

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. 

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:15 Asperges And Solemn Mass – S Mary's

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

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

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.

At S Mary's today: we welcome Alex to play the organ for us giving Bryan a well deserved rest after his recent trip south. As Alex doesn't yet have the Mass setting under his fingers, we shall sing the Mass setting unaccompanied. However, we will today have the Asperges, which in the new rite take place after the intonation hymn, and form the penitential rite. Many thanks to him for helping out today.

Churchyards at S Mary's: I am receiving regular telephone calls from people concerning the grounds. I am immensely thankful to those help with this and I know there are many who do. In the new churchyard the cremation section is problematic because there are so many curbs that it is impossible to get a mower any where near.

Coffee Morning: The next one will be at the end of June – many thanks to those who organise and help with this.

The Summer Fete: Many thanks to all those who came along and helped with and supported the Summer Fete yesterday. People worked extremely hard as always – many thanks indeed!

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.

Church Officers: Many thanks to those who are our Church Officers for this year:

S Mary's Wardens: James Hooper & Linda Billington. Treasurer: Pat White. Secretary: Jayne Tasker.

S Saviour's Wardens: Laurence Notley & Elroy Edwards. Treasurer: Eric Clovis. Sec: Laurence Notley.

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Please take this newsheet away with you!

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help.
Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!*

COLLECT

O God, strength of those who hope in you,
graciously hear our pleas,
and, since without you mortal frailty can do nothing,
grant us always the help of your grace,
that in following your commands
we may please you by our resolve and our deeds.
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 Ezekiel 17:22-24

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

The Lord says this:

“From the top of the cedar,
from the highest branch I will take a shoot
and plant it myself on a very high mountain.
I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel.
It will sprout branches and bear fruit,
and become a noble cedar.
Every kind of bird will live beneath it,
every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches.
And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one
who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow,
who withers green trees and makes the withered green.
I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 91

RESPONSE: It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord
to make music to your name, O Most High,
to proclaim your love in the morning
and your truth in the watches of the night. **R.**
2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **R.**
3. Planted in the house of the Lord
they will flourish in the courts of our God,
still bearing fruit when they are old,
still full of sap, still green,
to proclaim that the Lord is just.
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. **R.**

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

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

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live
in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do
by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and
actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home
with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from
it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be
brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what
he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
*I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!*

Or

Alleluia, alleluia!
*The seed is the word of God, Christ the sower;
whoever finds the seed will remain for ever.
Alleluia!*

GOSPEL Mark 4:26-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Jesus said to the crowds: “This is what the kingdom of God is
like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he
sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing;
how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first
the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when
the crop is ready, he loses no time: he starts to reap because the
harvest has come.”

He also said, “What can we say the kingdom of God is like?
What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which
at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds
on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of
them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can
shelter in its shade.”

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so
far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak
to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his
disciples when they were alone.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who in the offerings presented here
provide for the twofold needs of human nature,
nourishing us with food
and renewing us with your Sacrament,
grant, we pray,
that the sustenance they provide
may not fail us in body or in spirit.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek:
to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.*

Or

*Holy Father, keep in your name those you have given me,
that they may be one as we are one, says the Lord.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As this reception of your Holy Communion, O Lord,
foreshadows the union of the faithful in you,
so may it bring about unity in your Church.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.