Sunday 19th May

09.30 Parish Eucharist

Those who are not attending St John's can watch live (or later) on YouTube. The link is below and on the church website.

https://youtube.com/live/4qyUryci8JQ

Monday 20th

14.00 Connect Group in St John's Meeting Room

All welcome for cuppa, cake & chat 2pm-4pm

15.30 Funeral of Gordon Cridland at Chelmsford Crematorium

Thursday 23rd

11.15 Holy Communion at St John's

Friday 24th

12.15 Lunchtime Concert - please see notice

Sunday 26th TRINITY SUNDAY

08.00 Holy Communion 09.30 Café Praise

The Churchwardens of St Andrew's Church, invite you - and those you know - to mark Terry's last service at St Andrew's, Sandon on 2nd June 2024 at 3:00 pm followed by refreshments at Sandon Village Hall.

RSVP to Richard Cecil cecil.family@clara.net

Andy Horne andyhorne57@gmail.com

Sharing in Ministry at St John's

Priest in Charge (Danbury and Little Baddow)

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Treasurer: Alan Dixon 225208

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PENTECOST/WHIT SUNDAY

09.30 Parish Eucharist

Readings: Acts 2:1-21 John 15:26-27 & 16:4b-15

Hymns:

Introit Hymn 237 Christians, lift up your hearts

Gradual Hymn 358 Be still, for the presence of the Lord Offertory Hymn 258 O thou who camest from above Communion Hymn 235 Be present, Spirit of the Lord Sending out Hymn 257 O spirit of the living God

Thanks to Nick Pratt playing for us this morning

Refreshments will be available in the meeting room opposite the main Church door following the service this morning

Collect

God.

who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:

grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Faithful God,

who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Intercessions

Please pray for one another during this difficult time and those who you know are unwell at present: Pam Melville, Julie Barker, Catherine, Lisa Payne, Janet Bennet, Margaret Cockerill, Shirley Vale, Alan Harley

and please remember the faithful departed, commending them to God's love and mercy: Margaret Clarke, Gordon Cridland, Ann Spenser, Alan Barker

If anyone wants to add someone to St John's prayer list please contact Jacqui or Jenny Molyneux-Berry 01245 223231



Quiet Day at Othona Saturday 8th June 10:00 - 16:00

The Othona Community, East End Road, Bradwell-on-Sea, CM0 7PN Revd Andy Griffiths has agreed to lead this day.

His theme will be "Seeing Jesus"

£24 per head includes lunch and drinks.

To book a place please send Richard Cecil a message: richard@cecil.family.clara.net - 07972 696767.

Readings

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. 5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' 13 But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' 14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 17 "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

John 15:26-27 & 16:4b-15

²⁶ 'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷ You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. 4'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. 5 But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" ⁶ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷ Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. 8 And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: ⁹ about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰ about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; 11 about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. 12 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.



Lunchtime Concert Friday 24th May

David Burgoyne started the whole ball rolling as the first performer of our Friday lunchtime programme way back on 13th September 2019! Now living in Sheffield David continues to return to Essex from

time to time and brings with him on Friday a new solo project. 'A concert of piano and synthesizers, reimagined pieces and originals. Soundscapes and ethereal atmosphere mix with contemporary classical and jazz.

The Venerable David Lowman will be guest preacher at the Flower Festival Eucharist on **Sunday 23rd June at 10am** followed by splendid refreshments where we will raise a glass to Jenny and Bob Molyneux Berry



Flower Festival - 'Beauty of the Earth' 21st - 24th June

HELP NEEDED PLEASE for the following:-

Cleaning the church on Tuesday June 18th
10am to 2pm

to make us look less dusty and less spidery!!

Coffee and cake will be provided.

Stewarding the Festival 21st – 24th.

Please contact Joan Graham if you can help in any way – 01245 225744/07877698879 Joan graham@hotmail.co.uk



It is that time of year again, and another opportunity to share some of our comforts with so many that have little or nothing. However big or small your cash donations are, together lives can be uplifted. To make a donation, use our "Red Envelopes" which are available in the Church Porch or the On-Line by going on-line and clicking on –

https://www.justgiving.com/page/sean-obyrne-1711196476592

Also, if you have a "Small Change Pot or Jar" you could donate, Phone Sean on 01245 226666 or Mark on 07730300894 for collection, or bring it to Church, marked Christian Aid.

Thank you in anticipation. Danbury Christian Aid Group