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Tuesday	10.30am - Noon	Coffee & Chat. (St. Andrew's Room)
	3.45pm - 5.15pm	SALT for children (4 - 7 yrs) and their families (in term time)
	6.30pm - 9.15pm	Youth Fellowship (Village Hall).
	7.45pm	Bell ringers.
Wednesday	2.00pm - 3.30pm	Tiny Tots. (St. Andrew's Room)
Friday	7.30pm - 8:30pm	Choir Practice. (St. Andrew's Room)

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Our Mission Statement

In the light of God's call, and our situation here, our vision is:

To glorify and worship God and to further his kingdom on earth; To declare and show the love of Christ for all people to the people of Sandon; To teach, encourage and help people to be disciples of Christ; To proclaim Christ's

Gospel to the people of Sandon and the wider world;

To encourage commitment and personal growth in Christian discipleship and spirituality; To channel God's love through service and care for all.

PARISH MAGAZINE



ST ANDREW'S SANDON

JULY 2011

CHURCH SERVICES during July 2011

at St. Andrew's Church, Sandon [S]
and St. Mary's Church, Little Baddow [LB]

Sunday 3rd July

St Thomas the Apostle

08.00 Holy Communion [LB]
10.00 Jubilate Eucharist [S]
10.30 United Morning Worship [LB]
(Cuckoo's Farm)

Thursday 7th

10.00 Holy Communion and
prayers for healing [LB]
(St.Andrew's Chapel)

Saturday 9th

13.30 Wedding [S]

Sunday 10th

3rd Sunday after Trinity

10.00 Parish Eucharist
and Baptism [LB]
18.30 Kenyan Eucharist [S]
18.30 United Evensong [LB]

Monday 11th

09.00 Celtic Morning Prayer [LB]
(St.Andrew's Chapel)

Wednesday 13th

09.15 Holy Communion [S]

Thursday 14th

10.00 House Communion [LB]
(Longwood Chase, The Ridge)

Sunday 17th

4th Sunday after Trinity

10.00 Family Service [LB]
10.00 Parish Eucharist [S]
18.30 Evening Parish Eucharist [LB]

Monday 18th

09.00 Celtic Morning Prayer [LB]
(St.Andrew's Chapel)

Wednesday 20th

09.15 Holy Communion [S]

Thursday 21st

10.00 House Communion [LB]
(Joyces Corner, Spring Elms Lane)

Saturday 23rd

14.00 Wedding [S]

Sunday 24th

5th Sunday after Trinity

08.00 Holy Communion [S]
10.00 United Parish Eucharist [LB]
(with United Reformed Church, LB)
18.30 Evensong [LB]

Monday 25th

09.00 Celtic Morning Prayer [LB]
(St.Andrew's Chapel)

Wednesday 27th

09.15 Holy Communion [S]
13.00 Wedding [S]

Thursday 28th

10.00 House Communion [LB]
(Mill Mead, Mill Lane)

Sunday 31st

6th Sunday after Trinity

10.00 'Come Together' Eucharist [LB]

*this is when the congregations of
St Mary's Little Baddow and
St Andrew's Sandon 'come together'
for the one service of the day.
Please come and join in.*

Organisations & Activities in Sandon & Howe Green

United Reformed Church Howe Green

Minister: Revd. J. Sermon 01245 601662
Sunday Service: 11.00am Morning Service (Communion 2nd Sunday)

Sandon Parish Council

Meetings are usually on the 2nd Monday of the month and are held alternately in Sandon Village Hall and at Howe Green.

