

Sunday 3rd August 2025



No. 1134 / 665.

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. 

XVIII 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 4pm Fr Yenda will sing Mass at Holy Cross.

MIDWEEK MASSES (etc.) THIS WEEK :

Tue—Dedication Basilica S Mary Major

10:30am—Low Mass—S Mary's

Intention: Churches dedicated to S Mary..

Wed—The Transfiguration of the Lord

10:30am—Low Mass—S Saviour's

Intention: Situation in Israel and Gaza

Thurs—2:00pm Funeral of Jeanette Nagy

Sat—S Teresa Benedicta (S Edith Stein)

10:30am—Low Mass—S Mary's

Intention: Holocaust Remembrance.

1:30pm—Roman Catholic Grave Blessings

*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.

NOTICES FOR THE W/C 3rd August 2025 :

S Mary's PCC thank you to the PCC for their positive
meeting this week.

Coffee Morning: Many thanks to those who support
and help with the coffee mornings. The next will be at
the end of August.

S Mary's 100 Club:

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

Sue's Strawberry Tea! What a wonderful afternoon
we had! Enormous thanks to Sue for putting it all to-
gether for the 29th year running! It was wonderful to
welcome Bishop Luke who really enjoyed meeting eve-
ryone, and we enjoyed meeting him! On top of that
enormous congratulations go to Sue Parrish who cele-
brated 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 them-
selves!

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. The
preacher this year will be Fr Diego Galanzino whom we
all know very well. It will be good to welcome him back
amongst us again. 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 S 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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Please take this newsheet away with you!

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.*

COLLECT

Draw near to your servants, O Lord,
and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness,
that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide,
you may restore what you have created
and keep safe what you have restored.
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 Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

A reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes.

Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

Sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge
and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did
not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What has a man
from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the
sun? For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation.
Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 90 (89):3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14, 17. R.1

**R: O Lord, you have been our refuge,
from generation to generation.**

1. You turn man back to dust,
and say, 'Return, O children of Adam.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
or like a watch in the night. **R.**
2. You sweep them away like a dream,
like grass which is fresh in the morning.
In the morning it sprouts and is fresh;
by evening it withers and fades. **R.**
3. Then teach us to number our days,
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Turn back, O LORD! How long?
Show pity to your servants. **R.**
4. At dawn, fill us with your merciful love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the LORD our God be upon us;
give success to the work of our hands.
O give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

SECOND READING Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

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

Brothers and sisters: If you have been raised with Christ, seek the
things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand
of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things
that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with

Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you
also will appear with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, what is
earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and
covetousness, which is idolatry. Do not lie to one another, seeing
that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on
the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image
of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and
uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all,
and in all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL Matthew 5:3

R: Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

R: Alleluia.

GOSPEL Luke 12:13-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

At that time: Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Teacher, tell my
brother to divide the inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Man,
who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them,
'Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's
life does not consist in the abundance of one's possessions.' And
he told them a parable, saying, 'The land of a rich man produced
plentifully, and he thought to himself, "What shall I do, for I have
nowhere to store my crops?" And he said, "I will do this: I will tear
down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my
grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample
goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry."'" But God
said to him, "Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the
things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So is the one who
lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich towards God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Graciously sanctify these gifts, O Lord, we pray,
and, accepting the oblation of this spiritual sacrifice,
make of us an eternal offering to you.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.*

Or

*I am the bread of life, says the Lord;
whoever comes to me will not hunger
and whoever believes in me will not thirst.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Accompany with constant protection, O Lord,
those you renew with these heavenly gifts
and, in your never-failing care for them,
make them worthy of eternal redemption.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**