# Sunday 20th July 2025



No. 1133 / 664.

# S MARY THE VIRGIN, SUNDON & S SAVIOUR, LUTON

Both Churches are under the Episcopal Care of the Bishop of Richborough; The Rt Revd. Luke Irvine-Capel, SSC.

And are served by a Priest of the Society of the Holy Cross.



## XVI PER ANNUM

9:15 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; Gloria: x; Credo: iii; S & B: xviii; A: xviii;)

S Saviour's Pro Populo.

At 4:00pm today Fr Yenda will also sing Mass at Holy

Cross, Marsh Farm.

# MIDWEEK MASSES (etc.) THIS WEEK:

Mon-S Lawrence of Brindisi,

10:30am—Low Mass—S Mary's

Intention: Schools commencing summer break.

Wed—S Bridget

10:30am—Low Mass—S Saviour's

Intention: People of Europe

Sat—Ss Joachim and Anne

10:30am—Low Mass—S Mary's

Intention: Adoptive and Foster Parents

Confessions may be heard after any Low Mass, or by Appointment.

# Welcome to S Mary's and S Saviour's.

There will as always be tea, coffee and refreshments at the back of both churches at the end of the Solemn Mass, and we do hope you will be able to stay.

<u>Today at S Saviour's:</u> the Mass will be a Low Mass as Laurence is away having a well deserved holiday!

## NOTICES FOR THE W/C 6th July 2025:

<u>Coffee Morning:</u> Many thanks to those who support and help with the coffee mornings. The next will be at the end of July.

Fr Yenda's 25th Anniversary! Thank you so much to everyone who made Fr Yenda's Silver Jubilee such a joyful and lovely occasion. Thank you for the superb buffet, the wonderful music, and for the myriads of cards and gifts—not least of all the splendid thurible which will mainly be used for festivals. Last week it made the trip safely up to South Shields for Fr Yenda's Silver Jubilee celebrations in the nort-east!

## S Mary's 100 Club:

The 100 club is up and running, but there are still numbers if anyone should like to join.

Sue's Strawberry Tea! What a wonderful afternoon we had last Sunday! Enormous thanks to Sue for putting it all together for the 29th year running! It was wonderful to welcome Bishop Luke who really enjoyed meeting everyone, and we enjoyed meeting him! On top of that enormous congratulations go to Sue Parrish who celebrated SIXTY years at S Mary's. The Strawberry Tea raised £700!! This is an incredible result. Extremely well done to everyone, and many thanks to everyone who came long, helped, supported and enjoyed themselves!

# PATRONAL FESTIVAL—Saturday August 16th

at 12 noon. This year the Patronal Festival at S Mary's is August 16th, when we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron of our parish. As always a great thanks to the Friends of S Mary's for their anticipated refreshments. Please help with voluntary contributions if you are able. Please mark the date!

## Coffee Rota at \$ Mary's:

Thank you to those who are on the list, and there are still opportunities for anyone who would like to join the rota.

Masses for both churches are live-streamed on the facebook page: facebook st mary the virgin sundon

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#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

See, I have God for my help.
The Lord sustains my soul.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

#### COLLECT

Show favour, O Lord, to your servants and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity, they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands. 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 18:1-10a

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

In those days: The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth and said, 'O Lord, if I have found favour in your sight, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on - since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.' And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, 'Quick! Three measures of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes.' And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. Then he took curds and milk, and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, 'Where is Sarah your wife?' And he said, 'She is in the tent.' The LORD said, 'I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Psalm 15(14):2-3a. 3b-4b. 5. R.1a

#### R: O LORD, who may abide in your tent?

- Whoever walks without fault; who does what is righteous, and speaks the truth from his heart; whoever does not slander with his tongue. R.
- Who does no wrong to a neighbour, who casts no slur on a friend, who looks with scorn on the wicked, but honours those who fear the LORD. R.
- Who lends no money at interest, and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
   Such a one shall never be shaken. R.

## **SECOND READING** Colossians 1:24-28

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians.

Brothers and sisters: Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body – that is, the Church, of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known – the mystery hidden for ages and generations, but now revealed to his saints.

To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL cf. Luke 8:15**

#### R: Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are those who hold fast to the word of God in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.

R: Alleluia.

#### **GOSPEL** Luke 10:38-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

At that time: Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me.' But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who in the one perfect sacrifice brought to completion varied offerings of the law, accept, we pray, this sacrifice from your faithful servants and make it holy, as you blessed the gifts of Abel, so that what each has offered to the honour of your majesty may benefit the salvation of all.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

Or

Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door to me, I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord, and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries to pass from former ways to newness of life. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



