

MAY 2010

In the light of God's call, and our situation here, our vision is: To glorify and worship God and to further his kingdom on earth; To declare and show the love of Christ for all people to the people of Sandon; To teach, encourage and help people to be disciples of Christ; To proclaim Christ's Gospel to the people of Sandon and the wider world; To encourage commitment and personal growth in Christian discipleship and spirituality;

To channel God's love through service and care for all.

SUNDAY SERVICES (Please see Church notice board and Newssheet for variations)

8 00am	Holy Communion	(Third Sunday)
9.00am	Sung Eucharist	(Except Third Sunday)
10.30am	Family Service	(Third Sunday)
6.30pm	Evensong (Traditional)	(First Sunday)
6.30pm	Evensong (Alternative)	(Third Sunday)
Fifth Sunday	Joint Eucharist either at Sandon or Little Baddow	

#### WEEKDAY SERVICES

9.15am Holy Communion. Wednesday

#### REGULAR ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS

Tuesday	10.30am - Noon	Coffee & Chat.
	3.45 pm - 5.15 pm	SALT for children (4-7yrs)
		and their families (in term time)
	6.30pm - 9.15pm	Youth Fellowship (Village Hall).
	7.45pm	Bell ringers.
Wednesday	2.00pm - 3.30pm	Tiny Tots
Friday	7.30pm - 8:30pm	Choir Practice.

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#### Dear Friends

Please pray for the outcome of the General Election on the 6th of this month, a day which will affect every person in this country and also has international implications. I think it is impossible for Christians to separate their faith from politics because Christ's teaching should inform and change our personal values and our relationship with every man, woman and child. Being a good neighbour is surely about seeking justice for my neighbour. What's good for me and my family is surely what we would wish for others too. Politics gives us a chance to care practically for others, whether it be in international development issues and implementing policies which reduce climate change or in local issues which effect housing provision and jobs. There is no shortage of people in British history for whom faith was their moral compass. From William Wilberforce to William Booth, the Christian faith has been a springboard for people who have sought social change. Without them we would not enjoy the standard of living we enjoy today but for the sake of many in our society we still have a long way to go.

There are many who have suffered in the global recession. Surely, we should choose a government that will not pass by on the other side, turning a blind eye to unfairness, inequality and injustice. The opportunity we have to vote is not to be undervalued and is a great privilege. Whatever government we vote in, let us pray that they will make real efforts to help the weak and the vulnerable amongst us for that is what Christ would have us do.

Is it not also our personal responsibility to make real efforts to help the weak and the vulnerable amongst us and in the wider world? We criticize our politicians for talking about improved policies and not fulfilling the talk, we would all do better as Christian disciples if we were to walk the walk and not just talk the talk. Let's be honest, we appreciate the patience of others when we make mistakes in the walk, so rather than being a harsh critical voice let us also be patient with our political representatives and support them as they learn to walk in government.

Love and prayers, Clive

#### ST ANDREW'S CHURCH – SANDON PARISH DIARY: MAY.

SUN. 2nd <u>5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER</u>

9:00am Parish Eucharist

6:30pm Choral Evensong

SUN. 9th <u>6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER</u>

9:00am Parish Eucharist

Thurs. 13th **ASCENSION DAY** 

8:00pm Chelmer-Crouch Group Ascension Day

service at Sandon.

SUN. 16th 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10:30am Family Service

6:30pm Celtic Evening Prayer

SUN. 23rd <u>PENTECOST</u>

9am Parish Eucharist

SUN. 30th TRINITY SUNDAY

10:30am United Parish Eucharist at Little Baddow

On-line information: St, Andrew's Church, Sandon: <a href="www.sandon-church.info">www.sandon-church.info</a>

Sandon Parish Council: www.sandon.info

#### **JUNE MAGAZINE:**

The closing date for next month's magazine will be Wednesday 19 May 2010. Ed.

#### DAPHNE TOVEY

As Christians we are encouraged to love each other. It was easy to love Daphne. A very kind, gracious and talented lady. Someone who, during her life, had time for us all.

