



## THE PARISH OF MALDON ST. MARY WITH MUNDON

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- Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May: 10am ALL AGE PARISH MASS - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Andrew, Psalm: 31:1-5 [15 - 16]  
Organist: Sarah Stonehouse, Hymns: NEH: 345, 113, 353, 427.
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May: 2pm to 4pm Cream Teas in Octagon
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May: 10am Weekday Mass 7:30pm Heritage Harbour Group meeting in Octagon
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May: COMPLINE AT 9PM ON ZOOM, LOGIN: ID: 86512362519, PASSCODE: 945504
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May: 8:30am CTIM Morning Prayer, 9am CTIM Meeting in Octagon
- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May: 9:30am Church Cleaning and Flowers
- Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May: 10am PARISH MASS FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus speaks words of deep reassurance: *“I am the way, the truth, and the life”* In a world often marked by uncertainty, division, and competing claims to truth, these words are not merely comforting—they are grounding. To say that Christ is *the way* is to trust that our lives find their direction not in shifting values or passing trends, but in following him. To say he is *the truth* is to affirm that truth is not simply an idea, but a person—one who reveals God fully and faithfully. And to say he is *the life* is to recognise that real and lasting life is found not in what we achieve or possess, but in communion with him.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, be our way in confusion, our truth in uncertainty, and our life in what we do. Amen.

**ROGATION SUNDAY MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>** - All parishioners are warmly invited to join us next Sunday afternoon for our Rogation Day service—and to bring a friend along. We will gather in church and process at 3:30pm to the new play area for a blessing, then continue to the Hythe to bless the waters and barges, giving thanks for God’s creation and his many gifts. We will finish at the amphitheatre with a Songs of Praise, including favourite hymns, readings, and a reflection on God’s good creation. Please do bring a picnic so that we can enjoy time together in fellowship afterwards. All are very welcome.

### **WALSINGHAM**

Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham - Monday, 25th May 2026. Join us for our annual parish pilgrimage to Walsingham. We meet at church at 8:00am for a short prayer before travelling to the National Pilgrimage. We expect to return around 6:00–6:30pm. Father Andrew will lead the group as usual. Lifts are available—please let us know if needed. You’re welcome to bring a picnic, though refreshments are also available. To join, speak to Father Andrew or sign up on the list at the back of church.

**YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU:** St Mary's Church is seeking a treasurer to support the financial life of the parish. Some confidence with numbers and basic organisation would be helpful, but you do not need to be a professional accountant. If you would like to know more, please speak to a member of the clergy or PCC. As our Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting approaches, there is an opportunity for you to play an active role in shaping the future of our church by joining the PCC. If you feel called to serve in this way, please speak to Fr Andrew for more information.

**MALDON FOOD PANTRY:** Give generously to those in need, collection point is at the back of church.

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