

Please Pray for

- In the Christians together in Chelmsford Prayer diary we pray for Meadgate Church and Revd. Tim Ball and his congregation.
- In our Prayer diary we pray for Valarie Grimwood & John Weir
- Baptism Family Ryan, Catherine and Lewis Goodey
- For Jodie, Chris, Oliver & Harry O'Driscoll
- Revd Paul Stern, Pam Knott and congregation of Howe Green URC Church
- The Women's Institute Celia Kerslake & Julie Fisher
- For the Citizens Advice Bureau
- For all who live in Sandon Brook Manor
- For all those involved in the Bible Course on Wednesday evening and Thursday morning
- Give thanks for the generosity of so many people in donating food to the Food bank
- For all our Christmas Services then many will hear the message of Christmas
- For Peace in the Holy land this Christmas
- 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 & Dan and others known to us.
- Those who have died recently, especially, Christine Farrar, Trina Cotton, Peggie Ginn, Nancy Standen, Graham Prosser, Edna Griffiths & Margaret Gray 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.

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Regular Pattern of Worship

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 9th December
Advent 2**

8am Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher Revd. Terry Brown
Eucharistic Minister Gill Hodge
Reader Gill Hodge

10am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher Revd. Terry Brown
Eucharistic Minister Janet Terry
Reader Gill Haddington
Prayers Revd. Pat Cotton
Sides Persons David Farrar/Kim Davies
Refreshments Judy & Richard Cecil

4pm Christingle Service

Next Sunday

10am Sung Eucharist
6.30pm Nine Lessons and Carols
During the Week

Tuesday 10th December

2.30pm Carol Singing at Baycroft
7.30pm Community Choir Practice

Tuesday 11th December

9:30 am Holy Communion followed by refreshments
12.30pm Christmas Lunch
7:45 pm Bell Ringing Practice
7:30 pm Explorer Scouts (Village Hall)

Wednesday 12th December

1pm Tiny Tots
7.30pm Bible Course in SAR

Thursday 13th December 8:30 am

8.30am Compass Churches Morning Service Sandon
10am Bible Course in SAR
5:00 pm Beaver Scouts (Village hall)
6:30 pm Cub Scouts (Village Hall)

Friday 14th December

7.30pm Choir Practice

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, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. **Amen**

Reading Malachi 3. 1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

Gospel Reading Luke 3. 1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."' '

Post Communion Collect

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet

him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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.

W.I. Carol Service Thursday 20th December at 2pm

This is an open invitation to anyone who would like to attend this year's Carol Service. All are welcome

Beer and Carols Tuesday 18th December 7pm at the Crown

Come to this annual event in the Crown. Do try to bring a friend or a neighbour.

Wednesday 12th December Holy Dusters 10am

It would be good to have as much help as possible to help clean the church ready for Christmas. If you can give an hour then that would be great. We have dusting, silver and bras cleaning and polishing. All equipment is supplied.

CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL VISIT OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY Sunday, 13 January 2019 at 3.30 pm

The Archbishop of Canterbury is coming to preach at Evensong here at Chelmsford Cathedral on Sunday, 13 January 2019 at 3.30 pm. His theme will be 'Making Better Lives'. The service will last about an hour and will be followed by a reception hosted by the Cathedral and the Mayor of Chelmsford.