We are now sad today as we say 'goodbye' to Daphne and offer our sympathy, support and love to Nick her husband, her daughter Fenella and Peter. Fenella's children, Jenny, Nicholas and Michael. Her son Peter and Heather, and their children Rebecca and James, together with her sisters, Cynthia and Angela, their husbands, and all members of her family.

We will miss her and our lives will not be the same.

We should celebrate. Daphne's journey has ended. Her pain has gone and we have wonderful memories to share. Helping us through our grief.

I can only talk about the time from when we met Daphne, Nick, Fenella and Peter when we came, as a family, to Sandon in 1971.

The first thing I remember was the old Rover car - the Tovey Car of Many Colours (said to be those of West Ham) that sped into the church car park, from which the family spilled out to take up their places in the Church choir or to ring the bells.

As our families got older our friendship grew.

Daphne and her family were involved in everything happening at St Andrew's and also great sailors with the Marconi Sailing Club. These days her children and grandchildren still play a major part in supporting the club and sailing.

Daphne was then the first Head Teacher at the newly built Beehive Lane Primary School.

Whilst Head, Daphne volunteered her support to paint the SAYF pantomime sets. I can remember the back-drops spread out all over the school hall floor drying out. Daphne used the water-type school paints. Never use them. Especially the Black - it would always show through years later. She painted wonderful, imaginative sets for 21 pantos. When she retired from school she carried on painting in barns at Sporhams and Mayfield Farms.

All through this period Daphne also worked with us on the annual SAYF youth festival. She did this for 25 years being a judge in the early years and then becoming an impeccable points' recorder. Nick and Daphne also presented the festival with the Tovey Music Award that the young musicians could compete for.

Daphne was a member of Sandon Wl for a long time and helped them with their annual competitions. She also was a committee member of Sandon Over Sixties Club and worked with them for a very long time and was greatly loved by its members. Her artistic talents were used by us all. She did something for most organisations in the village, especially the church stationery.

For the 1990 passion play The Stained Glass Window, Daphne painted 2 pictures - she included all members of the cast and I still have the paintings in our attic.

She was the first woman to be Church Warden at St Andrew's Sandon. The first lay woman with permission of the Bishop to administer the Chalice at Holy Communion. Secretary to the PCC. On the Readers and Intercession lists to take part in services. She was part of the team that saw us through the interregnum between Father Hugh Bevan and Father Stephen Foster. (Continued Page 6)

But - she still found time to be with the family she was so proud of and loved. With Nick - always a willing partner. Together they supported and encouraged as many church and village activities as they could. They helped with the Crib Service each year, Nick in charge of lights, Daphne putting the Holy Family in the Crib. I will always see in my mind, Daphne in a Father Christmas bobble hat gently arranging the crib figures. Still more - over the last years Daphne, Barbara Underwood and their helpers have organised our church flowers for the different festivals, weddings, funerals and the stunning Easter Lily displays. Susan Gammon, Daphne and Barbara were the driving force behind many successful and profitable flower festivals - quite a team. Daphne's other great love was her Saluki Dogs. She took Nick and the dogs all over the country. These beautiful dogs won many awards and their names were fantastic. We always watched Crufts to see if Daphne and the Dogs had made it. Birthday and Christmas cards from Daphne and Nick always included all the dogs" names. Ours just

Daphne was a member of the local Chelmsford and District Canine Club. Also she was a member of the National Saluki OR Gazelle Club.

You would think that she never had time spare to spend on her family but she did. They are now grown up, married with children. All show some of Daphne's talents and I know that her grandchildren loved and appreciated her very much. Each will remember their special "Granny" times.

We will each remember Daphne in our own way. I am sure many have wonderful memories.

Just one more from me. At a New Year's Eve party Nick brought the hand bells to chime in the new year. I will not forget the intense concentration on her face as Daphne waited to ring her bell. The tiniest one, rung in exactly the right place.

