



Welcome to the Churches of Orsett, Bulphan and Horndon-on-the-Hill

Weekly notice sheet Sunday 12th December—3rd Sunday of Advent

8.45am CW Holy Communion Service and 10am Family Service, Orsett Church



At a Communion Service if you require gluten free wafers please let the minister know when you go forward to receive.

The 10am service may be recorded for our website. If you do not wish to be recorded please speak to a churchwarden.

If you attend a service because you wish to apply for a place for your child at a church school which requires a letter or Supplementary Information Form, please make sure, each time you attend, you sign the [red attendance book](#) which is available at the back of church.

If you attend a service to gain a Qualifying Connection in order to be married at any of the three churches, please make sure, each time you attend, you sign the [purple attendance book](#) which will be available at the back of church.

Today's Collect

God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son: give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

Dear Everyone,

Thank you to all those who enabled the Bulphan Christmas Bazaar to happen last week and to those who supported it. You will be pleased to know that it raised £380.

This weekend we have some more glowstick services. Details are on page 3 of the notices. Please do support these services if you are able to. Sadly, no one came to the service at Bulphan on Wednesday evening, other than the wardens and those who were organising and leading it, which was very disappointing.

On Sunday 19th, we have the Drive-in Carol Service at Arden Hall Farm in Horndon-on-the-Hill. So far, 26 cars have booked. There are 19 places left, so if you are thinking of coming please do get your tickets ASAP, details of how to order tickets are later in the notice sheet.

This Friday, at the Oasis Café, there will be extra stalls, a tombola, a raffle and eats and treats. Similarly, at the Woolmarket in Horndon-on-the Hill, on both 11th and 18th December there is a Christmas Fayre. Details of both of these are on page 2.

On Tuesday, 14th December, our 7.30pm Holy Communion Service will be replaced with a non-Eucharistic Service with prayers for healing. I encourage you to come along to this if you would like prayers for healing for yourself or for someone else, or to pray for those who are seeking healing. The service uses beautiful words from The Iona Community in Scotland. Please be assured that if you come, there is no need to share with anyone else what you might be seeking healing for.

And, don't forget our Blue Christmas Service at Orsett on Tuesday 21st December at 7.30pm which is a more reflective Christmas Service where we celebrate Christmas whilst recognising the difficulties that some people may have encountered over recent months and years. It is along similar lines to our annual Service of Commemoration and I know that Lisa Anderson has been creating some beautiful stars for this service.

And then, of course we have our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services details of which can be found on page 3.

Finally, on the subject of Christmas cards, this year I encourage you, rather than sending Christmas cards to other people at church, you consider making a donation to Centrepoin instead to benefit those who find themselves homeless this Christmas. Details of this can be found on page 3.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Take care and God bless,

Sue



Individual Private Prayer

The following churches are open for private prayer—10am to noon

Bulphan Church

Monday and Thursday

Free refreshments are available on

Horndon-on-the-Hill Church

Tuesday and Saturday

Monday, Tuesday and Saturday.



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Benefice Prayer course

The 8 week Prayer Course is held at The Orsett Churches Centre Chapel at 7pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month, dates below. It is free for anyone to come along to from Orsett, Bulphan or Horndon.

The course started on Tuesday 19th October 7-8pm, an eight week journey that will help you and your community to grow & deepen your prayer life.

5. Unanswered Prayer – 4th January 6. Contemplation – 18th January 7. Listening – 1st Feb
8. Spiritual warfare – 15th Feb

Each week there will be a video, discussion/questions and practical. If you've any questions please contact - Revd Sue at email rectorsue@hobnob.org.uk or Ring Lisa & Phil Anderson 07946 530379.



Tombola - Cake stall - Raffle - Eric-a-Brac - Refreshments and other stalls

Please join us at the

**ORSETT
CHURCHES'
CENTRE**

FRIDAY 10TH DECEMBER

9.00 - 11.30 am



Christmas Fayre and Coffee Morning

at The Woolmarket, High Road,
Horndon-on-the-hill

Saturday 11th December - 9.30am to 1pm

Saturday 18th December - 9.30am to 1pm

All proceeds from tea, coffee and cakes will be split between
St. Luke's Hospice and St. Peter and St. Paul's Church.

There will also be a pop up florist shop with
Christmas wreaths, gift ideas, plants, flowers
and homemade jams and chutneys.

Prayers for the week

Prayer Diary

- THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** Pray for the Church of England Guild of Vergers and give thanks for the work and devotion of the men and women who carry out this important task.
- Pray for:** *The Anglican Church of Canada*
- Prayers for the rest of the week can be found here-: <https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/uploads-new/publications/WePray-OctNov21.pdf>

Benefice prayer diary

Horndon Jean K, Florrie, Freda K, Steve B, Chris C, Nick T, Moira, Ivy
Orsett Joan M, Sue L, Lily B, Maureen D, Di B, Margaret C, Steve J
Bulphan Jim M
Other Kim L, Brooke, Pete, Elizabeth and Dottie and her family

Prayers for the recently bereaved

Horndon Barry, Karen and the family and friends of Suzarne Price
Orsett Jack, Jennifer and the family and friends of Jim Cooper, the family and friends of Thomas Charles Bartley, Gordon and the family and friends of Lynn Power-Berry, the family and friends of Andrea Sanders, Lin, Kelly and Jackie following the death of Frank Harrison, Doris, family and friends following the death of Ed Stoddart
Other Pam, Keith and family following the death of Jean Shaw,

Please let Revd Sue, Revd Max or Revd Moji know of people who are unwell or in need of pastoral support.



