

Sunday 4th

2nd Sunday of Lent

- 08.00 Holy Communion [LB]
10.00 Parish Eucharist [S]
10.00 Morning Prayer [LB]
16.00 Messy Church [St.
Andrew's Chapel, North
Hill, Little Baddow]

Monday 5th

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

Tuesday 6th

- 09.15 Holy Communion [S]

Thursday 8th

- 10.00 House Communion Joyces
Corner, Spring Elms Lane[LB]

Sunday 11th

3rd Sunday of Lent

- 10.00 Parish Eucharist [LB]
18.30 Eucharist and Prayers for
Healing [S]
18.30 United Evening Worship
[URC LB]

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



PINTS OF VIEW

Men's pub night

Monday 26th March 2012

from 8pm in the bar at

The Crown, Sandon

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part of the *Chelmer Crouch*

Group Ministry

2nd Sunday of Lent

4th February 2012

*"And a voice came from heaven,
'You are my Son, the Beloved;
with you I am well pleased.'"
(Mark 1:11)*

**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

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power
and come among us,
and with great might succour us;
that whereas, through our sins and
wickedness
we are grievously hindered
in running the race that is set before us,
your bountiful grace and mercy
may speedily help and deliver us;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honour and glory, now and for ever

Genesis 17: 1-7 15-16

Abraham and the Covenant of Circumcision

1 When Abram was ninety-nine
years old the LORD appeared to
Abram and said to him, "I am
God Almighty; walk before me,
and be blameless, 2 that I may
make my covenant between me
and you, and may multiply you
greatly." 3 Then Abram fell on
his face. And God said to him, 4
"Behold, my covenant is with
you, and you shall be the father of
a multitude of nations. 5 No
longer shall your name be called
Abram, but your name shall be
Abraham, for I have made you the
father of a multitude of nations. 6
I will make you exceedingly
fruitful, and I will make you into

nations, and kings shall come from you. 7 And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

15 And God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. 16 I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Romans 4: 13-25

The Promise Realized Through Faith

13 For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. 14 For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. 15 For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression. 16 That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring--not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, 17 as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"--in the

presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. 18 In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, "So shall your offspring be." 19 He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. 20 No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, 21 fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. 22 That is why his faith was "counted to him as righteousness." 23 But the words "it was counted to him" were not written for his sake alone, 24 but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, 25 who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

Gospel Mark 8: 31-38

Jesus Foretells His Death and Resurrection

31 And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and

after three days rise again. 32 And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33 But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." 34 And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 35 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. 36 For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? 37 For what can a man give in return for his soul? 38 For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Post Communion prayer

Father in heaven,
who sent your Son to redeem the world
and will send him again to be our judge:
give us grace so to imitate him
in the humility and purity of his first
coming
that, when he comes again,
we may be ready to greet him
with joyful love and firm faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord..

A Prayer for Lent
Christ, as a light
illumine and guide me.
Christ, as a shield
overshadow me.
Christ under me;
Christ over me;
Christ beside me
on my left and my right.
This day be within and
without me,
lowly and meek, yet all-
powerful.
Be in the heart of each
to whom I speak;
in the mouth of each
who speaks unto me.
This day be within and
without me,
lowly and meek, yet all-
powerful.
Christ as a light;
Christ as a shield;
Christ beside me
on my left and my right.
Amen