



The Church of England is all about building community, caring for people in need, and sharing the life changing love of Jesus Christ.

**In the Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for:**  
The Anglican Communion around the world and for Archbishop Justin Welby.

**In the Christians together in Chelmsford cycle of prayer we remember:** Little Waltham URU and all who worship there.

**In St Andrew's prayer diary we remember:** Ron Woods; Chris Davies; Rosemary & Stuart McKay; the recently baptised & those preparing for baptism; Richard and all who help with the parish magazine; the YMCA; all who have lost dear ones recently; prisoners recently released; all who live in Rectory Chase.

**The sick and those who have asked for prayer:** Shirley Cartwright, James, Daisy, Emily, Barbara Parish, Stuart, Betty Lawrence, Ian & Barbara Underwood, Ann Elwell, Jeanette Burrell, Reg Horscroft, Peter Willsher, Michael Hodge, Alison Martin, June Hayes, Peter Lambert and Joyce; and all those affected by coronavirus.

**We remember those who have died recently:** especially Dennis Terry, Grace Mallinder, Diana Rushton, Janet Cook, Shelia Alision-Lawton and for all those who have died of Coronavirus and others known to us. Also, those whose years mind fall during May. 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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**The Parish Church of  
St. Andrew, Sandon  
A Member of the 'Compass'  
Group of Churches**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2020  
Sunday after Ascension**

**St Andrew's Church building  
remains closed  
You can join Terry and Caroline  
on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30am  
and Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May at 9.30am  
See the website and 'online services'**

Collect

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Reading Acts 1: 6 - 14

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had

entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

### Gospel John 17: 1 - 11

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

### Post Communion

We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples. Amen.

Don't forget there is Morning, Evening and Night Prayer services for you to use. These are found on the Church Website under reports.

## Notices

Please contact Terry or one of the Wardens if you need **Prayer or practical help**.

### Support for the NHS

Thursdays at 8pm – clap for NHS and care staff

The Church of England has produced a booklet on Mental Health which is worth looking at. This can be downloaded from our website.

### Help Identify the Next Bishop of Chelmsford

The process to discern who God is calling to be the next Bishop of Chelmsford is now underway. A diocesan consultation will open on the 11 May and submissions are welcome from individuals as well as parishes and church groups. We will be holding a zoom meeting on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June at 7.30pm** to discuss and inform a submission from our parish. You can find out more about the process and the consultation on the Chelmsford diocese website. It also includes a prayer for discernment which we encourage you to say as we embark on this important period for our diocese. Please try to attend the meeting.

### On line services

Sundays 10.30am 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Morning Worship  
Communion

Please join us from 10am so that you will not miss any of the service and have a chance to speak to members of the congregation.

Tuesdays 9.30am 1<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Morning Prayer  
Communion

### Ecochurch

We plan to meet via zoom on Wednesday afternoons from 3pm to 4.30pm starting on 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Go to St Andrew's website to join.

For more information see  
<https://ecochurch.arochoa.org.uk/>

**Get to zoom services and events by going to the St Andrew's website, click on 'online services and events' tab and then click on the relevant service or event in the right hand column. It will work from 30 minutes before the start.**

**If you would like to phone in to services/events from your landline, please ring Richard & Judy 01245 224747 a few days before the service/event for details.**