

Sunday 14th January – Baptism of Christ

- 10.00 Parish Eucharist at St Mary's
10.00 Morning Worship at St John's
18.30 United Evening Service at St Andrew's

Monday 15th

- 09.00 Celtic Morning Prayer at St Andrew's

Thursday 18th

- 08.30 Compass Churches Morning Prayer at St Mary's, Little Baddow
10.00 House Communion at Oak Fold, The Ridge
11.15 Morning Prayer Meeting at St John's

Sunday 21st January

- 08.00 Holy Communion at St Mary's
10.00 **United Third Sunday Service at St Mary's**
celebrating Christian Unity
10.00 Parish Eucharist at St John's
12.00 Baptism at St John's – Oliver Ewan Fullbrook

Sharing in Ministry at St Mary's

Churchwarden John Wheeldon

Peter Martin

PCC Secretary Pat Breeze

PCC Treasurer Richard Godden

Readers: Brian Gilders

Charles Cope

Honorary Assistant

Priests: Revd Canon Christine McCafferty

Revd Chris Poulard

Pastoral Asst Alison Buchanan [223181]

Organist David Bayley

Pianists Lara Clapp

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Breaking News

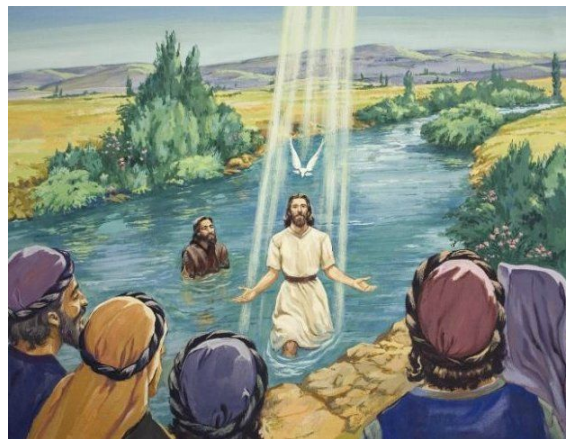
The Profile for both churches is complete and is available on the website

www.littlebaddowchurches.org.uk

The advert for a new priest for our two parishes has been placed in the Church Times and on the Diocesan website.

Please pray for all involved and for a good outcome.

The Fundraising Bookshop is doing so well that, at the moment, supply is outstripping demand! Please hold on to your books for the time being.



The Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin Little Baddow

One of the Compass Churches Group

www.littlebaddowchurches.org.uk

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BAPTISM OF CHRIST

Welcome

If you are a visitor to one of our Churches today, please make yourself known to our Sidespeople and Ministers. You are warmly invited to join us for coffee, tea and biscuits which are served after the Service.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Church of England welcomes to all service of Holy Communion (Eucharist), baptized and communicant members of other Trinitarian Churches who are in good standing with their own community

Anyone who does not wish to receive Holy Communion is invited to come forward for a blessing. Please HOLD A SERVICE BOOK in your hands to indicate you wish to receive a blessing.

If you are unable to walk to the Communion rail but would like to receive Communion, please inform the Sidespeople or Churchwardens; Communion can be brought to you. *Gluten free bread is also available*

INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for those whose names are on the Sunday Pew Sheet and those known to you who are unwell at present:

Sylvie Bartlett; Elisabeth Bourn; Vicki & David Briggs; Margaret Browne; Peggy Cooke; Pat & Mick Herniman; Christine Hutchins; Helen Miller

✠ Please also remember the faithful departed, commending them to God's love and mercy:
Ann Brocklebank; Jane Forbes (Ros Ford's sister); Sue Leaver; Ted Sloper

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

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COLLECTS

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children;
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

Heavenly Father,
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen

READINGS

Baptism of Christ
Acts 19: 1-7

Paul in Ephesus

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. ² He said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?' They replied, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.'³ Then he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They answered, 'Into John's baptism.'⁴ Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.'⁵ On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ⁶ When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— ⁷ together there were about twelve of them.

Mark 1: 4-11

The Baptism of Jesus

⁴ John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶ Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming

after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸ I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

⁹ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

St Mary's Quiz Night



- a 'not to be missed' event

7.30pm Friday 19th January

at the Memorial Hall

Tickets £7 ea. from John – 221352

or Wendy – 223873

Avoid disappointment - Book now!

NEW: Third Sunday Service

Fellowship

Worship

Discussion

**Topic for 21st January is
Christian Unity**

Traidcraft

Coffee Morning

13th January

10-12 noon

at St Andrew's Rooms, Little Baddow



Buy fairly-traded goods over a cup of coffee and a natter

Advance Notice

Saturday 10th February at St John's, Danbury

Compass Churches Commissioning Service

preceded by workshops and a 'bring and share' lunch, starting at 10.30am