

Sunday 20th

Christ the King

Sunday next before Advent

08.00 Holy Communion [LB]

10.00 Parish Eucharist [S]

followed by a burial of ashes-

Robert Fishwick

10.00 Family 'SHOEBOX' Service [LB]

12.15 Baptism [LB]

Monday 21st

09.00 Celtic Morning Prayer [St

Andrew's Chapel, North Hill

Little Baddow]

Wednesday 23rd

09.15 Holy Communion [S]

Thursday 24th

10.00 House Communion [LB]

Nurses Cottage, North Hill

John Atkinson

Sunday 27th

ADVENT SUNDAY

08.00 Holy Communion [S]

10.30 United Communion and
Farewell to Michael Powell
[LB - URC]

12.30 Baptism [S]

18.30 Evensong [LB]

St Andrew's Sandon

Christmas Fayre

Saturday 26th November

From 12 noon

in the Village Hall

Woodhill Road, Sandon



in Little Baddow

on Sunday 4th December at 4pm

*Clive and Lesley Ashley invite you to
drop in to*

The Rectory Open Evening

**25 The Lintons, Sandon,
CM2 7UA**

Tel 01245 243863

Wednesday 23rd November

7pm – 10pm

*for an early introduction to mulled wine,
mince pies, coffee, tea and a warm
welcome*



**Sandon Parish Church
St Andrew's Day
Wednesday 30th November**

**Patronal Festival
Eucharist
at 7pm**

followed by

Cheese and Wine at 8.15pm

**St Mary's Little Baddow
first ever**

**Luxury Christmas
Shopping Evening**

**Friday 2nd December
7:00 - 9:30 p.m.**

Memorial Hall Little Baddow
*Entry £3 including glass of mulled
wine and mince pie*
Licensed Bar



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

*part of the Chelmer Crouch
Group Ministry*

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**A warm welcome is extended
to visitors.** Coffee, tea and
squash are normally served
after the 10am Service [in
Church at St Mary's Church and
in The St Andrew's Room at St
Andrew's Church].
Please stay and meet people.

**If you are here attending a
'Holy Communion' or
'Eucharist' and normally
receive the Sacraments of
bread and wine, you are
welcome to receive them here
too.**

**If you do not normally
receive Communion you are
very welcome to come and
kneel at the Altar rail and
receive a blessing (please carry**

a service book or hymn book
with you) you will not be alone.

Introduction and Call to Worship

Ephesians 1:22 says, "God has
put all things under Christ's feet
and has made him the head
over all things." Let us worship
Christ the King.

***For 5 minutes before the
Service begins PLEASE
allow others to keep a time
of prayerful quiet in
preparation to worship our
Lord Jesus Christ. Thank
you.***

COLLECT

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ
the King
and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit,
one God, one glory. **Amen.**

First Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

**Paul prays that the Ephesians
will be given spiritual
wisdom to understand the
greatness of God's power**

revealed in Christ and at work among them

15 I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is

his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

The Son of Man, as king, pronounces judgement on the nations: people are judged on their response to the poor, the sick, the stranger and the prisoner, with whom the king identifies himself

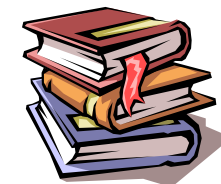
31 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I

was in prison and you visited me." ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." ⁴¹Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it

to me." ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

Post Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



'Love Wins' by Rob Bell

Rob Bell addresses one of the most controversial issues of faith—the afterlife—arguing, would a loving God send people to eternal torment forever...? With searing insight, Bell puts hell on trial, and his message is decidedly hopeful—eternal life doesn't start when we die; it starts right now. And ultimately, Love Wins.

What do you think?