

**ST. MARY'S, LITTLE  
BADDOW**

**Sunday 20 JUNE**

09.15 Holy Communion

10.30 Family Service

**Thursday 24 JUNE**

10.00 House Communion

**Sunday 27 JUNE**

10.30 United Morning Worship

18.30 Evening Eucharist

**ST. ANDREW'S, SANDON**

**Sunday 20 JUNE**

10.30 Family Service

18.30 'Songs of Praise'

**Wednesday 23 JUNE**

10.00 Holy Communion (*Book of Common Prayer*)

**Sunday 27 JUNE**

09.00 Parish Eucharist

**CHELMSFORD CHRISTIAN  
FESTIVAL  
(25-27 JUNE 2010)**

**Little Baddow  
Village Fete  
Saturday 26 June**

This is a village rather than a church occasion with the proceeds going towards the new kitchen at the Memorial Hall. It is to be held on the sports field and is an afternoon fete and evening Ceilidh

**bottle tombola stall**

We are in urgent need of bottles (any size style and content) if we are not to end up with an empty stall on the day. There is a box at the back of St Mary's Church for donations?

**Sandon Village Fete  
Sunday 27 June  
1pm onwards**

**BRADWELL PILGRIMAGE  
Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**

starting from Bradwell Village at 11.00 am to St Peter's on the Wall. It will be led by Bishop Laurie and the Guest Speaker is Archbishop John Sentamu. Further details in 'The Month'

Sermon notes



The Parish Churches of  
**St Mary the Virgin,  
Little Baddow  
and  
St. Andrew,  
Sandon**

**20 June 2010**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity

**Introduction and Call to  
Worship**

Jesus welcomed all; had time for all; was willing to reach out to those who thought their situation would remain the same for ever. So come and worship God, knowing you are loved, knowing you are welcome, and knowing that God has something to say to you. Worship him in the knowledge that you are safe, but also that your world might change for ever in his hands

**Welcome**

Our aim at Little Baddow and Sandon 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 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.

**Gluten Free Wafers** If you need gluten free bread, GF wafers are available – the Priest will need to know before the service starts, please inform a Church Warden at the door before the service begins.

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through 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.

## The First Reading

*Galatians 3:23-end*

**Paul declares the wonderful Gospel: that in Christ, everyone can be called a child of God. There are no barriers of culture, nationality, class or gender; everyone can come to God, whoever they are.**

23 Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. <sup>27</sup>As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. <sup>28</sup>There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

## Gospel

*Luke 8:26-39*

**Having calmed the storm, Jesus travels with a boatful of astonished disciples to the other side of Lake Galilee where he encounters a wild man, a legion of demons, and a city afraid of change.**

26 Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me'— <sup>29</sup>for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

32 Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. 34 When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came

to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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

## Intercessions

We bring our hopes, fears, strengths and weaknesses to God, and know that our prayers are heard and answered

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** we are asked to pray for *the United Reformed Church Eastern Synod: Moderator The Reverend Paul Whittle, and the Ecumenical Officer for Essex The Reverend Michael Rigney.*

*Pray for the Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)*

*The Most Reverend Peter Jasper Akinola, Archbishop*

*Pray for all our sister churches in the Chelmer-Crouch Group; the Catholic Church of Danbury; Danbury Mission and the United Reformed Churches of Little Baddow, Danbury and Howe Green.*

## The Peace

'Where two or three are gathered together in my name,' says the Lord, 'there am I in the midst of them.'

## Post Communion prayer

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour

## The Blessing

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with you all; and the blessing ...

## OFFERINGS

PLEASE remember to use the GIFT AID envelopes if you are a tax payer.