

Sunday 24th March – Palm Sunday

11.00 United Parish Eucharist at St Mary's
with Choir

Monday 25th March

09.00 Celtic Morning Prayer at St Andrew's

Maundy Thursday 28th March

10.00 Maundy Thursday Eucharist Service
at St Mary's

Good Friday 29th March

10.00 Ecumenical Good Friday Service at the
Memorial Hall, North Hill

10.00 Messy Easter Workshop and Celebration
at St Andrew's



Sunday 31st March – Easter Day

10.30 United Easter Day Service with Communion
at The Chapel

Sharing in Ministry at St Mary's & The Chapel

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Doreen's Funeral Service will take place at 10am
on Friday 22nd March at Chelmsford Crematorium



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

24th & 28th March 2024

PALM SUNDAY

MAUNDY THURSDAY

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 3rd 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

Almighty and everlasting God,
who in your tender love towards the human
race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death
upon the cross:
grant that we may follow the example of his
patience and humility, and also be made
partakers of his resurrection;
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

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a
servant, and in obedience died on the cross for
our salvation:
give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim
you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the
Father. Amen

READINGS

Mark 11: 1-11 – Litany of the Palms

Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at
Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of
Olives, he sent two of his disciples ² and said to
them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and
immediately as you enter it, you will find tied
there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it
and bring it. ³ If anyone says to you, "Why are
you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it
and will send it back here immediately."' ⁴ They
went away and found a colt tied near a door,
outside in the street. As they were untying
it, ⁵ some of the bystanders said to them, 'What
are you doing, untying the colt?' ⁶ They told
them what Jesus had said; and they allowed
them to take it. ⁷ Then they brought the colt to
Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on
it. ⁸ Many people spread their cloaks on the road,
and others spread leafy branches that they had
cut in the fields. ⁹ Then those who went ahead
and those who followed were shouting,
'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the
name of the Lord! ¹⁰ Blessed is the coming
kingdom of our ancestor David!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!' ¹¹ Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the
temple; and when he had looked around at
everything, as it was already late, he went out to
Bethany with the twelve.

Philippians 2: 5-11 – Liturgy of The Passion

Imitating Christ's Humility

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ
Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to
be exploited, ⁷ but emptied himself, taking the
form of a slave, being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form, ⁸ he humbled

Himself and became obedient to the point of
death—even death on a cross. Therefore God
also highly exalted him and gave him the name
that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name
of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and
on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every
tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Mark 15: 1-39

Jesus before Pilate

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held
a consultation with the elders and scribes and
the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him
away, and handed him over to Pilate. ² Pilate
asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' He
answered him, 'You say so.' ³ Then the chief
priests accused him of many things. ⁴ Pilate
asked him again, 'Have you no answer? See how
many charges they bring against you.' ⁵ But
Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was
amazed.

Pilate Hands Jesus over to Be Crucified

⁶ Now at the festival he used to release a
prisoner for them, anyone for whom they
asked. ⁷ Now a man called Barabbas was in
prison with the rebels who had committed
murder during the insurrection. ⁸ So the crowd
came and began to ask Pilate to do for them
according to his custom. ⁹ Then he answered
them, 'Do you want me to release for you the
King of the Jews?' ¹⁰ For he realized that it was
out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed
him over. ¹¹ But the chief priests stirred up the
crowd to have him release Barabbas for them
instead. ¹² Pilate spoke to them again, 'Then
what do you wish me to do with the man you
call the King of the Jews?' ¹³ They shouted back,
'Crucify him!' ¹⁴ Pilate asked them, 'Why, what
evil has he done?' But they shouted all the more,
'Crucify him!' ¹⁵ So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the
crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after
flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be
crucified.

The Soldiers Mock Jesus

¹⁶ Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of
the palace (that is, the governor's
headquarters); and they called together the
whole cohort. ¹⁷ And they clothed him in a purple
cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a
crown, they put it on him. ¹⁸ And they began
saluting him, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' ¹⁹ They
struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and
knelt down in homage to him. ²⁰ After mocking
him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and
put his own clothes on him. Then they led him
out to crucify him.

