

Sunday 5th

3rd Sunday before Lent

- 08.00 Holy Communion [LB]
10.00 Parish Eucharist [S]
10.30 United Morning Service [URC
- LB] *Welcoming Ryan Sirmon*
16.00 Messy Church [St. Andrew's
Chapel, North Hill.
Little Baddow]

Monday 6th

- 09.00 Celtic Morning Prayer [St
Andrew's Chapel, North Hill
Little Baddow]

Tuesday 7th

- 09.15 Holy Communion [S]

Wednesday 8th

- 20.00 Guild Office [S]

Thursday 9th

- 10.00 House Communion [The Fold,
High Pastures, Little Baddow]

Sunday 12th

2nd Sunday before Lent

- 10.00 Parish Eucharist [LB]
18.30 Evening Eucharist and
prayers for healing[S]
18.30 *United Evening Worship*
[URC LB]

Etc.

Clive will be away for week on a
course of study from midday 5.2.12.

'Care and Share'

Pastoral Care Course

**7.30pm – 9pm at St Mary's, Little
Baddow**

- 11th January – *What is pastoral care?*
18th January – Visiting and Listening
25th January – Making Contact
1st February – Dealing with Loss
**15th February – Confidentiality and
getting organised**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Visit the website to find out more
www.helpinghandsessex.org.uk



Pints of View

Men's pub night

Monday 13th February 2012
from 8pm in the bar at
The Generals, Little Baddow
for further details contact:
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St Andrew's Church, Sandon
Sunday 19th February at 11am
St Andrew's Rooms, Little Baddow
Sunday 4th March at 4pm



Little Baddow and Sandon Churches

Lent Study Groups

'The Creed'

*Every Wednesday and Friday during Lent
this year the Churches in Little Baddow and
Sandon are sharing in their study of 'The
Creed', asking, what do we believe?*

Commencing:

Wednesday 29 February 7.30pm
at St Andrew's Sandon
and Friday 2 March 10am
**at St Andrew's Rooms, North
Hill, Little Baddow**

- Study 1 We believe in one God
Study 2 For us and for our salvation he
came down from heaven
Study 3 On the third day he rose again
Study 4 We believe in the Holy Spirit
Study 5 We believe in one Church



ST MARY THE VIRGIN, LITTLE BADDOW

www.littlebaddowchurches.org.uk

ST. ANDREW, SANDON

www.sandon-church.info

*part of the Chelmer Crouch
Group Ministry*

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**A warm welcome is extended
to all 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

All communicant members of
Christian Churches are invited to
receive communion. Those who
do not wish to receive communion
are invited to come forward for a
blessing, keeping their heads
bowed at the Altar rail.
Those communicants requiring
gluten-free wafers are asked to
identify themselves to a Sides
person.

***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

Almighty God,
who alone can bring order
to the unruly wills and passions of
sinful humanity:
give your people grace so to love
what you command and to desire
what you promise,
that, among the many changes of
this world, our hearts may surely
there be fixed where true joys are
to be found;
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. **Amen**

First Reading Isaiah 40:21-31

**God, the mighty Creator, knows
the ways not just of the heavens
and the earth, but also of both
rulers and ordinary people.
Nothing is hidden from God.**

Have you not known? Have you
not heard?

Has it not been told you from the
beginning?

Have you not understood from
the foundations of the earth?

²² It is he who sits above the circle
of the earth,

and its inhabitants are like
grasshoppers;

who stretches out the heavens like

a curtain,
and spreads them like a tent to
live in;
²³ who brings princes to naught,
and makes the rulers of the earth
as nothing.

²⁴ Scarcely are they planted,
scarcely sown,
scarcely has their stem taken
root in the earth,
when he blows upon them, and
they wither,
and the tempest carries them off
like stubble.

²⁵ To whom then will you compare
me,
or who is my equal? says the
Holy One.

²⁶ Lift up your eyes on high and
see:

Who created these?
He who brings out their host and
numbers them,
calling them all by name;
because he is great in strength,
mighty in power,
not one is missing.

²⁷ Why do you say, O Jacob,
and speak, O Israel,
'My way is hidden from the LORD,
and my right is disregarded by
my God'?

²⁸ Have you not known? Have you
not heard?
The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of
the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;

his understanding is
unsearchable.
²⁹ He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the powerless.
³⁰ Even youths will faint and
be weary,
and the young will fall
exhausted;
³¹ but those who wait for the LORD
shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings
like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

**Paul is both enslaved by the
Gospel, in that he has no choice
about proclaiming it, and yet
also made free by the Gospel,
because it is its own reward.**

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives
me no ground for boasting, for an
obligation is laid on me, and woe
betide me if I do not proclaim the
gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own
will, I have a reward; but if not of
my own will, I am entrusted with a
commission. ¹⁸What then is my
reward? Just this: that in my
proclamation I may make the
gospel free of charge, so as not to
make full use of my rights in the
gospel.
¹⁹ For though I am free with
respect to all, I have made myself a
slave to all, so that I might win
more of them. ²⁰To the Jews I
became as a Jew, in order to win

Jews. To those under the law I
became as one under the law
(though I myself am not under the
law) so that I might win those
under the law. ²¹To those outside
the law I became as one outside
the law (though I am not free from
God's law but am under Christ's
law) so that I might win those
outside the law. ²²To the weak I
became weak, so that I might win
the weak. I have become all things
to all people, so that I might by any
means save some. ²³I do it all for
the sake of the gospel, so that I
may share in its blessings.

Gospel Mark 1:29-39

**Jesus' healing ministry starts to
draw crowds, as he travels
through Galilee, preaching.**

As soon as they left the synagogue,
they entered the house of Simon
and Andrew, with James and John.
³⁰ Now Simon's mother-in-law was
in bed with a fever, and they told
him about her at once. ³¹ He came
and took her by the hand and lifted
her up. Then the fever left her, and
she began to serve them.
³² That evening, at sunset, they
brought to him all who were sick
or possessed with demons. ³³ And
the whole city was gathered
around the door. ³⁴ And he cured
many who were sick with various
diseases, and cast out many
demons; and he would not permit
the demons to speak, because they
knew him.

³⁵ In the morning, while it was
still very dark, he got up and went
out to a deserted place, and there
he prayed. ³⁶ And Simon and his
companions hunted for him.
³⁷ When they found him, they said
to him, 'Everyone is searching for
you.' ³⁸ He answered, 'Let us go on
to the neighbouring towns, so that
I may proclaim the message there
also; for that is what I came out to
do.' ³⁹ And he went throughout
Galilee, proclaiming the message
in their synagogues and casting
out demons.

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,
who gave Jesus Christ to be for us
the bread of life,
that those who come to him
should never hunger:
draw us to the Lord in faith and
love,
that we may eat and drink with
him
at his table in the kingdom,
where he is alive and reigns, now
and for ever. **Amen.**

