



Please Pray

- Fairtrade Fortnight starts tomorrow. Pray for fairness and justice in our trading system globally, for fair prices for producers, and a wide perspective for consumers in the impact of their choices.
- For Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America, The Most Revd Sturdie Downs, Primate
- In the Churches together in Chelmsford we pray for St. Andrews, Sandon and for Revd Terry Brown and our congregation
- On our Electoral Roll Pam Norrington, Frances and Greg Fourgeaud
- All responsible for maintaining and cleaning the church
- For all involved in the planning and working on the church roof next month
- Those preparing for Confirmation
- Refugees who have had to leave homes and families and for the countries struggling to accommodate them.
- Pray for Afghanistan
- Compass Churches St. Margaret Downham
- For those living in Sandon Brook Place
- The sick and those who care for them especially Martin Childs, Pam, Charlie, Mark, Matthew, James, Simon Mills, Daisy, Emily, Barbara Parish, Christine Farrar, Dilys and Gareth Edwards, Ken Lawrence and others known to us.
- Those who have died recently, especially, Beryl Parker, Lorna White, Matthew Horsburgh
- Those whose yearly mind falls in February Douglas Halter, Edna Porter, Michael Mercer and Patricia Duke
May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace: And rise in glory.

Christenings or Weddings

If you would like to arrange one contact
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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 25th February
2nd Sunday of Lent

Families are very welcome

10am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant	Rev. Terry Brown
Preacher	Rev. Sandy Southee
Eucharistic Minister	Christine Mennie
Reader	Richard Cecil
Intercessions	Dennis Terry
Sides persons	Joan Bridger/Michael Puffett
Refreshments	Eileen Bartrup/Brenda Moyse

Next Sunday

10am Sung Eucharist

Next Week

Monday 26th February

7.30pm Community Choir in SAR

Tuesday 27th February

9.30am Holy Communion with refreshments

7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice

7:30 Explorer Scouts (Village Hall)

8pm Deanery Synod at St. John's Danbury

Wednesday 28th February

9.30am Celtic Morning Prayer

10am Holy Dusters

1pm Tiny Tots

7.30pm Lent Course 2 in SAR

Thursday 1st March

8:30am Compass Morning Prayer at LittleBaddow

5pm Beaver Scouts (Village Hall)

6.30pm Cub Scouts (Village Hall)

10am Lent Course 2

8pm Scouts (Village Hall)

Friday 2nd March

7.30pm Choir Practice

Saturday 3rd March 10am 12 noon

Fairtrade Coffee morning at Howe Green URC

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. Toilet is in St. Andrews Room.

Collect

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

1st Reading Romans 4. 13-end

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, 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. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Gospel Reading Mark 8. 31-end

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in

return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Post Communion Prayer

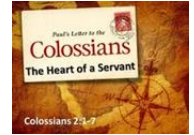
Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. . Amen.

Lent Courses

There are 2 Lent groups.

Wednesdays at 7.30pm and
Thursdays at 10am followed

by a soup and roll lunch. This year we will follow the book a letter for Lent by Patrick Coughlan which looks at Paul's letter to the Colossians. Please sign the list on the welcome table so that we can order the appropriate number of books.



Quiet Day for Compass Churches Saturday 2nd June 2018.

Led by Vanessa Herrick the new Archdeacon of Harlow and will be from 10 until 4pm on the day, with hot lunch and all refreshments provided. Approximate cost £20 but the more we have the less the cost. Venue Othona Community, Bradwell on Sea. Contact Christine Horton to reserve a place (01245 466534) horton.20@btinternet.com

Saturday 24th March

10am – 12noon

Quiet Morning in Church

There will be prayer stations as well as a short talk at 10am and 11am This is an excellent way to prepare for Holy Week and Easter.

Followed by Lent Lunch 12noon to 2pm in St. Andrew's Room You are asked to give donations towards the Bishop's Lent appeal. Please sign list on the welcome table for numbers for the Lent Lunch.

Fairtrade Fortnight

Saturday 3rd March 10 am – 12 noon

Fair Trade Coffee morning at Howe Green URC There will be a chance to purchase Fairtrade produce

Saturday 10th March

Fair Trade Wine and Cheese evening

7.30pm in St. Andrew's Room

Come and sample Fairtrade wine and learn something about the different blends of wine. Please sign list on welcome table if you wish to attend.