

*Our Benefice church family is welcoming and inclusive to all.  
We aim to reach and serve our communities and work lovingly in friendship and partnership. Together, we 'travel with' our Lord faithfully and sacramentally.*

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### FRIDAY 27<sup>th</sup>

**11.30** Communion at **Grove Court**

**19.00** Rehearsal for CTWA 'Songs of Praise.'

All singers welcome to join in. **St Mary's, Woodbridge**

### SATURDAY 28<sup>th</sup>

**09.00** Morning Prayer **via Zoom**

**12.00-15.00** Our Summer Fair, **St Mary's, Woodbridge**. Come and join us!

### SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> June (SS Peter and Paul)

**08.00** BCP Eucharist, **Woodbridge**

**10.00** Parish Eucharist, **Woodbridge**

**12.00** Woodbridge Regatta, commencing with CTWA 'Songs of Praise' led by Peter Wintgens, at **Whisstocks Place, Woodbridge**

### MONDAY 30<sup>th</sup>

**12.45-13.30** Farlingaye Lunchtime Concert, with light refreshments and a parting collection in support of the Friends, **St Mary's, Woodbridge**. All welcome!

### TUESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> July

**10.00 – 14.30** Poppy's Pantry, **SMH**

**17.00** Christian Meditation, **SMH**

**19.00** PCC Meeting, **SMH**, followed by drinks at The Rectory

**19.30** Bellringers' Practice

### WEDNESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup>

**10.00** Suffolk East Federation Women's Institute, **SMH**

**16.30** Woodbridge Community Choir concert, **St Mary's Woodbridge**. All

welcome. Retiring collection in aid of church funds.

**18.00** Friends' Committee Meeting, **Seckford Room**

### THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> (St Thomas, Apostle)

**10.00** Said Eucharist, **Woodbridge**

**13.30** Funeral for Angela Underhill, **St Mary's, Woodbridge**

**18.30** Choir rehearsal, **SMH**

### FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup>

**11.15** Woodbridge School Prep end of year service, **St Mary's, Woodbridge**

**15.00** Thanksgiving service for Andrew Rankin, **St Mary's, Woodbridge**

### SATURDAY 5<sup>th</sup>

**09.00** Morning Prayer **via Zoom**

**13.30** Wedding of Madeleine Alterman & Harry O'Riordan, **St Mary's, Woodbridge**

**19.00** Quiz night at **Great Bealings Village Hall**, with half proceeds in aid of St Mary's, Great Bealings. See details below to book your table.

### SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup>

**09.30** Parish Eucharist, **Gt Bealings**

**11.00** Parish Eucharist, **Woodbridge**

**15.00** Friends' concert, with Nick Marshall, **St Mary's Woodbridge** (see details below)

## NOTICES

**WOODBIDGE REGATTA ‘SONGS OF PRAISE’** – ‘Churches Together’ (CTWA) service at **12noon on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June**, at the start of the Regatta, in **Whisstocks Place**, led by Rev’d Peter Wintgens. Volunteer singers and musicians are required. **Please join in with the rehearsal on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm in St Mary’s, Woodbridge.**

**FORTHCOMING QUIZ NIGHT** in **Great Bealings Village Hall** on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm**. A licensed cash bar (with snacks) will be available, with all proceeds being split between East Anglian Air Ambulance and **St Mary’s, Great Bealings**. Teams of up to 6, at £5 each. Email [gallantsgarth@gmail.com](mailto:gallantsgarth@gmail.com) to book your table.

**FRIENDS’ CONCERT** – On **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm**, in **St Mary’s, Woodbridge**. With Nicholas Marshall (baritone) and Nadia Lasserson (piano), the concert will include the beautiful song cycle by Robert Schumann, *Dichterliebe* (A Poet’s Love) written in 1840. £10 payable on the door with all proceeds to the Friends of St Mary’s, who will be serving refreshments before the event.

**A SUMMER NIGHT’S ORGAN CONCERT** on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm**, at **St Mary’s, Woodbridge**, with our Director of Music, **James Davy**. Tickets £10 on the door (students free) and a donation bar will be available before and after the concert, all in aid of our Building Project Appeal. There will be no interval. All welcome!

**COME AND SING EVENSONG ON SEA SUNDAY** - There will be another opportunity to sing Evensong with an expanded choir to mark Sea Sunday on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July**. **Rehearsal from 2.30pm** with tea and cake; **Evensong** will be at **5.30pm** and all are welcome to attend. Contact James [directorofmusic@stmaryswoodbridge.org](mailto:directorofmusic@stmaryswoodbridge.org) to register.