As families we have been at each other's special celebrations such as new year, birthdays, weddings etc. I suppose it can be said that we became classed as relatives to the Tovey family when Prince Charming (Peter Tovey) kissed Sleeping Beauty (Heather Ellis) and they REALLY GOT MARRIED.

Daphne has had wonderful support from her dear family and friends. She had sympathetic caring from Farleigh Hospice and others who cared for her and from Father Keith who ministered to her.

I know that if she could - Daphne would be writing you those wonderful thank you letters she would always send.

You are with God now Daphne. We love you and celebrate your life with us. Peter Ellis

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Ron Woods

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This will take place on the 30th of May, (which is a Saturday!!) and be between Little Baddow and Sandon.

We plan to start in the Church car park at Little Baddow at about 10.15.a.m.and walk to Sandon where lunch will be taken.

We will then return to Little Baddow, retrieve our cars and come back to Sandon. David Farrar



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#### **HOWE GREEN UNITED REFORMED CHURCH**

We shall be celebrating our Church Anniversary on Sunday 16 May.

The service will be at our usual time of 11.00 a.m. and will be led by Phil and Doreen Blowers (from Maldon). You are all invited to come along to this service and join in the celebration.

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#### **SANDON W.I. MEETING - APRIL 2010**

The President, Eileen Bartrup, welcomed members, visitors and our Speaker Mr Brian Carline. She thanked Joan Mears for the flowers, and Jerusalem was then sung. Eileen then referred to the fact that two of our long standing members, Joan Davies and Daphne Tovey had recently died and been buried in Sandon Churchyard, and the Committee suggested that we should plant some Spring Bulbs in the memorial garden planted to celebrate our 90th birthday in memory of these two ladies.

The Speaker in March on English Cheeses had been very interesting and the Village Clean up had removed quite a lot of litter. The forms for the Bulb Scheme had arrived, there will be a new Speakers day on June 25th, and Maria is organising a trip to Denman for the Open Day on June 29th. The Mildmay group meeting is being convened by Sandon next Thursday and the Inter-Institute quiz will be on 14th May with the final ( if we get that far) on July 2nd. Sadly we had received a letter from Walberswick WI saying that although we had corresponded with them for many years, they felt that there was little point in continuing as there seemed to be little hope of meeting again, and they thanked Pat Eden for her interesting letters.

The Speaker, Brian Carline then giving a very amusing talk about his 34 years as a Schoolmaster and was thanked by Dorothy Gray.. After tea, the report of the Count Annual meeting, written by Val Chiswell, but read in her absence by Margaret Gill was given. 1550 members attended the meeting held at the Brentwood centre, where they were welcomed by the Mayor of Brentwood and Julie Alen the County Chairman. The Treasurer said the accounts showed a profit, and George Mills and Dwyn Hendry spoke about George's continuing work for the children of Chernobyl, and he thanked the Federation for their support over the years. In the Chairman's report, Julie said how quickly the last four years had gone, and how healthy Essex is with 8 new WIs, and 2 more in the planning stage. She ended by urging members to be forward looking and to accept change, a message which was repeated by the new National Chairman Ruth Bond, making her first official visit to Essex. She said how the WI could exert its influence for good, and spoke of her visit to Malawi, and also to the Copenhagen climate change conference where due to a beurocratic mistake, she was refused entry! The results of the ACWW bag competition were announced, and Rose Jewett of Sandon WI was delighted that Julie Alen had bought her bag! The resolution for the AGM is on correct labelling of food and it was announced that June Ward is to be the new County Chairman. The afternoon Speaker was Ann Widdicombe who gave an amusing talk, but with a number of serious points. Anne Nickol then thanked the Institute for awarding her a Bursary to go to Denman College, and she had brought along some examples of the work she had done, and urged any member who had a chance to go to the College to take it as it is a lovely experience. The Flower of the Month was won by Marlene Bishop, and there were some lovely knitted and crocheted children's garments on display.

The next meeting will be on May 13th when the Resolution for the AGM will be discussed. A light lunch will be served at 12.45, but please let a Committee member know if you are coming.

