

Please Pray for

- On this Advent Sunday we prepare ourselves for the second coming of Christ.
- In the Christians together in Chelmsford prayer diary we pray for the RCCG Thanksgiving House and Pastor Ade Ajaya
- Liz & Nick Bobeldijk, Jane Marshall
- Baptism Family Philip, Emily and Summer Thurlow
- Marriage couple John, Louise, James & Lily Pierse
- Scouts Group Scout Leader Jean Blake, Beavers Janet Bernardes, Cubs Steve Eatly Scouts Aimee Agombar & Explorer Scouts Charles Richardson
- Remember the people of Ukraine
- For all who live in Brick Kiln Road
- For all those who are involved in the Bible course on Wednesday evenings or Thursday mornings
- Give thanks for the generosity of so many people in donating to the Food Bank.
- We pray especially for the issues over Universal Credit, which cause many people distress.
- For the Soup and Sandwich lunch club beginning on Tuesday.
- Those who have asked for prayer Martin Childs, Charlie, Mark, James, Daisy, Emily, Barbara Parish, Stuart, Beryl Puffett, David Farrar, Ken Lawrence, Henrietta Forssen, Ian & Barbara Underwood, Janet Green, Reg Horscroft, Roy Smith and others known to us.
- Those who have died recently, especially, Christine Farrar, Trina Cotton, Peggie Ginn, Nancy Standen, Graham Prosser & Edna Griffiths and others known to us.
- Those whose yearly mind falls in December Shelia Ardley, Beryl Saltmarsh, Gordon Law priest, Dolly Osborne, Mary Coleman. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace: And rise in glory.

Parish People

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Regular Pattern of Worship

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| Sunday | 10:00 am | Parish Eucharist |
| 2 nd Sunday of the Month | 8:00 am | Holy Communion |
| | 10:00 am | Family Service |
| Tuesday | 9:30 am | Holy Communion |
| 4th Wednesday | 9:30 am | Celtic Morning Prayer |



**Sunday 2nd December
Advent**

10am Sung Eucharist

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| Celebrant & Preacher | Revd. Terry Brown |
| Eucharistic Minister | David Farrar |
| Prayers | Richard Cecil |
| Reader | Gill Haddington |
| Sides Persons | Christine Mennie/Pam Norrington |
| Refreshments | Michael Puffett/Denise Carter |

Next Sunday 10am Sung Eucharist

4pm Christingle Service

During the Week

Tuesday 4th December

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| 9:30 am | Holy Communion followed by refreshments |
| 12-2.00 pm | Soup and Sandwich Lunch Club |
| 7:45 pm | Bell Ringing Practice |
| 7:30 pm | Explorer Scouts (Village Hall) |

Wednesday 5th December

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| 1pm | Tiny Tots |
| 7.30pm | Bible Course in SAR |

Thursday 6th December 8:30 am

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| Compass Churches Morning Service Danbury | |
| 10am | Bible Course in SAR |
| 5:00 pm | Beaver Scouts (Village hall) |
| 6:30 pm | Cub Scouts (Village Hall) |

Friday 7th December

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| 7.30pm | Choir Practice |
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Saturday 8th December

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| 8:30 am | Ladies Breakfast Butts Green Garden Centre |
| 4.30pm | Bell Ringers Carol Service |
| 6.00 pm | Lighting of the Christmas Tree |

If you are a visitor to our church today, please make yourself known to Terry our Rector, Churchwardens 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

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**

Reading Jeremiah 33. 14-18

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

For thus says the LORD: David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel, and the Levitical priests shall never lack a man in my presence to offer burnt-offerings, to make grain-offerings, and to make sacrifices for all time.

Gospel Reading Luke 21. 25-36

'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.'

Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.'

'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that

will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

Post Communion Collect

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**

Soup and Sandwich Lunch Club Tuesday at 12 noon

It will be held from 12noon to 2pm in St. Andrews Room. The following one will be on the second Tuesday of January as the first Tuesday is New Year's Day. Please bring anyone along who would benefit from a group like this.

Ladies Breakfast Saturday 8th December

Ladies Breakfast Speaker Revd. Jacqui Jones Priest in Charge of Danbury and Little Baddow. 8.30am at Butts Green Garden Centre. Book you place on the list at the back of the church or telephone Janet on 01245 472997 by 5th December.

Lighting of the Christmas Tree Saturday 8th December 6pm

Lighting of the Christmas tree outside the church with carol singing followed by mince pies and hot Chocolate in church. Do try to support this event and bring friends and neighbours.

Christingle Service Sunday 9th December Christingle Service 4pm

Come and experience this service as we light the candles of the Christingle. On Sunday 9th December the 10am Service will be a Sung Eucharist

Sunday 16th December 6.30pm

Candle Lit Nine Lessons & Carol Service

Come again and hear the story of the first Christmas and see the church in all its glory. Arrive early to obtain a seat. Our Choir will be joined by our community choir and instrumentalists. Do try to support this and bring friends and neighbours to this service. There will be mulled wine and mince pies after the service.

Carol Singing at Baycroft on Monday 10th December

We have been invited to sing carols at 2.30pm to the residents and staff. We would like to form a small choir to help with the singing. If you are able to come please could you sign the list on the welcome table.

Saturday 15th December Southend Boys and Girls choir are giving a concert at St. Bartholomew the Great London at 7pm

Tickets are only £11 for adults and children under 16 get if for just £1. We are running a coach from Southend if that helps anyone, leaving at midday to allow some shopping/sightseeing time, before the concert at 7pm. Please sign the list.