weekend to [rd.spencer@virgin.net](mailto:rd.spencer@virgin.net). *Richard Spencer*

**TWAM (Tools With A Mission)** are a Christian charity who repurpose all sorts of tools, machinery, fabrics etc. for ongoing use mainly in Africa. They are used to enable local people to set up small businesses and become self-supporting of their families. A list of what is needed is in St Mary's Parish Office. I am happy to collect and store prior to transportation to the main charity warehouse. Please let me know if you might be able to help. *Sue Birchall* 521297 [sbirchall29@gmail.com](mailto:sbirchall29@gmail.com)

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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Revd John Saxon 01799 541619

## NOTICES

514 Thou, whose almighty word

204 He is Lord, he is Lord

52 Be still and know that I am God

327 Majesty, worship his majesty

467 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

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

We will hold All Saints' Church's **Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) on 26<sup>th</sup> March** at 7:30pm in the Parish Rooms. We will have a number of vacancies for members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) please consider prayerfully whether you could serve our church and community in this role. Please speak to Robin, Barbara or Richard for more information.

Do join us at 9:30am on **31<sup>st</sup> March** at All Saints' for an Ashdon joint **Mothering Sunday** service with the members of Ashdon Baptist Church, when Gavin will be speaking – activities for children and gifts for all the ladies.

The PCC has been considering the possibility of setting up a 'Home Team' to lead worship on occasional Sundays. If you are interested in being part of this, please speak to Richard or Robin.

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.

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

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

We will be supporting the charity **Water Aid** during Lent. Please see the poster in church. They are asking us to save up our loose change.

The **wedding of Mark Collins** (grandson of Michael Swan) and **Megan Sutherland** will be in church at 1:30pm on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April. We have full compliment of bell-ringers; it would be good to add a few more voices to the choir. We will be singing 3 well-known hymns. Please speak to Richard or Helen.