Chair: Mr. I. Wright
Parish Clerk: Mrs. S. Dobson. 01245 227734
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Sandon Village Hall

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Group Scout Leader: Mr. N. Paul 01245 474891
Sports Club: Mr. G. Lucas (Secretary) 01245 283730
Youth Fellowship: Mr. P. J. Ellis 01245 222682

Regular Activities

Wednesdays 6.00 - 7.15pm 1st Sandon Brownies in the Village Hall
Last Wednesday Monthly 2.00 - 4.15pm Over Sixties Club.
Thursdays 5.00 - 6.15pm Beaver Cubs in the Village Hall.
6.15 - 7.45pm 1st Sandon Cubs & Scouts in Village Hall.
8.00 - 9.30pm Sandon Scouts in the Village Hall
2nd Thursday Monthly 2.00 - 4.00pm Women's Institute in the Village Hall.

Please inform the editor of any alterations to the above details.

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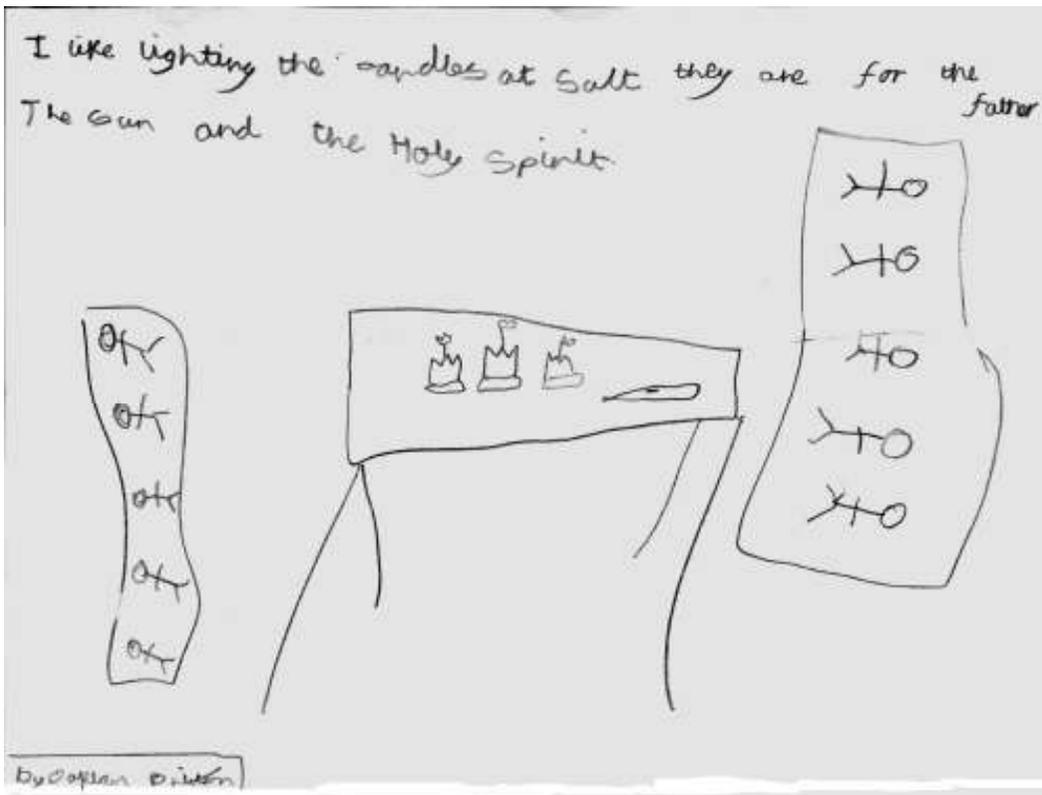
Dear Parish Friends

From 1 July 2007, churches, places of worship, and church halls — both as public buildings and as workplaces — were to be not only non-smoking but must also display signs to say that they are!. I think the use of incense was exempted!

One easy solution was suggested, which would cover the sensibilities of churches yet also comply: lots of churches have notice boards and **No Smoking** notices could be added to other notices displayed on them.

