

Sunday 14th May 2023

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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. ✠

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

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 The Ascension (tr.) 12:00 noon Solemn Choral Mass S Saviour's Pro Populo.

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: Welcome to S Mary's and S Saviour's. There will as always be tea and coffee after Parish Mass in both churches, and we hope you will be able to stay.

RIP John Copley: It was good to see a packed church for John's funeral this week. Our love and prayers remain with all the family. Jesu, Mercy: Mary, Pray.

S Saviour's Feast of Title: The Feast of Title at S Saviour's will be celebrated this **Saturday, 20th May at 12 noon.** There will be a choir to sing the Mass Setting which will include the Mass of Flor Peeters, Missa de Angelis and Credo iii. I very much hope we shall all be able to come along on S Saviour's Feast day! There will of course be refreshments afterwards.

The Annual General Meetings: will follow the Solemn Mass at both churches today. As per usual there will be no homily that morning to enable Fr Yenda to complete the meeting at S Mary's before going on to S Saviour's.

The Shambles: Many thanks to those who helped with the concert last week and those who came along. It was a lovely evening and great to have The Shambles back with us after the lockdown. We raised £118 which was a superb result. Many thanks one and all!

PCC: Both churches will need to schedule a meeting soon after the AGMs.

Friends of S Mary's: will also need to arrange a meeting during the day at some point.

Coffee Morning: Thank you to those who organised the coffee morning this week and those who came along. The next coffee morning will be on the last Friday in May at S Mary's.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.*

COLLECT

Grant, almighty God,
that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy,
which we keep in honour of the risen Lord,
and that what we relive in remembrance
we may always hold to in what we do.
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 Acts 8:5-8. 14-17

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 65

RESPONSE: Cry out with joy to God all the earth.

Or *Alleluia!*

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: "How tremendous your deeds!" **R.**
2. "Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!"
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. **R.**
3. He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. **R.**
4. Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Peter 3:15-18

A reading from the first letter of St Peter.

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

GOSPEL John 14:15-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to his disciples:

"If you love me you will keep my commandments.
I shall ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate
to be with you for ever,
that Spirit of truth
whom the world can never receive
since it neither sees nor knows him;
but you know him,
because he is with you, he is in you.
I will not leave you orphans;
I will come back to you.
In a short time the world will no longer see me;
but you will see me,
because I live and you will live.
On that day
you will understand that I am in my Father
and you in me and I in you.
Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them
will be one who loves me;
and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father,
and I shall love him and show myself to him."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord,
together with the sacrificial offerings,
so that, purified by your graciousness,
we may be conformed to the mysteries of your mighty love.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,
and I will ask the Father and he will send you another
Paraclete,
to abide with you for ever, alleluia.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty ever-living God,
who restore us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ,
increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this paschal Sacrament
and pour into our hearts the strength of this saving food.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.