The Crucifixion of Jesus

²¹ They compelled a passer-by, who was coming
in from the country, to carry his cross; it was
Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and
Rufus. ²² Then they brought Jesus to the place
called Golgotha (which means the place of a

skull). ²³ And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. ²⁴ And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. ²⁵ It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. ²⁶ The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews.' ²⁷ And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹ Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, 'Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, ³⁰ save yourself, and come down from the cross!' ³¹ In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, 'He saved others; he cannot save himself. ³² Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.' Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

The Death of Jesus

³³ When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴ At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' ³⁵ When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'Listen, he is calling for Elijah.' ³⁶ And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, 'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.' ³⁷ Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. ³⁸ And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ³⁹ Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, 'Truly this man was God's Son!'

MAUNDY THURSDAY 28th March

COLLECT

God our Father,
you have invited us to share in the supper
which your Son gave to his Church
to proclaim his death until he comes:
may he nourish us by his presence,
and unite us in his love;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament
you have given us the memorial of your
passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries
of your body and blood that we may know
within ourselves and show forth in our lives
the fruit of your redemption, for you are alive
and reign, now and for ever Amen

READING

John 13:

Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ² The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³ Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴ got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵ Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. ⁶ He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?' ⁷ Jesus answered, 'You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.' ⁸ Peter said to him, 'You will never wash my feet.' Jesus answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.' ⁹ Simon Peter said to him, 'Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!' ¹⁰ Jesus said to him, 'One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you.' ¹¹ For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, 'Not all of you are clean.' ¹² After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, 'Do you know what I have done to you? ¹³ You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴ So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶ Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷ If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them

¹⁸ I am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have chosen. But it is to fulfil the scripture, "The one who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me." ¹⁹ I tell you this now, before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe that I am he. ²⁰ Very truly, I tell you, whoever receives one whom I send receives me; and whoever receives me receives him who sent me.'

Jesus Foretells His Betrayal

²¹ After saying this Jesus was troubled in spirit, and declared, 'Very truly, I tell you, one of you will betray me.' ²² The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he was speaking. ²³ One of his disciples—the one whom Jesus loved—was reclining next to him; ²⁴ Simon Peter therefore motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking. ²⁵ So while reclining next to Jesus, he asked him, 'Lord, who is it?' ²⁶ Jesus answered, 'It is the one to whom I give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish.' So when he had dipped the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas son of Simon Iscariot. ²⁷ After he received the piece of

bread, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, 'Do quickly what you are going to do.' ²⁸ Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him. ²⁹ Some thought that, because Judas had the common purse, Jesus was telling him, 'Buy what we need for the festival'; or, that he should give something to the poor. ³⁰ So, after receiving the piece of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night.

The New Commandment

³¹ When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³² If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³ Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one

another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

Jesus Foretells Peter's Denial

³⁶ Simon Peter said to him, 'Lord, where are you going?' Jesus answered, 'Where I am going, you cannot follow me now; but you will follow afterwards.' ³⁷ Peter said to him, 'Lord, why can I not follow you now? I will lay down my life for you.' ³⁸ Jesus answered, 'Will you lay down your life for me? Very truly, I tell you, before the cock crows, you will have denied me three times.



Ecumenical Lent Course

Last Session on **22nd March**
2.45 for 3pm at St Andrew's
Please note change of time

The Course, led by the Revd. Chris Poulard, is based on Bishop Michael Marshall's book

'Lent with the Beloved Disciple'

This Lent book has led us on a journey in the company of the 'beloved disciple' as found in the narrative of the Gospel of St John

Village Coffee Morning
Saturday 23rd March 10-12noon
at St Andrew's Room

Come and chat with friends, old and new, over coffee and cake



Messy Easter workshop and celebration

on
Good Friday, 29th March at 10am
in
St Andrews Rooms, Little Baddow



Creative activities for all ages
Hot cross buns and Easter egg hunt



Easter Services

28th March - Maundy Thursday
10am Maundy Thursday Service at *St Mary's*

Good Friday - 29th March
10am United Good Friday Service
at the *Memorial Hall*
10am Messy Church Easter Workshop and
Celebration
at *St Andrew's Room and Chapel*

31st March - Easter Day
10.30am United Easter Day Service at the
Chapel
With Communion



Chelmsford Foodbank
www.chelmsford.foodbank.org.uk

Next Foodbank delivery is on **Monday 8th April**
Please leave donations in the porches of Cock Farm
or Sandpit Cottage by **Sunday 7th April**

New 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 packets
Laundry tablets/pods	Instant mashed potatoes
Washing up liquid	Tinned vegetables