

S MARY THE VIRGIN, SUNDON

&

S SAVIOUR, LUTON



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. ✠

VII PER ANNUM (7TH 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

THIS SUNDAY:

9:15 – LOW MASS – S MARY'S

11:15 – LAUDS (morning prayer) – S SAVIOURS

Weekday Masses etc:

WED	ASH WEDNESDAY	10:30	Low Mass with Ashing	S Saviour's	Pro Populo
		12:00 noon	SOLEMN MASS WITH ASHING	S Mary's	Pro Populo
Fri		(12:30)	Funeral	S Mary's	
Sat	Sat after Ash Wed	10:30am	Low Mass	S Mary's	Lenten Observances

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: At S Mary's today we welcome Fr Diego Galanzino. Fr Galanzino will say a Low Mass today as he will need to be able to return to All Saints Houghton Regis for their Solemn Mass. It is good to have him with us again. Many thanks!

At S Saviour's today Laurence will read Lauds – many thanks to him for doing that. Normal service (!) will return next Sunday! There will as usual be tea and coffee after Mass today, and we do hope you will be able to stay.

S. Mary's PCC: will meet at the Vicarage at 2:30pm on Friday 24th February.

The Mardi Gras: or the 'Shrove Tuesday Knees up!' will be at S Mary's Church Hall on Ashwell Avenue on Tuesday 21st February.

Ash Wednesday: will be THIS Wednesday 22nd February. There will be Mass with Imposition of Ashes at 10:30am at S Saviour's, and Solemn Mass with Imposition of Ashes at 12 noon at S Mary's.

S Mary's Lent Lunches: If anyone would like to host a Lent Lunch this year please let us know: it is simply soup, bread and possibly a little cheese...it is not a Savoy Grill brunch, in case anyone is worried!

Bags for Schools: will be collected in mid-April. Please deliver your suitable items (no bric-a-brac, uniforms, bedding etc) to the vicarage over the next few months. Many thanks!

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. Thanks to all those who have helped with this over the past weeks and months. Please take extra care whilst the scaffolding is up: for the time being Holy Communion will be brought to the nave rather than distributed at the altar rail.

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

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*O Lord, I trust in your merciful love.
My heart will rejoice in your salvation.
I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.*

COLLECT

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that, always pondering spiritual things,
we may carry out in both word and deed
that which is pleasing to you.
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 Leviticus 19:1-2. 17-18

A reading from the book of Leviticus.
The Lord spoke to Moses; he said: "Speak to the whole community of the sons of Israel and say to them: 'Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy.
"You must not bear hatred for your brother in your heart. You must openly tell him, your neighbour, of his offence; this way you will not take a sin upon yourself. You must not exact vengeance, nor must you bear a grudge against the children of your people. You must love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord.'"

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 102

RESPONSE: *The Lord is compassion and love.*

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **R.**
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. **R.**
3. The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
He does not treat us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our faults. **R.**
4. As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins.
As a father has compassion on his sons,
the Lord has pity on those who fear him. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.
Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

Make no mistake about it: if any one of you thinks of himself as wise, in the ordinary sense of the word, then he must learn to be a fool before he really can be wise. Why? Because the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God. As scripture says: The Lord knows wise men's thoughts: he knows how useless they are; or again: God is not convinced by the arguments of the wise. So there is nothing to boast about in anything human: Paul, Apollos, Cephas, the world, life and death, the present and the future, are all your servants; but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia!
If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him.
Alleluia!*

Or

*Alleluia, alleluia!
When anyone obeys what Christ has said,
God's love comes to perfection in him.
Alleluia!*

GOSPEL Matthew 5:38-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Jesus said to his disciples: "You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away.
"You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you love those who love you, what right have you to claim any credit? Even the tax collectors do as much, do they not? And if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not? You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect."

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

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

As we celebrate your mysteries, O Lord,
with the observance that is your due,
we humbly ask you,
that what we offer to the honour of your majesty
may profit us for salvation.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*I will recount all your wonders,
I will rejoice in you and be glad,
and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.*

Or

*Lord, I have come to believe that you are the Christ,
the Son of the living God, who is coming into this world.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that we may experience the effects of the salvation
which is pledged to us by these mysteries.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.