



The Society

under the patronage of Saint Wilfrid and Saint Hilda

Both Churches are under the Episcopal Care of the Bishop of Richborough;

And are served by a Priest of the Society of the Holy Cross. 

II PER ANNUM (3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

9:15 – Solemn Mass – Ordinary Form/Extraordinary Responses (Missa Simplicior / Credo vi) S Mary's Pro Populo

11:15 – Solemn Mass – Ordinary Form (K:xi; Gl:x; S&B:Pro Defunctis; A:xiv / Credo iii) S Saviour's Pro Populo

Weekday Masses:

Sat S Agnes 10:30am Low Mass S Saviour's Victims of Abuse

Confessions may be heard after any Low Mass, or by Appointment.

Masses for both churches are live-streamed on the facebook page: facebook st mary the virgin sundon.

Welcome to S Mary's and S Saviour's: There will as usual be tea and coffee after Mass today, and we do hope you will be able to stay.

RIP: Pam Sampson: Pam who has been a very faithful member of S Saviour's died peacefully at home on December 28th. **Pam's funeral will be at Luton Crematorium on Tuesday 24th January at 10:00am. There will be a Requiem Mass for Pam at S Saviour's at 12 noon on Friday 27th January.** Our love and prayers are with all the family. Jesu mercy; Mary pray.

RIP: Frank Crawford: Frank who has been a very important part of life in Upper Sundon Village and who has been held in very great affection by all of us here at S Mary's died over the new year. **Frank's funeral will be at S Mary's at 1:30pm on Tuesday 31st January.** Our love and prayers are with all the family. Jesu mercy, Mary pray.

Many thanks to all those who have helped to decorate our churches: Many thanks to everyone who has helped again this year with the decorating of the churches for Christmas. Although most of us will now have taken our trees and decorations down in our homes the decorations in church remain in place until the feast of Candlemass.

The Epiphany: Many thanks – and well done – to all those who came along on Friday at 12 noon at S Mary's for the Epiphany Mass. It was good to see a good number of us and to enjoy a glass of sherry and a mince pie afterwards. There is still plenty of chalk left for those who would like to take some.

Many thanks also for all the cards and gifts: for Fr Yenda's birthday last week! It is much appreciated, people have been immensely kind and as always Fr Yenda is very touched!

S Mary's Roof: Scaffolding is now inside S Mary's so there will for the time being be no Low Masses in the week at S Mary's. It is good to have things in progress for the new STEEL roof, which hopefully thieves will realise is not worth stealing!! Thanks to all those who have helped with this over the past weeks and months.

Massive congratulations to Elroy: He is being entertained to the Cohesion Awards Ceremony by Bedfordshire Police for his services to Table Tennis. This is a wonderful recognition of his hard work in the local community. Very well done indeed!

S Saviour's Gates: the gates at the back of church are now in place and we now await the front gates.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,
and shall sing to you,
shall sing to your name, O Most High!*

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,
who govern all things,
both in heaven and on earth,
mercifully hear the pleading of your people
and bestow your peace on our times.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Isaiah 49:3. 5-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The Lord said to me, "You are my servant, Israel,
in whom I shall be glorified";
I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord,
my God was my strength.
And now the Lord has spoken,
he who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
to gather Israel to him:

"It is not enough for you to be my servant,
to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel;
I will make you the light of the nations
so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 39

RESPONSE: Here I am, Lord!

I come to do your will.

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God. **R.**
2. You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here am I. **R.**
3. In the scroll of the book it stands written
that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart. **R.**
4. Your justice I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O Lord. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother
Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the
holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place
among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus
Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessings on the King who comes,
in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven
and glory in the highest heavens!
Alleluia!

Or

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Word was made flesh and lived among us;
to all who did accept him
he gave power to become children of God.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 1:29-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, "Look, there is the
lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I
spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before
me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and
yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water."
John also declared, "I saw the Spirit coming down on him from
heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself,
but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, 'The man
on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is
going to baptise with the Holy Spirit.' Yes, I have seen and I am the
witness that he is the Chosen One of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, O Lord, we pray,
that we may participate worthily in these mysteries,
for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice is celebrated
the work of our redemption is accomplished.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*You have prepared a table before me,
and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.*

Or

*We have come to know and to believe
in the love that God has for us.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pour on us, O Lord, the Spirit of your love,
and in your kindness
make those you have nourished
by this one heavenly Bread
one in mind and heart.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**