

Please Pray

- The Diocese of West Buganda (Uganda)
- On our Electoral Audrey and Colin Bryan, Beryl Darbon
- Baptism Family Aaron, Olivia, Marshall and Russell Harris
- The Royal family especially for Prince Harry and Meghan Markie
- Ambulance, Fire and Police Services
- Compass Churches St. John's Danbury
- For those who live in The Bridleway
- In the churches together in Chelmsford we pray for The Redeemed Christian Church of God and Pastor Ade Ajayi
- For Peace in the World
- Remember the work of SYM and pray for members of the team go into schools, around Chelmsford, and take lessons, assemblies etc.
- Pray for the many people who work behind the scenes to enable us to worship and use our church week by week. Give thanks too for our wardens and all those who stand on the various committees within our church
- The sick and those who care for them especially Matthew Horsburgh, Pam, Charlie, Mark, Matthew, Simon, Simon Bobeldijk, Simon Mills, Daisy, Emily, Barbara Parish, Christine Farrar, Dilys and Gareth Edwards, Gladys Brown and others known to us.
- Those who have died recently, especially, Liz Candy, Albert Greenway, Derek Rushen, Dorothy Bright and Mary Coleman
- Those whose yearly mind falls in December Sheila Ardley, Beryl Saltmarsh Gordon Law (Priest), Dolly Osborne
May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace: And rise in glory.

Christenings or Weddings

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Regular Pattern of Worship

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

10 am Family Service



Sunday 3rd December
First Sunday of Advent

Families are very welcome

10am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant	Revd Pat Cotton
Preacher	Revd. Terry Brown
Eucharistic Minister	Michael Puffett
Reader	Joan Bridger
Intercessions	Dennis Terry
Sides person	Pam Norrington/Eileen Bartup
Refreshments	Kim Davies/Christine Mennie

Next Week

10am Sung Eucharist

4pm Christingle Service

Tuesday 5th December

9.30am Holy Communion followed by Tea/coffee

7.45pm Bell Practice (New Comers welcome)

7:30pm Explorer Scouts (Village Hall)

Wednesday 6th December

1pm Tiny Tots

7.30pm Book Club our Advent Course in SAR

Thursday 7th December

8.30am Morning Prayer at Woodham Ferrers

5pm Beaver Scouts (Village Hall)

6.30pm Cub Scouts (Village Hall)

8pm Scouts (Village Hall)

Friday 8th December

7.30pm Choir Practice

Saturday 9th December

4pm Friends Christmas Market &

5pm Lighting of Tree

If this is your first visit here, we hope you enjoy worshipping with us today. Please make yourself known to Terry our Rector or to the Sidesperson who gave you this Pew Sheet with your hymnbook and service booklet. Please stay after the service for refreshments.

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.

**1st Reading
Isaiah 64: 1-9**

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence— as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity for ever. Now consider, we are all your people..

**Gospel Reading
Mark 13. 13-end**

And you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.
‘But when you see the desolating sacrilege set up where it ought not to be (let the reader understand), then those in Judea must flee to the mountains; someone on the housetop must not go down or enter the house to take anything away; someone in the field must not turn back to get a coat. Woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing infants in those days! Pray that it may not be in winter. For in those days there will be suffering, such as has not been from the beginning of the creation that God created until now, no, and never will be. And if the Lord had not cut short those days, no one would be saved; but for the sake of the elect, whom he chose, he has cut short those days. And if anyone says to you at that time, “Look! Here is the Messiah!” or “Look! There he is!”—do not believe it. False messiahs and false prophets will appear and produce signs and omens, to lead astray, if possible, the elect. But be alert; I have already told you everything.
‘But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in clouds” with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.
‘From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking

place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.
‘But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’

Post Communion

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.

Saturday 9th December 4pm

Christmas Market by the Friends of Sandon Church 4pm
This evening will include a visit from Father Christmas, lighting of the Christmas Tree, carol singing and various craft stalls in church.

**Christmas Lunch at the ‘ Crown’
On Tuesday 19th December**

We are booking to have our Christmas Lunch together at 12noon, following tea/coffee. You may have a main course only, or a two course or three course. The idea is to pay before the day and then pay for drinks on the day. There is a booking sheet on the welcome table for you to book your place.

Chelmsford Foodbank

We now have a plastic box at the back of the church were you are invited to place food for our Food Bank. With Christmas coming up there are some items that would be of great benefit.

CAN YOU HELP WITH THE FOLLOWING PLEASE?

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| Food items | |
| UHT Milk | Personal items |
| Jars of coffee | Men’s Toiletries |
| Tins of Biscuits | (urgent) |
| Christmas cakes | Washing up liquid |
| Long Life fruit juice | Nappies, all sizes |
| Christmas puddings | Washing powder |
| Mince pies (watch date) | Ladies toiletries |
| Ham | Toilet rolls |
| Jam | |

Bible Book Club.

Please sign up for the Advent Course.
This week we will be looking at the letter Philippians.
We would love you to come on Wednesday to discuss the book, or if you prefer you can read at home and take the questions on a Sunday and answer the questions on your own or why not meet up with a friend each week in your own time. Whatever you choose please sign on the list on the welcome table. If you miss a week this is not a problem as we are looking at a different book each week.