

#### Please Pray for

- Today is Vocations Sunday. We give thanks to God that he calls us all to varieties of forms of service in his Church and in the world and pray for openness to his Holy Spirit, that each of us may discern the call of God upon our lives.
- The Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan).
- In the Christians together in Chelmsford prayer calendar we pray for St. Paul's Church, Great Baddow & Revd Philip Sheldrake and people
- On our Electoral Roll we pray for Carol and Kenneth Wedon, Mary Matthew
- Baptism family Josh, Lianne and Lexi Kerr
- Recent Marriage couple David & Michelle Mayo
- Those recently married and those preparing for marriage
- For Home Carers and Health care workers
- For Dementia sufferers and their carers
- All those who live in Molrams Lane
- For all involved in the Scouting Movement and today we honour St. George.
- For peace in Syria
- For those who have asked for prayer. Martin Childs, Pam, Charlie, Mark, Matthew, James, Simon Mills, Daisy, Emily, Barbara Parish, Christine Farrar, Ken Lawrence, Henrietta Forssen, John Gruby Junior, Ian Underwood, Pat Eden, Dennis Terry, Janet Green and others known to us.
- Those who have died recently, especially,
   John Price, Greta Mills, Joyce Sperring, Douglas
   Marshall & Julie Wood.
- Those whose yearly mind falls in April Susan Champness, Dorothy Heard, Shirley Haveron and Shirley Carlton 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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## Parish People

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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



# 4th Sunday of Easter

# Families are very welcome 10am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant Revd. Canon Edward Carter
Preacher Revd. Canon Edward Carter

Eucharistic Minister David Farrar
Reader Janet Terry
Intercessions Revd. Pat Cotton

Sides persons Joan Bridger/Michael Puffett Refreshments Gill Haddington/Mike Harris

We welcome this morning members of the Explorer Scouts to our service.

Next Sunday 10am Celtic Sung Eucharist
During the Week

## Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April St. George day

3pm St George's Day tea and cake at URC Church 7.30pm Community Choir in SAR

### **Tuesday 24th April**

9.30am Holy Communion with refreshments 7:30pm Explorer Scouts (Village Hall)

7.30pm Annual Assembly at Sandon School

7.45pm Bell Ringing Practice

# Wednesday 25th April

1:00pm Tiny Tots

3pm Fete meeting in SAR

### Thursday 26th April

8.30am Compass Churches Morning Prayer at Little Baddow

5:00pm Beaver Scouts Village Hall

6:30pm Cub Scouts Village Hall

8:00pm Scouts Village Hall

# Friday 27th April

**Choir Practice** 

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. Please stay after the service for refreshments.

There is a toilet and baby changing facilities in St. Andrews Room.

#### Collect

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

# 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Acts 5. 5-12

Now when Ananias heard these words, he fell down and died. And great fear seized all who heard of it. The young men came and wrapped up his body, then carried him out and buried him.

After an interval of about three hours his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. Peter said to her, 'Tell me whether you and your husband sold the land for such and such a price.' And she said, 'Yes, that was the price.' Then Peter said to her, 'How it that you have agreed together to is put the Spirit of the Lord to the test? Look, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out. 'Immediately she fell down at his feet and died. When the young men came in they found her dead, so they carried her out and buried her beside her husband. And great fear seized the whole church and all who heard of these things.

Now many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico.

# Gospel Reading John 10. 11-18

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

# Christian Aid Collectors Christian Aid week is 13<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> May.

Could you possibly give out and collect envelopes in one of our roads in Sandon. Please have a word with Michael. Thank you.

# 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

### **Churchyard Morning**

The next Churchyard morning is Saturday 12th May from 10am to 12noon.

Please have a word with Christine Mennie to find out what gardening tools you can bring. If you cannot manage the Saturday morning but could help on another morning or afternoon, please have a word with Christine who will discuss with you what needs doing.

Let's work together to make the churchyard look good for the summer.

### From Rectors report at the APCM

3 things to put at the top of our list for 2018. The first is a challenge. All members of the Electoral Roll will receive a copy of New Daily Light Bible notes to use from May to August. There will be a few meetings at the end of topics, which all are encouraged to attend. One on a Wednesday evening and one on a Thursday morning.

Our Second priority for the year is to increase our prayer time each day. Between Ascension Day and Pentecost we will use the Thy Kingdom Come material. We ask all members of the congregation to pray for 5 minutes each day.

Our third priority this year is the ministry of invitation. I would like us to take this seriously this year. We have lots of special services and events which we can invite someone along.

### Village Walk Saturday 12th May

David Farrar is arranging for this to start at 10 a.m. from Sandon Church Car Park and going clockwise to the Cricketers, Danbury Common for lunch starting at 12 noon. After lunch say at about 2 p.m. onward to Sandon via the ford at Sporhams Lane. The walk should finish about 4 p.m. I am sure that arrangements can be made if you just wish to walk one half either a.m. or p.m. The walk is to raise money for 4 charities which this year are The Samaritans, CHESS, Water Aid and J's Hospice. Please let David know if you wish to walk, join up for lunch, or sponsor one of the walkers.