

Sunday 21st January 2024

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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. 

3RD SUNDAY PER ANNUM

9:15 Solemn Mass

Ordinary Form/Extraordinary Responses (Missa Simplicior /Credo vi)

S Mary's

ProPopulo

11:15 Solemn Mass

Ordinary Form K:xi; (Gloria Gl:x; S&B:xviii; A:xviii / Credo iii)

S Saviour's

Pro Populo

Mon S Vincent

10:30am

Low Mass

S Saviour's

Church Officers

Tue Feria

12:00noon

Low Mass

S Mary's

Those affected by inclement weather

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 both Solemn Masses and we hope you will be able to stay.

A massive thanks: from Fr Yenda for all the wonderful cards and presents for Christmass this year and also the birthday cards, presents and wishes – It is extremely kind, and very touching! Many thanks indeed!

Visit from the Bishop of Bedford: The Bishop of Bedford will be visiting both churches to preach on **Sunday 11th February**. I very much hope that we will all make a great effort to be at church that day to give him a warm welcome.

Mardi Gras: The Mardi Gras – or 'Shrove Tuesday Kness Up!' will be on Tuesday 13th February in the Church Hall on Ashwell Avenue. There is a list at the back of S Mary's. If anyone from S Saviour's would like to come along you are most welcome too. There is a choice of fish and chips, chicken and chips or sausage and chips – please sign the list at the back of S Mary's or let Fr Yenda know if you are at S Saviour's.

Ash Wednesday: is the first day of Lent and a day when we should make every effort to attend church. As people now prefer to come to church during daylight hours I am proposing that we have one Mass at 10:30am and one Mass at 12 noon...there will be one Mass in each church and of course with Ashing. Once we ascertain which time best suits which church we can confirm venue to each time slot. If there are people who also want an evening Mass that can also be arranged.

Next Sunday: is the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*O sing a new song to the Lord;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
In his presence are majesty and splendour,
strength and honour in his holy place.*

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,
direct our actions according to your good pleasure,
that in the name of your beloved Son
we may abound in good works.
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 Jonah 3:1-5. 10

A reading from the prophet Jonah.

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: "Up!" he said "Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to." Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, "Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed." And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 24

RESPONSE: Lord, make me know your ways.

1. Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour. **R.**
2. Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.
In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**
3. The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
he guides the humble in the right path;
he teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

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

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those

who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

**The kingdom of God is close at hand;
believe the Good News.**

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 1:14-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. "The time has come" he said "and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News."

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men." And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept our offerings, O Lord, we pray,
and in sanctifying them
grant that they may profit us for salvation.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**Look toward the Lord and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.**

Or

**I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that, receiving the grace
by which you bring us to new life,
we may always glory in your gift.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.