**“CARE INTO ACTION”** - A morning of talks and workshops to support our mission for the environment, on **Saturday 5 July, from 9.15am to 1pm** at **Salvation Army Hall, 3 Violet Hill Road, Stowmarket IP14 1NE**. “Do you want to explore how your church could move forward with its mission for the environment and climate justice? Do you need to find out how your church could benefit by addressing environment issues? Wherever you are with your mission to care for God’s creation, the “Care into Action” conference is for you.” Book here: <https://insight.cofesuffolk.org/courses-events-and-resources/care-into-action/> Have a word with Rita if you would like to come along.

**BENEFICE QUIET DAY** – Fr Nigel has booked Rev’d Canon Sharron Coburn, Director of Mission and Ministry in the Diocese, to lead us on **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August** in **Great Bealings**. Please have a word with Fr Nigel if you would like a particular ‘theme’ for the day. We will definitely build in more ‘Quiet’ than last year!

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING** – “Thank you to the many volunteers at St Mary's who have done their Basic Awareness or Foundation and their Domestic Abuse Training on-line. I appreciate these all take up a bit of time. Many of you will have done this training in the autumn of 2022 or early 2023 and we all have to renew our training every three years, so I will be writing to all volunteers about this to remind you to re-do your training as the third anniversary of your training comes up.

For those of you who did training in 2022, there are **face to face training** sessions coming up at **All Saints Church, Kesgrave, IP5 1AA** as follows. You may wish to book yourself into one of these courses by going to <https://insight.cofesuffolk.org>

- Foundation - **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2pm - 4.30pm**
- Leadership - **Tuesdays 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> September 2pm - 4pm**
- Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse - **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October 1pm - 5pm**

Please call me if you have any questions.” *Jeremy Hawksley, Safeguarding Officer* Tel: 07771 758971. Further details are posted on our posh new noticeboard at the west end of St Mary's, Woodbridge.

**AFTERNOON OF BELLRINGING** – Thank you to our home team who raised £157.30 for our Building Project Appeal last weekend. The added bonus was the possibility of three or four new ringers wanting to be ‘initiated’ here at St Mary's, Woodbridge in the art of campanology.

**TOILET TWINNING ‘HANGINGS’** – Thanks to David Berridge for hanging four certificates in each of our three toilets in St Mary's House, each of them from a different country. They will move around from time to time!

**SUMMER FAIR ‘STOP PRESS’!** – We are still seeking plants and cakes to be brought along on the day – **THIS Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June** – and that elusive bottle of brandy (or two)!

**A NEW DIOCESAN BISHOP**- As announced from Downing Street on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June, our new Bishop is to be The Rt Rev'd Joanne Grenfell (Bishop of Stepney). She is also the lead bishop for safeguarding in the CofE nationally. The full story is [here](#).

**TODAY'S Readings**  
**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Ss Peter & Paul**  
Zechariah 4. 1-6a, 10b-14  
Acts 12. 1-11  
Matthew 16. 13-19

**Readings for NEXT WEEK**  
**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July**  
**Trinity 3**  
2 Kings 5. 1-14  
Luke 10. 1-11, 16-20

## AMONG YOUR PRAYERS

(*Intercessors*, please [click here](#) for the Diocesan Prayer Diary)

- For our new Diocesan Bishop-elect, Dr Joanne Grenfell
- For all being ordained this weekend as Deacon or Priest, especially thinking of Fr Marc Voase (formerly of Mirfield) and for the Parish of St Margaret's, Ilkley where he will serve...
- For our town and Regatta this Sunday; for 'Churches Together'; and all who enjoy sailing on the Deben...
- For lasting peace throughout the Middle East and food for the hungry in Sudan and Gaza
- For anyone we know who are sick in body, mind or spirit, (among them Terry Whale, Sarah Dodds & Penny Bird); for our Elders offering Communion at home
- Among the recently departed: for the souls of Angela Underhill, and Andrew Rankin. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

### COLLECT FOR THIS WEEK

Almighty God,  
whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul  
glorified you in their death as in their  
life:  
grant that your Church,  
inspired by their teaching and  
example,  
and made one by your Spirit,  
may ever stand firm upon the one  
foundation,  
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
AMEN

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty God,  
who on the day of Pentecost  
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles  
with the wind from heaven and in  
tongues of flame,  
filling them with joy and boldness to  
preach the gospel:  
by the power of the same Spirit  
strengthen us to witness to your  
truth  
and to draw everyone to the fire of  
your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
AMEN

Please contact the Benefice Office for all Baptism, Wedding and Funeral enquiries, and enquiries regarding bookings for the church or St Mary's House, on 01394 388820 or [parish.office@stmaryswoodbridge.org](mailto:parish.office@stmaryswoodbridge.org)

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