Having worked in The Royal London Hospital and personally nursed many men and women gasping for breath beneath oxygen masks; suffering from brain metastases secondary to Lung Cancer and from other debilitating effects of smoking cigarettes, cigars, pipes and of course illegal substances, I fully supported the Governments initiative wholeheartedly four years ago. The Church cannot 'preach' healing of body, mind and spirit yet offer no help in assisting people move personally towards the wholeness we pray for. Every time we use the Book of Common Prayer for Holy Communion, we pray for the 'Church militant' and ask God that we may be 'godly and quietly governed', praying that the government (of the day) 'may truly and indifferently administer justice'. Attempts to eradicate smoking may seem unjust to smokers but is not the eradication of ill-health a just cause? The eradication of drinking and driving may seem unjust to some who drink and drive but is not the eradication of preventable road traffic accidents and Liver disease a just cause? Attempts to eradicate the use of illegal drug use may seem unjust to drug addicts and dealers but is not the reduction of premature deaths amongst the young a just cause? Is this the business of the Church? Should the Church stay on it's knees, say nothing and do nothing about Health care politics? Jesus walked his talk and so should we.

Clive



Thank you Oaklan, now I see what goes on in my church at these 'ere SALT gatherings! Ed.

Act of Faith

O my God,
 I firmly believe that you are one God in three divine Persons,
 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
 I believe that your divine Son became man and died for our sins,
 and that he will come to judge the living and the dead.
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 because you revealed them,
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Amen



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Sandon WI Meeting June 2011

The meeting started with a fire drill, and the President Eileen Bartrup congratulated all 40 people present on evacuating the hall in two and a half minutes! When we returned to the hall, she welcomed members, a visitor and our Speaker, Mr Ian Kirby and thanked Frances Freemont for flower arrangement on the top table. She was sorry to announce that Martha George who had been a member for many years had recently died.

Mr Ian Kirby then gave a most interesting and amusing talk on the history of the Olympic games and told us that London was the first City to have hosted the games three times, 1908, 1948 and 2012, and at the time of his talk there were only 414 days left until the start of the games next year.

The Games were revived in Athens in 1896 but were often combined with an exhibition as happened at White City in 1908 when the multi purpose stadium had a running track round the outside, a cycling track, and a swimming pool (and the water was not changed for the three weeks that the games lasted!) in the centre of the stadium! The 1948 games held in Wembley Stadium were known as the "austerity games" and were held during the school holidays so local schools could be used as accommodation for the athletes. There had always been plans to redevelop the Stratford area, and being awarded the games for 2012 was a great opportunity. On September 13 2011 the Westfield Shopping Centre will open to the public (there was a Westfield shopping centre at White City) The main aim is that after the games the various facilities will still be used and the Queen Elizabeth park will become the largest urban park in the country. Mr Kirby was thanked by Jean Smith.

Angela Harvey made some announcements about outings, including a visit to Beth Chatto's garden, Little Baddow's garden meeting, a walk from paper Mill Lock followed by a trip on a barge with lunch, a new members coffee morning and the August Open Evening, and then tea was served.

After tea, Barbara Hodges talked about her recent visit to Denman during the Federation weekend and said how very enjoyable it had been. Future events include the Sandon Village fete on June 26th, the Inter Institute Quiz on July 5th, a walk on Tiptree Heath, the August Open evening and a shopping trip to Norwich. The Autumn County meeting will be on October 8th, and there are new speakers days on June 24th and September 23rd, a walk at Church Langley on 10th September, and the schedule for the County Show will be sent out in July.

The Treasurer said we now have a cabinet to store material in, and the Keep Fit and Craft clubs continue to meet. The Flower of the Month was won by Celia kerslake.

The next meeting will be on July 14th when Susan Tyler Damon will talk on " The bride wore white"

Anne Nickol.

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When did you arrive in Sandon? Round about 1987, left in 1996 but only to ‘Sandon over the Border’.

What was the reason you came? Property was better value, compared to Brentwood, at the time.

Did you have any ambitions as a child? I really didn’t. Even by my mid-teens, I didn’t have any special ‘calling’.

Do they remotely resemble anything you do now? Strangely enough, no!

