

Sunday 23rd

16th SUNDAY after TRINITY /HARVEST in LITTLE BADDOW

09.15 Jubilate Eucharist [S]
10.30 United Harvest Thanksgiving
[URC-LB] followed by lunch
12.30 Baptism [LB]
18.30 Evensong [LB]

Monday 24th

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

Tuesday 25th

09.15 Holy Communion [S]

Wednesday 26th

09.00 Celtic Morning Prayer [St Andrew's, Sandon]

Thursday 27th

08.30 Chelmer Crouch Group Morning Prayer [LB]
10.00 House Communion at Joyces Corner,
Spring Elms Lane [LB]

Sunday 30th September

17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY / HARVEST in SANDON

10.00 'Come Together' Harvest Thanksgiving
Eucharist [S]

*** Launching the Sandon 'Shoebox' Appeal**

What is Transforming Presence?



*If you don't know, come and find out. We are holding two more Wednesday evening discussions being led by **The Revd. Clive Ashley***



No need to book a place – just come

**26th September and 3rd October
7.30pm – 9.00pm
in Sandon Parish Church**

Gospel Choir Practice

**Monday 22nd October at 8pm – Sandon Church
All comers welcome – no auditions**



Pet Service at Sandon Church
Sunday 14th October
3.30pm – 4.15pm



St Mary the Virgin Little Baddow

www.littlebaddowchurches.org.uk

St. Andrew, Sandon

www.sandon-church.info

part of the

Chelmer-Crouch Group of Churches

Priest-in-Charge: The Revd Clive A. Ashley

16th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
23rd September 2012

**A warm welcome is extended to
all visitors.**

*Coffee, tea, squash and biscuits are normally served
after the main morning Service
in Church at St Mary's
and in the St Andrew's Room at St Andrew's.
Please stay and meet people*

Receiving Holy Communion

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, at the Altar rail.

Communicants requiring **gluten-free wafers** are asked to identify themselves to a Sides person before the service starts.

BAPTISM and CONFIRMATION

If you are not yet Baptised and/or Confirmed and would like to make some initial enquiries, please feel free to ask Clive (the Parish Priest) or call him on 243862.



***For 5 minutes before our Service of worship
begins together***

*PLEASE allow a time to be quiet and still and permit others to
keep a time of prayerful quiet in preparation to worship our
Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you.*

Introduction and Call to Worship

The disciples were unwilling to receive the message of Jesus. We pray that in this Eucharist we may be open to his word and rejoice in his presence among us.

Collect

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

First Reading

Proverbs 31:10-end

The writer praises the wisdom and diligence of a capable wife.

A capable wife who can find?

She is far more precious than jewels.
The heart of her husband trusts in her,
and he will have no lack of gain.
She does him good, and not harm,
all the days of her life.
She seeks wool and flax,
and works with willing hands.
She is like the ships of the merchant,
she brings her food from far away.
She rises while it is still night
and provides food for her household
and tasks for her servant-girls.
She considers a field and buys it;
with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard.
She girds herself with strength,
and makes her arms strong.
She perceives that her merchandise is profitable.
Her lamp does not go out at night.
She puts her hands to the distaff,
and her hands hold the spindle.
She opens her hand to the poor,
and reaches out her hands to the needy.
She is not afraid for her household when it snows,
for all her household are clothed in crimson.
She makes herself coverings;
her clothing is fine linen and purple.
Her husband is known in the city gates,
taking his seat among the elders of the land.
She makes linen garments and sells them;
she supplies the merchant with sashes.
Strength and dignity are her clothing,
and she laughs at the time to come.
She opens her mouth with wisdom,
and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.
She looks well to the ways of her household,
and does not eat the bread of idleness.
Her children rise up and call her happy;
her husband too, and he praises her:
'Many women have done excellently,
but you surpass them all.'
Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain,
but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.
Give her a share in the fruit of her hands,
and let her works praise her in the city gates.

Second Reading

James 3:13 – 4:3, 7-8a

The writer encourages Christians to lead a good life, free from self-seeking and the temptation to become involved in disputes. "Draw near to God and he will draw near to you."

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

Gospel Mark 9:30-37

Jesus seeks respite in order to teach his disciples. They are taken up with their own concerns and do not respond. He takes a child in his arms to demonstrate the qualities the disciples need.

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

PINTS OF VIEW

Monday 1st October

The Crown, Sandon @ 8pm

All gentlemen welcome to join discussion over a pint

See Clive for further details



7th October at 4pm in

Saint Andrew's Rooms, Little Baddow

21st October at 10.30am in

Saint Andrew's Church, Sandon