Church Services

BCP=Book of Common Prayer 1662

ST. MARY'S SERVICES
Sunday 8th
10th Sunday after Trinity
10.00 Parish Eucharist [LB]
Thursday 12th
10.00 House Communion [LB]
Sunday 15th
The Blessed Virgin Mary
10.00 Family Service [LB]

18.30 Evening Eucharist [LB]

ST. ANDREW'S SERVICES
Sunday 8th
10th Sunday after Trinity
10.00 Morning Worship [S]
18.30 Parish Eucharist [S]
Wednesday 11th
09.15 Holy Communion (BCP) [S]
Sunday 15th
The Blessed Virgin Mary
10.00 Parish Eucharist [S]

Little Baddow and Sandon's Shared Ministry Team

Mr Charles Cope, Reader Mr Brian Gilder, Reader The Revd Chris Poulard, Honorary Assistant Priest

The Revd Canon Christine McCafferty
Honorary Assistant Priest

The Revd Clive A. Ashley Priest-in-Charge 01245 243863



29th SEPTÉMBER 2010 Alpha Course Introductory Evening 7.45pm at The Rectory, 25 The Lintons, Sandon CM2 7UA

If you are over 18 yrs old and have ever thought about joining an ALPHA COURSE or being BAPTISED and/or CONFIRMED as an adult, you might be interested in finding out about what's happening here.

We begin with a simple supper. No course fee but a donation to cover costs will be received with thanks



EMMAUS

Youth Emmaus starting Tuesday 28th September 4.30pm-5.30pm at The Rectory, 25 The Lintons, Sandon CM2 7UA

If you are between the ages of 11-ish and 16-ish and have ever thought about being BAPTISED and/or CONFIRMED you might be interested in finding out about what's happening here. The course is designed for young people to explore the basics of the Christian faith.

More info' coming in August or if you can't wait, ask Clive 01245 243863



St. Andrew, Sandon and St Mary the Virgin, Little Baddow

'the first shall be last and the last shall be first'

10th Sunday after Trinity Sunday 8th August 2010

Welcome

Our aim at St Mary's and St Andrew's is to so sense Christ's rule in our hearts and minds that we make decisions and craft policies that may help us all to walk together in the Way that leads to the Kingdom of God If you normally receive Holy Communion you are welcome to receive Communion (the Sacraments of bread and wine) here too.

If you do not normally receive Communion you are very welcome to come forward to receive a blessing (please carry a service book with you) you will never be alone.

If you have difficulty in walking and would appreciate a supportive arm, please let a Sidesperson know before the service begins. If you have difficulty in kneeling please come and stand at the Altar rail to receive.

If you are physically unable to come to the Altar rail the Priest will always bring the Sacrament to you.

Gluten Free Wafers If you need gluten free bread, <u>please inform</u> a Church Warden at the door before the service begins.

Introduction and Call to Worship

We are precious in God's sight. God calls us by name and knows us. And so we gather to worship God our Creator.

Collect

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord

The First Reading

Isaiah 1:1. 10-20

God tells the people of Sodom and Gomorrah that he is tired of being worshipped with the blood of sacrificed animals. He wishes they would honour him by seeking justice for the oppressed, doing right by widows and orphans.

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah

and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

¹⁰ Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah!

¹¹ What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?

says the LORD;

I have had enough of burntofferings of rams

and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls.

or of lambs, or of goats.

¹² When you come to appear before me,

who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more;

bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me.
New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—

I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.

¹⁴ Your new moons and your appointed festivals

my soul hates;

they have become a burden to me,

I am weary of bearing them.

¹⁵ When you stretch out your hands,

I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers,

I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. ¹⁶ Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil,

17 learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow.

¹⁸ Come now, let us argue it out, says the LORD:

though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson,

though they are red like crimson they shall become like wool.

¹⁹ If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land;

²⁰ but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword;

for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Gospel

Luke 12:32-40

Worry is a distraction from recognising the kingdom which God has given us. Jesus tells his disciples to avoid worry caused by possessions by giving them away.

'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

35 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

39 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

Bible readings are taken from the New Revised Standard Version (Anglicized edition)

Intercessions

God is generous and blesses us in many ways. We bring to God all our concerns and needs, safely dependent on his goodness and love.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we are asked to give thanks and pray for everyone attending 'Soul Survivor' this week.

Pray for the Church of the Province of South East Asia, and The Most Reverend Dr John Chew, Archbishop

for Churches Together in Chelmsford; all our Sister churches; the Deanery of South Chelmsford; the people and clergy of the United Reformed Churches in Little Baddow, Danbury and Howe Green.

In our Parish Prayers we pray for the forthcoming Alpha and Emmaus courses and all thinking of joining the courses we remember before God all those amongst our families, friends and neighbours who suffer in body, mind or spirit......

and all our loved ones who have died in the faith of Christ, those they leave behind and those whose memories we treasure......

Post Communion prayer

God of our pilgrimage,
you have willed that the gate of
mercy
should stand open for those who
trust in you:
look upon us with your favour
that we who follow the path of
your will
may never wander from the way of
life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord

If you are a TAX payer PLEASE remember to
complete and use the
CHARITY or PARISH GIFT AID
envelopes when making your
gift.