

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August 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. ✙

## TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

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

TODAY:

9:15 – Lauds (Morning Prayer)

11:15 – Lauds (Morning Prayer)

### Weekday Masses

Wed	S Teresa Benedicta	10:30am	Low Mass	S Saviour's	Home Communicants
Sat	S Jane Frances de Chantal	10:30am	Low Mass	S Saviour's	The Elderly

**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.

**Many thanks:** to James at S Mary's and Laurence at S Saviour's for reading Lauds this morning.

**The Friends of S Mary's upcoming events:** Many thanks to the Friends of S Mary's for their most productive meeting recently. Here are up coming dates:

Saturday August 19<sup>th</sup> Patronal Festival (Choral Solemn Mass) – S Mary's at **11:30am**. – Preacher: Fr A Burton

Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup> – Quiz Night – Ashwell Avenue Hall

Saturday November 25<sup>th</sup> – Christmass Fayre – Ashwell Avenue Hall

**The Vicarage Afternoon Tea:** Many thanks to everyone who came along and who helped with the Afternoon Tea at the Vicarage garden. It was a lovely afternoon and everyone pulled together and worked incredibly hard, so many thanks to everyone. The kitchen was a hive of activity and the weather stayed fine! £254.30 was raised which is an excellent end to a lovely afternoon. The Strawberry Tea resumes as from next year, but there may be a vicarage afternoon tea again at some point later in the year.

**S Mary's Patronal Festival:** The Assumption of Our Lady will be celebrated on Saturday August 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am. This will be a Choral Mass with choir. The Preacher will be Fr Andrew Burton, Vicar of S Peter, Bushey Heath.

**Coffee Morning:** The next one will be the last Friday in August (holidays permitting of course), at S Mary's.

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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

*In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared.  
The Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved Son,  
with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him.*

**COLLECT**

O God, who in the glorious Transfiguration  
of your Only Begotten Son  
confirmed the mysteries of faith by the witness of the Fathers  
and wonderfully prefigured our full adoption to sonship,  
grant, we pray, to your servants,  
that, listening to the voice of your beloved Son,  
we may merit to become coheirs with him.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.  
*Amen.*

**FIRST READING** Daniel 7:9-10. 13-14

A reading from the book of Daniel.

As I watched:

Thrones were set in place  
and one of great age took his seat.  
His robe was white as snow,  
the hair of his head as pure as wool.  
His throne was a blaze of flames,  
its wheels were a burning fire.  
A stream of fire poured out,  
issuing from his presence.  
A thousand thousand waited on him,  
ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.  
A court was held and the books were opened.  
I gazed into the visions of the night.  
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,  
one like a son of man.  
He came to the one of great age  
and was led into his presence.  
On him was conferred sovereignty,  
glory and kingship,  
and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his  
servants.  
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty  
which shall never pass away,  
nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**PSALM** Psalm 96

**RESPONSE:** *The Lord is king,  
most high above all the earth.*

1. The Lord is king, let earth rejoice,  
let all the coastlands be glad.  
Cloud and darkness are his raiment;  
his throne, justice and right. **R.**
2. The mountains melt like wax  
before the Lord of all the earth.  
The skies proclaim his justice;  
all peoples see his glory. **R.**
3. For you indeed are the Lord  
most high above all the earth  
exalted far above all spirits. **R.**

**SECOND READING** 2 Peter 1:16-19

A reading from the second letter of St Peter.

It was not any cleverly invented myths that we were repeating  
when we brought you the knowledge of the power and the coming  
of our Lord Jesus Christ; we had seen his majesty for ourselves.  
He was honoured and glorified by God the Father, when the  
Sublime Glory itself spoke to him and said, "This is my Son, the  
Beloved; he enjoys my favour." We heard this ourselves, spoken  
from heaven, when we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have confirmation of what was said in prophecies; and  
you will be right to depend on prophecy and take it as a lamp  
for lighting a way through the dark until the dawn comes and the  
morning star rises in your minds.

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!  
This is my Son, the Beloved,  
he enjoys my favour;  
listen to him.  
Alleluia!*

**GOSPEL** Matthew 17:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led  
them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their  
presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his  
clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah  
appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke  
to Jesus. "Lord," he said, "it is wonderful for us to be here; if you  
wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and  
one for Elijah." He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud  
covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice  
which said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour.  
Listen to him." When they heard this, the disciples fell on their  
faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them.  
"Stand up," he said, "do not be afraid." And when they raised their  
eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this  
order, "Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen  
from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Sanctify, O Lord, we pray,  
these offerings here made to celebrate  
the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son,  
and by his radiant splendour  
cleanse us from the stains of sin.

*Amen.*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

*When Christ appears, we shall be like him,  
for we shall see him as he is.*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

May the heavenly nourishment we have received,  
O Lord, we pray,  
transform us into the likeness of your Son,  
whose radiant splendour you willed to make manifest  
in his glorious Transfiguration.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

*Amen.*