Hobnob Magazine

- January edition—Please submit articles to Ron by December 21st email: r.porter@hobnob.org.uk
- The online version of the magazine can be found on our website news page www.hobnob.org.uk/magazine

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At the heart of Christmas



UNITED BENEFICE OF ORSETT, BULPHAN AND HORNDON-ON-THE-HILL

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday 12th December

4pm and 7pm Indoor Glowstick Service at Horndon Church
5pm Outdoor Glowstick Service at Orsett Church

Sunday 19th December

4pm Drive in Carol Service at Benton's Farm, Horndon
This is a ticketed event (free) see poster how to order tickets

Tuesday 21st December

7.30pm Longest Night/Blue Christmas Service at Orsett Church

Friday 24th December

7pm Family Christmas Service at Orsett Church
8.30pm Holy Communion Service at Horndon Church
10pm Holy Communion Service at Bulphan Church

Saturday 25th December

10am Holy Communion Service at Orsett Church

Sunday 26th December

10am Holy Communion Service at Bulphan Church

There will be collection for the Children's Society at each Glowstick service

Drive-in Christmas Carols

The United Benefice of Orsett, Bulphan and Horndon-on-the-Hill Churches would love to invite you to our 'drive-in' Carol Service at Arden Hall Farm where we can celebrate Christmas together. There will be live music played by a brass ensemble and it will be suitable for all ages, with carols, readings and prayers.

Where possible, we ask you to fill your car with family and/or friends. Entry to the event is with a 'free' ticket and one ticket per car should be ordered, NOT one ticket per person. There will be a collection for the church after the service.

Please book tickets at www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/drive-in-carol-service-2021-tickets-207350800827
Tickets are limited and will be issued on a first come first served basis.

If anyone is unable to order a ticket online please ring Lynda on 07974 803471 and she will order one for you.

4pm Sunday 19th December
at Arden Hall Farm, Horndon on the Hill, SS17 8PZ

No Christmas Cards!

As part of our Ecochurch journey, to save paper, we would like to suggest instead of sending cards to other members of the congregation that we each make a donation to Centrepoin. For every £10 this charity receives they can provide a Christmas dinner, for a homeless young person to enjoy over the Christmas period in a safe environment.

If you would like to participate please give your donation next time you are attending a Church service or you can donate on-line at

<https://centrepoin.org.uk/donate/appeals/christmas-appeal-2021/>

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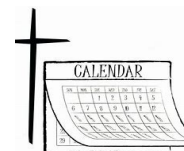
Diary Dates

Services

- This week (12th Dec) the Sunday Services are at Orsett Church, 8.45am CW Holy Communion service and 10am Family Service
- Sunday 12th December - Horndon Church Indoor Glowstick Services—4pm and 7pm
- Sunday 12th December - Orsett Church Outdoor Glowstick Service-5pm
- Tuesday 14th December - Bulphan Church Service with Prayers of Healing 7.30pm
- Sunday 19th December - Horndon Church 8.45am BCP Holy Communion Service and 10am All Together HC Service
- Sunday 19th December - Drive-in Carol Service 4pm, details earlier in this notice sheet
- Monday to Saturday—Morning Prayers 8.30am & Evening Prayers 7pm and are found on Facebook @HOBNOBChurches
- If you would like to listen to daily prayers, these can be heard at <https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps/time-to-pray>
- Daily Hope, a free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers can be found on 0800 8048044

Advance notices

- Friday 10th December Interment of Ashes of Thomas Charles Bartley at 2pm at Orsett Church
- Saturday 11th December Interment of Ashes of Frederick Hughes at 2pm at Horndon Church
- Tuesday 14th December 10.30am Funeral of Margaret St. Pier, Bowers Gifford Pitsea Crematorium
- Thursday 23rd December Interment of Ashes of Ron Smith at 11.00 at Bulphan Church
- Baptism preparation meetings, Monday 10th January 2022, 14th February and 14th March, held at 7.30pm in Orsett Church.



Eco Pause for Thought

Wrap presents with kindness for the environment. Shiny, foil wrapping 'paper' and ribbon can't be recycled and will go to landfill. Try wrapping in beautiful, seasonal scarves or decorating reusable cloth bags, or with ribbons around newspaper. Also remember that glittery Christmas cards aren't recyclable and will spend their lives in landfill.



Bible Readings for this week

Principal Service

Sunday

Zephaniah 3.14-end
Philippians 4.4-7

Psalm 146.4-end
Luke 3.7-18

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
Monday	Psalm 40 Isaiah 38.1-8, 21-22 Matthew 16.13-end	Psalm 26 Isaiah 49.14-25 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11	Tues	Psalm 70 Isaiah 38.9-20 Matthew 17.1-13	Psalm 50 Isaiah 50 1 Thessalonians 5.12-end
Weds	Psalm 75 Isaiah 39 Matthew 17.14-21	Psalm 82 Isaiah 51.1-8 2 Thessalonians 1	Thurs	Psalm 76 Zephaniah 1.1-2.3 Matthew 17.22-end	Psalm 44 Isaiah 51.9-16 2 Thessalonians 2
Friday	Psalm 98 Zephaniah 3.1-13 Matthew 18.1-20	Psalm 49 Isaiah 51.17-end 2 Thessalonians 3	Sat	Psalm 71 Zephaniah 3.14-end Matthew 18.21-end	Psalm 43 Isaiah 52.1-12 Jude

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