S MARY THE VIRGIN, SUNDON

&

S SAVIOUR, LUTON



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. 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

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

Tue	Of Requiem	10:30am	Requiem Mass	S Mary's	RIP Jan Smejkal
Wed	Of Requiem	10:30	Requiem Mass	S Saviour's	RIP Mavis Bloxam-Rose
Fri	Nativity Of the BVM	11:00am	Low Mass	S Mary's	RIP HM the late Queen
Sat	S Peter Claver	10:30	Low Mass	S Saviour's	The Sick

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 Elroy and his helpers who have done a marvellous job clearing the weeds etc at the front and side of the Church Hall at S Saviour's.

Many Thanks: to James and his team of helpers at S Mary's who are currently doing an amazing job of cleaning up all around church. The floor at S Mary's has now been treated and looks wonderful!

RIP: Jan Smejkal: Father Yenda's father died recently. Many thanks indeed for all the cards and kind wishes which have been received, it is most kind! This Tuesday at 10:30 there will be a Requiem Mass for Jan at S Mary's – I do hope some of us will be able to pop along for that.

RIP: HM The Late Queen Elizabeth ii: Friday of this week is the Feast of Our Lady's Birthday. It is also the first anniversary of the death of our dear late Queen. There will be a Low Mass at S Mary's at I lam that day which will be a Mass of Our Lady offered for the repose of the soul of our dear late Queen.

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

Saturday November 4th – Quiz Night – Ashwell Avenue Hall

Saturday November 25th - Christmass Fayre - Ashwell Avenue Hall

Coffee Morning: The next one will be the last Friday Friday in September at S Mary's at 10:30am.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

COLLECT

God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, you may nurture in us what is good and, by your watchful care, keep safe what you have nurtured. 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 Jeremiah 20:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger. I am a daily laughing-stock, everybody's butt. Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: "Violence and ruin!"

The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long. I used to say, "I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more." Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones. The effort to restrain it wearied me,

I could not bear it.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 62

RESPONSE: For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

- 1. O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. R.
- 2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. R.
- 3. So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. R.
- 4. For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. R.

SECOND READING Romans 12:1-2

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your

behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 16:21-27

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. "Heaven preserve you, Lord," he said. "This must not happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's."

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

"For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour."

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

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this sacred offering, O Lord, confer on us always the blessing of salvation, that what it celebrates in mystery it may accomplish in power. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

Or

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Renewed by this bread from the heavenly table, we beseech you, Lord, that, being the food of charity, it may confirm our hearts and stir us to serve you in our neighbour. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