What one life lesson do you feel you have learned? Go with the Flow!

How did you become a Christian? I was baptised and brought up in the Congregational Church, drifted away during my teens and twenties and then became attracted to Anglicanism, initially at St. George’s Brentwood, where I was later confirmed, although I was worshipping at Sandon by then.

What do you like about Sandon Church? The churchmanship, although I do feel that Sandon used to have its own ‘USP’ – Anglo-Catholicism, which we are now somewhat neglecting.

Do you believe in miracles? Yes, past and present.

What gives you hope for the future? My hope is in the resurrection at the end of days, as promised by our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Outgoing or shy? Due to my lack of direction (see above), I was subjected to an isometric analysis in my teens which concluded that I was ‘marginally introverted’. So tending to shy, I guess.

Coffee or tea? Coffee mostly – black, thank you!

What life experiences have been most special for you? Birth of my two daughters, both of whom have matured into well-rounded adults, despite my best efforts! Also the love and support of my ‘beetter half’ – Liz.

A film or book that has moved you? I do remember reading Sophie’s Choice while commuting and it bringing me almost to tears on the train; not even A Brief History of Time managed to do that!

What is your favourite part of the Bible? John’s Gospel and the Revelation of St. John.

Words that especially inspire you? Take, eat, this is my Body, which was broken for you.

What quality do you most value in another person? I generally take people as I find them and believe in doing to others as one would have done to one’s self.

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The total amount raised in Sandon was £1124.69

Michael Puffett

Christian Aid Organiser

THE WISDOM OF THE NOT-SO-YOUNG-ANYMORE

1. I started out with nothing, and I still have most of it.
2. My wild oats have turned into prunes and All Bran.
3. I finally got my head together; but now my body is falling apart.
4. Funny, I don't remember being absent minded.
5. If all is not lost, where is it?
6. It is easier to get older than it is to get wiser.
7. It is hard to make a comeback when you haven't been anywhere.
8. Only time the world beats a path to your door is when you're in the bathroom.
9. If God wanted me to touch my toes, He would have put them on my knees
10. These days, I spend a lot of time thinking about the hereafter... I go somewhere to get something, and then wonder what I'm here after!

From The Server.

What kind of behaviour do you find most difficult to tolerate? Arrogance or rudeness.

Night or morning person? Night, I only feel tired when it's time to get up!

Which season do you prefer? Spring

A moment when you felt the presence of God? Eucharist at the monastery of Monserrat, near Valencia, Spain at the moment of accepting the host from a saintly-appearing Friar.

Favourite hymn? You raise me up.

Do you believe religion and politics should be kept separate? Separate

Do you have friends from other faiths? Rather to my regret, I do not.

Something you are looking forward to? The forthcoming marriage of number 1 daughter, Victoria.

If you could donate a large sum to a charity which would you choose? The Church.

If you could save one thing that you own from a fire, what would it be? Our Cat Augustus (Gus). The other one, Winks, used to be Vicki's and will have to look after herself!

What advice would you give to an 18 year old? I would not presume to give advice unless it was specifically requested, and then it would probably be wrong!

What moment of your life would you like to relive? My one and to my regret, only personal confession, just before my confirmation. It was tough, and I doubt that I will ever put myself through it again, but I really felt that I was floating on a cloud when I left the Rectory that evening.

What age would you most like to be? 30 to 40.

Any special interests? ... Science and Philosophy so long as it doesn't involve too much (any?) mathematics! NB

Parish Ministry Workshops

Three 90 minute 'training workshops' for the people of St Andrew's and St Mary's will be held in St Andrew's Church Sandon during July, the first will be:

11th July 'How to lead prayers (intercessions) in a Church service'

19th July 'How to assist with the Chalice at Holy Communion'

25th July 'How to read the Bible in a Church service'

Each session will all begin at 7.30pm and end no later than 9pm. If you'd like to join any of the sessions, please let Clive know. However, if at the last minute, you think you'd like to come along – just come!

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