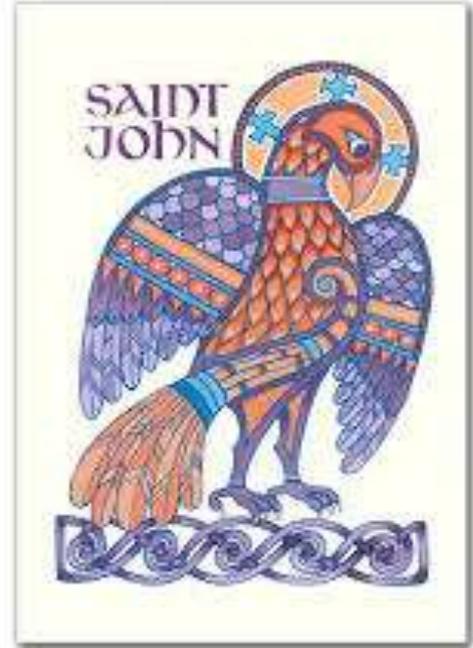


St. Andrew Sandon

All are Welcome in this Place

Priest-in-Charge: Revd. Terry Brown



Please Pray for

- The Church of England Guild of Vergers and give thanks for the work and devotion of the men and women who carry out this important task.
 - The Diocese of Zaki – Biam (Abija Nigeria)
 - For all those attended our Christmas services this year.
 - Our stewardship of time, talents, and money
 - Christians living in the Holy Land and the Middle East.
 - Marjorie Ferguson, Peter Elwell, Anna Davies
 - Baptism family Matthew & Jacqueline Hill and Ruby
 - Wedding Couple Aaron and Olivia Harris
 - Our organist and choir, Sidespersons, readers & Intercessors
 - For Churches in the Deanery to work together
 - For all the Friends Of Sandon Church
 - Those who live in Southlands Chase
 - For those who will be alone this Christmas or the first one without a loved one.
- The sick and those who care for them especially Reg Horscroft, Christine Farrar, Simon Bobeldijk, Simon Mills, Pauline Butterworth, Bishop John, Daisy, Emily, Alex and Joy Wilkinson, Kingsley, Barbara Parish, Ian & Barbara Underwood, Roy Davis, Dave Crawford and others known to us.
- Those who have died recently, June Berry, Maurice Rowley and for those who mourn.

Christenings or Weddings

If you would like to arrange one contact
Revd. Terry Brown on 01245 698988
 or email tgabrown@hotmail.com

Sunday 27th December 2015
Christmas 1
St. John Apostle and Evangelist

Today's Service

10 am	Sung Eucharist
President	Revd Terry Brown
Preacher	Revd Terry Brown
Eucharistic Minister	Michael Puffett
Intercessions	Judy Cecil
Reading	Nick Champness
Sidesperson	E. Bartrup
Duty Warden	David Farrar
Tea/Coffee	K. Tyler/L. Bobeldijk

Next Sunday

10am Sung Eucharist
 See also web Site
www.sandon-church.info

Tuesday 29th December

9.30am Holy Communion
 10.15am Coffee/Tea and Chat
 7.45pm Bell Practice (New Comers welcome)

Parish People

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 Janet Terry 01245 472997
 PCC Secretary
 Christine Mennie 01245 281305

Tuesday 9.30 am Holy Communion

4th Wednesday 9.30 Celtic Morning Prayer

Sunday: 10 am Parish Eucharist

2nd Sunday of the Month

8 am Holy Communion (Traditional)

10 am Family Service

Families are very welcome in Church.
Toilets and Changing facilities opposite Main Door.

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

Collect

Merciful Lord, we beseech thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon thy Church, that it being enlightened by the doctrine of thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist Saint John may so walk in the light of thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Reading 1 John 1

THE FIRST LETTER OF JOHN

The Word of Life

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

God Is Light

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Gospel Reading John 21. 19-end

Jesus and the Beloved Disciple

Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them; he was the one who had reclined next to Jesus at the supper and had said, 'Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?' When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, 'Lord, what about him?' Jesus said to him, 'If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!' So the rumours spread in the community that this disciple would not die. Yet Jesus did not say to him that he would not die, but, 'If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?'

This is the disciple who is testifying to these things and has written them, and we know that his testimony is true. But there are also many other things that Jesus did; if every one of them were written down, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.

Post Collect

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that the Word made flesh proclaimed by your apostle John may, by the celebration of these holy mysteries, ever abide and live within us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Church Surveys

Please could you bring back your completed Survey sheets as soon as possible and place them in the box marked Church Surveys. If you need a new form please have a word with Terry.

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 23rd January 2016

Sandon Parish Hall

at

7.30pm

£6

Max. Of 6 in a team

All proceeds to the church general fund

Bring your own food and drink

Tickets from:

Revd. Terry Brown 01245 698988

Christine Mennie 01245 281305

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Christmas Flowers

I am sure we would all like to thank our flower arrangers for all their hard work yesterday in all their displays around our church. Thank you very much.

Christmas Cards

Terry and Caroline would like to thank all those who sent Christmas cards to them this Christmas. Happy Christmas to you all, and a peaceful New Year.

New Year

As we prepare for the New Year let us remember what King George V1 quoted from Minnie Haskins' poem "The Gate of the Year" (1908)

I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the Year, 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.' And he replied, 'Go out into the darkness, and put your hand into the Hand of God. That shall be better than light, and safer than a known way.'

Happy New Year