

## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May

- 08.00 Holy Communion at St Mary's  
10.30 Morning Worship with Communion  
at The Chapel  
11.00 Parish Eucharist at St Mary's  
13.00 Baptism of Noah Baines at St Mary's

## Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May

**NO** Celtic Morning Prayer at St Andrew's

## Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May

- 19.30 Ascension Day Service at St Andrew's  
Church, Sandon – see panel



## Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May

- 11.00 Parish Eucharist at St Mary's

## Sharing in Ministry at St Mary's & The Chapel

### At St Mary's

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**PCC Treasurer** Graham Lennard  
**Reader** Brian Gilders  
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**Organist** David Bayley  
**Pianist:** Lara Clapp

### At The Chapel

**Minister:** Vacancy  
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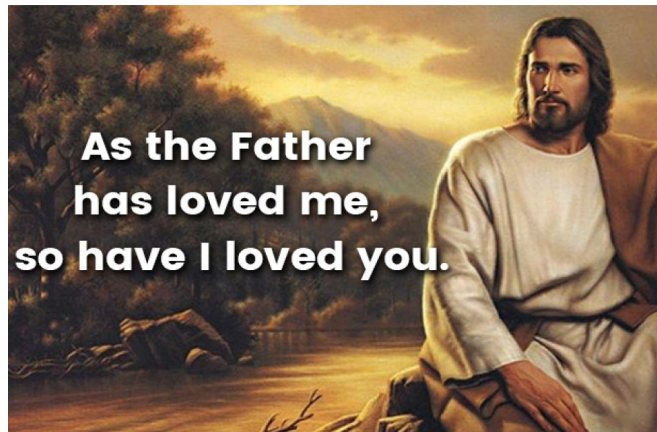
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8th May – Deadline for articles for LB News



**Thy Kingdom Come**  
Ascension Day to Pentecost  
9<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May  
Pray for five people to come  
to know the love of Jesus  
Light up the world in prayer



## The Churches in Little Baddow

*St Mary the Virgin (C of E)*  
*(One of The Compass Churches)*

*and*

*The Chapel (URC)*

[www.littlebaddowchurches.org.uk](http://www.littlebaddowchurches.org.uk)

*5<sup>th</sup> May 2024*

**SIXTH SUNDAY of EASTER**

## Welcome

To our churches today and our ecumenical  
**Pew News**

If you are a visitor to our Church or Chapel today,  
please make yourself known to our Ministers,  
Sidespeople or Stewards. You are warmly invited to  
join us for coffee, tea and biscuits after the Service  
(before the Service on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at St Mary's)

## INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for those known to you who are unwell,  
sad or anxious at this time and for the people who  
care for them.

✠ Remember too, the faithful departed,  
commending them to God's love and mercy:

Your prayers are also asked for all that is going on  
in our village community, for each other and for  
those who minister to us

**For 5 minutes before the Service PLEASE allow yourself  
time to be quiet and permit others to keep a time of  
prayerful preparation to worship our Lord Jesus Christ**

**A HEARING AID LOOP SYSTEM OPERATES  
DURING SERVICES IN CHURCH**

## COLLECT

God our redeemer,  
you have delivered us from the power of  
darkness and brought us into the kingdom of  
your Son:  
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us  
to life, so by his continual presence in us he  
may raise us to eternal joy;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is  
alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our Father,  
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of  
eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring  
of life and source of goodness, through him  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever Amen

## READINGS

### Acts 10: 44-end

#### Gentiles Receive the Holy Spirit

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup>The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, <sup>46</sup>for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, <sup>47</sup>'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' <sup>48</sup>So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

### John 15: 9-17

#### Jesus the True Vine

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12</sup>This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.



## COLLECT – Ascension Day

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that as we believe your only-begotten Son our  
Lord Jesus Christ  
to have ascended into the heavens,  
so we in heart and mind may also ascend  
and with him continually dwell;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER – Ascension Day

God our Father,  
you have raised our humanity in Christ and  
have fed us with the bread of heaven:  
mercifully grant that, nourished with such  
spiritual blessings, we may set our hearts in  
the heavenly places;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## READINGS – Ascension Day

### Acts 1: 1-11

#### The Promise of the Holy Spirit

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup>until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This', he said, 'is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup>for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.'

#### The Ascension of Jesus

<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' <sup>7</sup>He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>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.' <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards 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.'

### Luke 24: 44-end

#### Jesus Appears to His Disciples

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that

everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' <sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup> and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup> and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup> And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.'

### The Ascension of Jesus

<sup>50</sup> Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. <sup>51</sup> While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup> And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; <sup>53</sup> and they were continually in the temple blessing God.



### Ascension Day – 9<sup>th</sup> May



An Ascension Day Service will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May at St Andrew's Church, Sandon  
 Celebrant and Preacher  
 Ven. Jonathan Croucher  
 Archdeacon of Chelmsford  
 All are welcome



Christian Aid Week 12-19 May  
**Poverty pushed Aline to the brink of survival.**

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**Village Coffee Morning**  
**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 10-12noon**  
**at St Andrew's Room**  
**Come and chat with friends, old and new, over coffee and cake**



**Chelmsford Foodbank**  
[www.chelmsford.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.chelmsford.foodbank.org.uk)

Next Foodbank delivery is on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May**  
 Please leave donations in the porches of Cock Farm or Sandpit Cottage by **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May**

#### List of needed items

UHT Fruit Juice	Cereal bars
Tinned pulses.	Sponge puddings, not chilled
Pasta sauce	Ladies & men's deodorant
UHT Milk cartons	Instant custard sachets
Laundry tablets/pods	Instant mashed potatoes
Washing up liquid	Tinned vegetables

**'Pints of View'**  
**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May**  
**7.30pm - Face to face**  
**Contact Mark Button for venue**  
**(07743 638632)**  
**Men's discussion group over a pint**



Little Baddow Open Gardens  
 Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May  
 11am – 5pm  
 An excellent day out for all



Offers of help to Peter Martin 01245 223624

2<sup>nd</sup> June Farewell Service for Revd Terry Brown  
 3pm at St Andrew's Church, Sandon

**Music at St Mary's**  
 7.30pm on **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June**

**The King's Men**  
**(Choral scholars of King's College Choir)**  
 Performing music, both sacred and secular  
 A concert for the whole family to enjoy

Light refreshments  
 Free admission with voluntary donations  
 towards the Church Music Fund  
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