Sunday 23rd January 3rd SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

08.00 Holy Communion [S] 10.00 Family Service [S] 10.00 Parish Eucharist [LB] 18.30 Evensong [LB]

Monday 24th

09.00 Celtic Morning Prayer [St Andrew's Chapel, Little Baddow] **Tuesday 25th** 17.00 Emmaus Course [Rectory]

Wednesday 26th
9.15 Holy Communion
Thursday 27th

10.00 House Communion [LB]

Sunday 30th January PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

10.00 Joint Parish Eucharist at St Mary's Little Baddow

For news and details of all youth and children groups, activities and leaders please refer to the latest Parish Magazines

THE HIGH SHERIFF OF ESSEX Michael Hindmarch invites you to

"A WINTER CELEBRATION"

An Evening of Musical Entertainment with

The Lingwood Consort The Kelvedon Singers Flautista

on Friday 28th January 2011 at 7.30pm in St. John the Baptist Church, Danbury The proceeds of the concert will be donated to

The Friends of Essex Churches Danbury Parish Church and Little Baddow Parish Church Wine and Light Refreshments Coffee and Cookies

£25 per person To reserve a seat email: hs.sec2010@gmail.com or write: H.S. Secretary, Riffhams, Danbury, Essex CM3 4DS



VALENTINE'S **QUIZ NIGHT.**

SATURDAY 12th FEBRUARY 7.30.P.M.

SANDON VILLAGE HALL TICKETS: £8 INCL.FISH AND CHIPS OR CHICKEN AND CHIPS -B.Y.O DRINKS

TABLES OF 6.

Tickets from: Christine Mennie 281305; David Farrar 471484 Jack Whinney 222239 ** NEW QUIZMASTER!! Proceeds to St Andrew's Church FABRIC FUND

Let us pray for those who are to be Confirmed on 6th March

Mark Button; Allie Russell; Jonny Streatfield; Katie Streatfield and Penny Streatfield.

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father. We pray for Church; guide and govern us by your good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace and in righteousness of life Amen.



The Parish Churches of
St. Andrew, Sandon
and

St Mary the Virgin, Little Baddow

part of the Chelmer Crouch Group Ministry

3rd Sunday of Epiphany 23rd January 2011

Welcome

As he began his ministry, Jesus called people out of darkness into light, which he made evident through his acts of love and healing. Let us use our worship today to prepare ourselves to show evidence of the light of Christ through our actions.

Collect

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

First Reading

Isaiah 9:1-4

Light shines for people formerly living in darkness, experienced

as increased joy throughout the whole nation

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

^{2 *}The people who walked in darkness

have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—

on them light has shined.

³ You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴ For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders.

the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Psalm 27. 1-11

¹ The LORD is my light and my salvation;

whom shall I fear?
The LORD is the stronghold* of my life;

of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh my adversaries and foes they shall stumble and fall.

- ³ Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.
- One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.
- ⁵ For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.
- ⁶ Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.
- ⁷ Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me!
- ⁸ 'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!'

Your face, LORD, do I seek.

Do not hide your face from me.

Do not turn your servant away in anger,

you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me,

O God of my salvation!

10 If my father and mother forsake

me, the LORD will take me up.

Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

Gospel

Matthew 4:12-23

After John the Baptist is arrested, Jesus begins his ministry in Galilee, calling his first disciples and ministering to the crowds by proclaiming the Gospel and healing the sick.

Now when Jesus* heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵ 'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,

on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.

¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'

18 As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and

Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake-for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them. 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. 23 Jesus* went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news* of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Introduction to the Peace

When we receive God's peace deep within us, we begin to experience God's kingdom. Therefore let us receive God's peace and share it with each other. The peace of the Lord...

Post Communion prayer

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus
Christ is the light of the world:
may your people,
illumined by your word and
sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his
glory,
that he may be known,
worshipped, and obeyed
to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now
and for ever.

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