

**Please Pray for**

- Today is World Aids Day. Pray for the nearly 3.5 million children who are living with HIV. More than 90% of them live in Sub Saharan Africa where access to healthcare, nutritious food and clean water is already difficult. Praise God that there were 100,000 fewer new HIV infections in children around the world.
- Pray for The Diocese of West Virginia (Province III, Episcopal Church USA), The Rt Revd William Klusmeyer.
- We give thanks for our community and we pray for all those who live in Mayes Lane.
- Pray for all who are need of prayers: Clare, Coral, Helen, Ray, Shirley Cartwright, Barbara Parish, Clive Ashley, Peter, Rachael and baby Chloe.
- Pray for the families of Harry Summer , Dianne Loveridge and Michael Ardley as they mourn their loss.
- Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time

**Baptism, Wedding or Funeral**

If you would like to arrange one contact  
Revd. Terry Brown on 01245 698988  
or email [tgabrown@hotmail.com](mailto:tgabrown@hotmail.com)  
He would love to hear from you.

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*Coffee, tea, squash and biscuits are served after  
the main morning Service*

*in the St Andrew's Room*

**Please stay for a cupper**

**The Parish Church of  
St. Andrew Sandon**

**All are Welcome in this place**



Welcome to Lewis Goodey and his family

*Part of the  
Chelmer-Crouch Group of Churches  
And Churches Together in Chelmsford*

**Priest-in-Charge: Terry Brown**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**1<sup>st</sup> December 2013**

**Today's service**

**10am Sung Eucharist**

Commissioning of Assistants at Holy Communion

**Reader:** *Nick Bobeldijk*

**Intercessions:** *Dave Farrar*

**Eucharistic Minister:** *Ian Underwood*

**Sides person:** *Eileen Bartrup*

**12 Noon Baptism** Lewis Andrew Goodey

**Next Week's Service**

**8am Holy Communion BCP**

**10am Family Service**

**This week**

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

9.15am Holy Communion

10.15am Coffee/Tea and Chat

2.30pm Funeral of Michael Ardley

6.30pm Youth Club (Village Hall)

7.45pm Bell Practice (New Comers welcome)

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December

1.00pm Tiny Tots in Church

6:00pm Brownies (Village Hall)

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December

5.00pm Beaver Scouts (Village hall)

6.20pm Cub Scouts (Village hall)

8.00pm Scouts (Village hall)

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

7.30pm Choir Practice

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 5:00pm

Lighting Christmas tree, Hot Chocolate and Carols

**Welcome** – If you are new to church, please make yourself known to Revd. Terry or one of the people who gave out the hymn books.

**Families** are very welcome in Church.

**Toilets and Changing facilities** are in the St. Andrew's Room.

**Communion** All are welcome at the Communion rail, if you do not normally receive Communion, please come forward to receive a blessing.

## Collect

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns,  
turn us from the darkness of sin to the  
light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet  
you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
Amen

## 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Isaiah 2. 1-5

### The Future House of God

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning  
Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come  
the mountain of the Lord's house  
shall be established as the highest of the moun-  
tains, and shall be raised above the hills;  
all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,  
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,  
to the house of the God of Jacob;  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.'  
For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,  
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.  
He shall judge between the nations,  
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;  
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,  
and their spears into pruning-hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war any more.

### Judgement Pronounced on Arrogance

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk  
in the light of the Lord!

## Gospel Matthew 24. 36-44

### The Necessity for Watchfulness

'But about that day and hour no one knows, nei-  
ther the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the  
Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the  
coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days be-  
fore the flood they were eating and drinking, mar-  
rying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah en-  
tered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood  
came and swept them all away, so too will be the  
coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the  
field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two  
women will be grinding meal together; one will be  
taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore,  
for you do not know on what day your Lord is com-  
ing. But understand this: if the owner of the house  
had known in what part of the night the thief was  
coming, he would have stayed awake and would  
not have let his house be broken into. Therefore  
you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is com-  
ing at an unexpected hour.

## Post Communion Prayer

O Lord our God,  
make us watchful and keep us faithful  
as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;  
that, when he shall appear,  
he may not find us sleeping in sin  
but active in his service  
and joyful in his praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen

## PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME WITH YOU AS A REMINDER

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### Saturday 7th December 5pm

Lighting of the Christmas Tree

Come and join us at the church gate for the lighting  
of the Christmas Tree. We will sing a few carols.  
Followed by mince pies and hot chocolate

#### Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 11:00 am

Chelmsford Nursing Home Christmas Carols. If  
you are free for an hour, please join us to help with  
the singing.

#### Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 4:00 pm

Christingle Service

#### Sunday 22nd December 6:30 pm

Candlelit Nine lessons and Carols

#### Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December

Beer and Carols @ The Crown 7:00 pm

#### Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December

Crib Service 4:00 pm

Midnight Service 11:30 pm

#### Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December 10:00 am

Christmas Day Service with Communion

**Coffee and Chat** - Every Tuesday in St. Andrews  
Room – everyone welcome - relax and meet new  
people in a friendly atmosphere over a cup of tea or  
coffee

### Posada

We have the crib figures to go on their travel to as  
many homes as possible. Could you give home to  
the figures for one night on the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup>  
December? If so please could you sign the form at  
the back of the church. The journey begins today  
and ends back at the church on Christmas Eve.