

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2024

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**S MARY THE VIRGIN, SUNDON**

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**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. 

## 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

### 9:15 Solemn Mass – S Mary's

Ordinary Form/Extraordinary Responses (Missa Simplicior /Credo vi) S Mary's ProPopulo

### 11:15 Solemn Mass – S Saviour's

Ordinary Form (K: xvi; Credo: iii; S & B: xviii; A: xviii) S Saviour's Pro Populo

Wed	S Peter Damian	10:30am	Low Mass	S Saviour's	Home Communicants
Sat	Of Our Lady	10:30am	Low Mass	S Saviour's	The Shrine at Walsingham

**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:** There will as always be tea and coffee after both Solemn Masses and we hope you will be able to stay.

**Today is the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent:** We welcome Fr Diego Galanzino to sing the parish mass at S Mary's, and Fr Digby Anderson to sing the parish mass at S Saviour's. It is good to have them with us, and many thanks for doing duty for Fr Yenda this week.

**In Lent:** We omit the Gloria.

**Mardi Gras:** Many thanks to all those who came along and all those who helped with the Mardi Gras last week. It was a lovely evening, and we raised £76 on the raffle (I hope I have got that correct!).

**The Bishop of Bedford:** very much enjoyed his visit to both churches last week. He sent an email, amongst which he says: "it was a blessing to meet everyone. Please pass on my thanks for all that they are doing to maintain mission and ministry in both Sundon and St Saviour's. There were many encouragements including the wonderful presence of the choir at St Saviour's".

**Cheese and Wine Evening:** It is hoped that this year the Cheese and Wine Evening will take place on the evening of Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April at the Vicarage. Please let Fr Yenda know if are interested. It was quite successful last year. This is open to people from both S Mary's and S Saviour's.

**Next Sunday:** is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent.

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## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*When he calls on me, I will answer him;  
I will deliver him and give him glory,  
I will grant him length of days.*

## COLLECT

Grant, almighty God,  
through the yearly observances of holy Lent,  
that we may grow in understanding  
of the riches hidden in Christ  
and by worthy conduct pursue their effects.  
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 Genesis 9:8-15

A reading from the book of Genesis.

God spoke to Noah and his sons, "See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again."

God said, "Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM Psalm 24

**RESPONSE:** *Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love  
for those who keep your covenant.*

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 Peter 3:18-22

A reading from the first letter of St Peter.

Christ himself, innocent though he was, 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, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people "by water", and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!  
Man does not live on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.  
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!*

## GOSPEL Mark 1:12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Give us the right dispositions, O Lord, we pray,  
to make these offerings,  
for with them we celebrate the beginning  
of this venerable and sacred time.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes forth from the mouth  
of God.*

Or

*The Lord will conceal you with his pinions,  
and under his wings you will trust.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Renewed now with heavenly bread,  
by which faith is nourished, hope increased,  
and charity strengthened,  
we pray, O Lord,  
that we may learn to hunger for Christ,  
the true and living Bread,  
and strive to live by every word  
which proceeds from your mouth.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**