Anne Nickol

#### **Jokes** (With thanks to Dennis Terry)

#### Lesson in Lying

A minister told his congregation, "Next week I plan to preach about the sin of lying. To help you understand my sermon, I want you all to read Mark 17."

The following Sunday, as he prepared to deliver his sermon, the minister asked for a show of hands. He wanted to know how many had read Mark 17. Every hand went up. The minister smiled and said, "Mark has only sixteen chapters. I will now proceed with my sermon on the sin of lying."

#### **Visiting Pastor**

A pastor went out one Saturday to visit his church members. At one house, it was obvious that someone was home, but nobody came to the door even though the preacher knocked several times. Finally, the preacher took out his card, wrote out "Revelation 3:20" on the back of it, and stuck it in the door

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with me. - Revelation 3:20

The next day, the card turned up in the collection plate. Below the preacher's message was written the following notation:

I heard your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself. - Genesis 3:10

#### Sermon

A pastor, known for his lengthy sermons, noticed a man get up and leave during the middle of his message. The man returned just before the conclusion of the service. Afterwards the pastor asked the man where he had gone.

"I went to get a haircut," was the reply.

"But," said the pastor, "why didn't you do that before the service?"

"Because," the gentleman said, "I didn't need one then."

#### From the Registers - January to April 2010

#### Marriage

John Paul Harnett & Dyan Elizabeth Tokelëy - 3rd April 2010

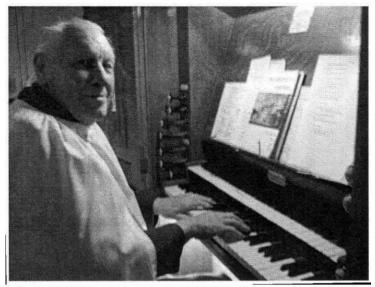
#### Burials

Joan Louise Davies – 23rd February 2010

Daphne Francis Tovey - 24th March 2010

#### St. Andrew's Youth Fellowship

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# My Favourite Hymn - Ron Woods

Whilst I enjoy all hymns, I think my favourite must be that lovely evening hymn - 'The day thou gavest Lord is ended'. It was also a favourite of my late wife, Betty - it was sung at her funeral. Whilst the words relate to the end of the day, it can also relate to the end of life and is increasingly used at funerals. Being one of the organists at the crematorium, I have sometimes played it three or four times in a day - and yet I do not tire of it.

The words were written by John Ellerton (1826-93) who, in 1885, served for four years as incumbent of the parish of White Roding. The music was written by Clement Scholefield (1839-1904), also ordained and Vicar of Holy Trinity, Knightsbridge, in the early 1900s. I have read that Queen Victoria chose this hymn to be sung at the 60th anniversary of her reign in 1897. It was also sung at the ceremony when Britain returned control of Hong Kong to China in 1997. This shows that it is still a favourite after all these years. One wonders whether the name of the tune 'St Clement' has some connection with the Christian name of the composer.

The hymn seems to speak about the world-wide church worshipping God and one is reminded of Christ's words: 'When two or three are gathered together in my name, I am in the midst of them.' The words are as relevant today as when they were written.

(Ron is organist at Sandon and attends Evensong at the Cathedral)

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Wednesdays	6.00pm	1st Sandon Brownies in the Village Hall		
Last Wednesday	2.00 - 4.15pm	Over Sixties Club.		
Thursdays	5.00 - 6.15pm	Beaver Cubs in the Village Hall.		
	6.15 - 7.45pm	1st Sandon Cub Scouts in Village Hall.		
	8.00 - 9.30pm	Sandon Scouts in the Village Hall		
2nd Thursday	2.00pm	Women's Institute in the Village Hall.		

Please inform the editor of any alterations.

The editor is pleased to accept notices, reports and articles from any Village organisation, whether or not connected with the Church. Inclusion of any such items is at the Editor's sole discretion. Verbal requests for insertions cannot be accepted.

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