

Sunday 12th May 2024

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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. ✝

7TH SUNDAY IN EASTERTIDE

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; Gl: x; Credo: iii; S & B: xviii; A: xviii) S Saviour's Pro Populo

This week at S Mary's and S Saviour's

Tue	S Matthias	(10:00am	Low Mass	Holy Cross)	Home Communicants
Wed	Feria	(10:00am	Low Mass	S Thomas HR)	The Elderly
Sat	S John I	10:00am	Low Mass	S Saviour's	The Bereaved

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 at S Saviour's: there will be a Low Mass as Laurence is away this week.

Welcome to those having their banns read at S Mary's: Darren Lewis GALBRAITH, b, HC, MF & Denise Josephine BARRY, s, SMS.

Sunday 26th May – S Saviour's: There are going to be significant road closures in Luton that Sunday with the Radio 1 event at Stockwood Park. Given that S Saviours Crescent, Russell Street and innumerable other streets are being closed that weekend, I see no option other than to cancel the Solemn Mass on Sunday 26th May. I apologise for this, but I don't see any alternative.

However: There are still opportunities to attend Mass that day! Fr Yenda will be singing Mass at Sundon at 9:15 as per usual, and also at Holy Cross Marsh Farm at 11am – and Fr Norwood will of course be delighted to welcome anyone who wishes to join them at S Martin's Bedford at 10:30am. I do hope that all those with transport will be at one of those masses that day.

Coffee Morning: Thank you to those who came along and helped with the coffee morning recently – the next coffee morning will be on Friday 31st May.

The Feast of Title at S Saviour's: Many thanks to all those who came along yesterday and helped with the Feast Day at S Saviours. Especially a colossal thank you to Laurence for the bringing the choir and for the exceptional music.

The Shambles Band Concert: Many thanks to those who came along and supported the Shambles Concert last week and all those who helped. It was a wonderful evening as always. Many thanks!.

The Summer Fete: will take place at S Mary's Hall on Ashwell Avenue on Saturday 15th June from 1pm.

The Strawberry Tea: The Strawberry Tea will be on Sunday 14th July – We look to another lovely afternoon which has been running from 1996!! Many thanks again to Sue for organising this again.

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Please take this newssheet away with you!

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you;
of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face;
hide not your face from me, alleluia.*

COLLECT

Graciously hear our supplications, O Lord,
so that we, who believe that the Saviour of the human race
is with you in your glory,
may experience, as he promised,
until the end of the world,
his abiding presence among us.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 1:15-17. 20-26

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

One day Peter stood up to speak to the brothers – there were about a hundred and twenty persons in the congregation: “Brothers, the passage of scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit, speaking through David, foretells the fate of Judas, who offered himself as a guide to the men who arrested Jesus – after having been one of our number and actually sharing this ministry of ours.
“In the Book of Psalms it says:

Let someone else take his office.

“We must therefore choose someone who has been with us the whole time that the Lord Jesus was travelling round with us, someone who was with us right from the time when John was baptising until the day when he was taken up from us – and he can act with us as a witness to his resurrection.”

Having nominated two candidates, Joseph known as Barsabbas, whose surname was Justus, and Matthias, they prayed, “Lord, you can read everyone’s heart; show us therefore which of these two you have chosen to take over this ministry and apostolate, which Judas abandoned to go to his proper place.” They then drew lots for them, and as the lot fell to Matthias, he was listed as one of the twelve apostles.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 102

RESPONSE: *The Lord has set his sway in heaven.*

Or *Alleluia!*

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **R.**
2. For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins. **R.**
3. The Lord has set his sway in heaven
and his kingdom is ruling over all.
Give thanks to the Lord, all his angels,
mighty in power, fulfilling his word. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 John 4:11-16

A reading from the first letter of St John.

My dear people,
since God has loved us so much,
we too should love one another.
No one has ever seen God;
but as long as we love one another
God will live in us
and his love will be complete in us.
We can know that we are living in him
and he is living in us

because he lets us share his Spirit.

We ourselves saw and we testify
that the Father sent his Son
as saviour of the world.
If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God,
God lives in him, and he in God.
We ourselves have known and put our faith in
God’s love towards ourselves.
God is love
and anyone who lives in love lives in God,
and God lives in him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

*I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord;
I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.
Alleluia!*

GOSPEL John 17:11-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:

“Holy Father,
keep those you have given me true to your name,
so that they may be one like us.
While I was with them,
I kept those you had given me true to your name.
I have watched over them and not one is lost
except the one who chose to be lost,
and this was to fulfil the scriptures.
But now I am coming to you
and while still in the world I say these things
to share my joy with them to the full.
I passed your word on to them,
and the world hated them,
because they belong to the world
no more than I belong to the world.
I am not asking you to remove them from the world,
but to protect them from the evil one.
They do not belong to the world
any more than I belong to the world.
Consecrate them in the truth;
your word is truth.
As you sent me into the world,
I have sent them into the world,
and for their sake I consecrate myself
so that they too may be consecrated in truth.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful
with the sacrificial offerings,
that through these acts of devotedness
we may pass over to the glory of heaven.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Father, I pray that they may be one
as we also are one, alleluia.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Hear us, O God our Saviour,
and grant us confidence,
that through these sacred mysteries
there will be accomplished in the body of the whole Church
what has already come to pass in Christ her Head.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.