



Welcome to the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan
Weekly notice sheet Sunday 9th January—1st Sunday of Epiphany
Plough Sunday



8.45am CW Holy Communion Service followed by a
10am Family Service at 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

O Creator God, who works through our hands and our minds, as we strive to renew the face of the earth and bring closer your kingdom, help us to feel reverence for the power you give us, and to love the small part of your creation which you have entrusted to each of us; for the sake of Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post Communion

God our creator, you give seed for us to sow and bread for us to eat: as you have blessed the fruit of our labour in this eucharist, so we ask you to give all your children their daily bread, that the world may praise you for your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dear Everyone,

Happy New Year!

I hope that, despite COVID infection rates, you had a blessed Christmas and were able to experience something of the love, peace and joy of Christ.

You will be pleased to know that we were able to send £134 to Centrepont and thank you to those who contributed to this important charity and to those who donated online.

At 4pm on Saturday, 8th January, Forest Church is being held at Bulphan Church, it would be lovely to see you there.

This Sunday we will be welcoming Bishop Guli, our Diocesan Bishop, to our 10am Service when we will be joined by some of our local farming community as we celebrate Plough Sunday. Bishop Guli will also be baptising Emmie and Charlotte Bernard, giving our talk and praying for us as we move into 2022 as The Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan. We will also be joined by some morris dancers, kindly organised by Max, and there will be refreshments following the service. Please do join us if you are able to and remember to bring a mask with you.

On Saturday 22nd January from 6.30pm until 8.30pm, at St Clements Church in Grays the first Deanery Youth Event for young people of secondary school age will be held. There is more information about this later on in the notice sheet. Following a lot of prayer and thought, it looks to be a great event. It would be lovely if some young people from this parish were able to support this. I will be going along and am happy to take anyone who might need a lift.

You may notice that some of the names on the prayer list have been removed. If your name has been removed and you still require prayer, please could you let me or Lynda Robertson know and she will put your name back on the list. Similarly, if your name is still on the list and no longer needs to be there, please could you also let me or Lynda know. If you could just keep us informed, it would be really helpful.

If you are on the electoral roll, you will be receiving a letter regarding our upcoming SPCM and a PCC lay member nomination form. Please do take the time to read the letter and, if you are on the electoral role, please try to attend the meeting on 30th January at Orsett Church after the 10am Service.

I look forward to seeing you soon. Take care and God bless,

Sue



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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.

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.

Plough Sunday 2022 - 9 January

In times past, farm workers needed something to motivate them back on the land after Christmas and Epiphany. The Plough Sunday blessing of the plough and ploughmen, accompanied by feasting and festivity, seemed to do the trick! They returned to the fields inspired by God's blessing to begin a new year of producing food for their communities.

It's a tradition that continues to lift spirits for those working with the land in the harsh January weather. Our rural church communities have a crucial role in providing support and care to farming families.

As the UK agricultural industry embraces methods of food production that reduce the carbon foot-print of our food, farmers will be ploughing their land less frequently. The need to bring God's blessing to those who work with the land remains at the forefront of Plough Sunday.

As farmers head onto their farms after Epiphany, I pray they will take the words of the Plough Sunday blessing with them:

*May God the creator bless your labour,
May God the Son walk with you day by day,
May God the Holy Spirit inspire you with creativity as you care for the land,
May God the Three-in-One bless and keep you today and always.*

Revd Canon Janet Nicholls Rural Adviser and Agricultural Chaplain



Prayers for the week

Prayer Diary

- **THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST (1ST SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY)**
- Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit, and revealed him as your beloved Son; grant that we who are baptised into his name may give up our lives to your service, and be found worthy of our calling.
- **Pray for: the Iglesia Anglicana de Chile**
- Prayers for the rest of the week can be found here-: <https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/uploads-new/publications/WePray-Dec21-Feb22.pdf>

Benefice prayer diary

Horndon Freda K, Chris C, Nick T, Moira, Ivy
Orsett Andy J, Peter H, Ted S, Joan M, Sue L, Maureen D, Margaret C
Bulphan Richard R
Other Brooke, 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 of friends of Jim Cooper, the family and friends of Thomas Charles
Bartley and the family and friends of Andrea Sanders
Bulphan Jane and family of Cicely Mustoe.

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

Hobnob Magazine

- February edition—Please submit articles to Ron by January 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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The Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan Baptism Preparation Meeting

If you would like to have your child baptised, in any one of the Churches in the Parish, then do come along to one of our preparation evenings. They are held at Orsett Church at 7.30pm on the second Monday of the month and we will explain what happens at the service and you can get a date for your baptism booked in the diary. Baptisms take place within our normal Sunday services. Please note at the moment, due to Covid restrictions, there is a maximum number of 15 supporters per child, including parents, able to attend baptisms.



The next preparation sessions are on
Monday 10th January 2022, 14th February and 14th March.
No booking is required. We look forward to seeing you there.

Some photos of stars made by Lisa Anderson and friends from the Wellhouse gallery for the Blue Christmas service. At the end of the service people were able to take home a star in memory of a loved one.



DEANERY CHAPTER PRESENTS

Talents & Faith

ST CLEMENT'S CHURCH **JANUARY 22ND 2022**
567 LONDON ROAD **SATURDAY**
WEST THURROCK
ESSEX RM20 4AR **6:30PM TILL 8PM**

Forest Church

Please join us at
St Mary's Church, Bulphan
on Saturday 8th January at 4pm

Encounter God in the great outdoors: in the sky, the earth, the trees and the wildlife. This service is for all, old and young and includes outdoor fun activities on a Biblical theme and worship around a fire.

The service will carry on even if it is raining so please dress appropriately. You should also bring along a torch, and a rug or a chair to sit on.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Rev'd Sue



Individual Private Prayer

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

Bulphan Church
Horndon-on-the-Hill Church

Monday and Thursday
Tuesday and Saturday

*Free refreshments are available on
Monday, Tuesday and Saturday.*



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Diary Dates

Services

- Saturday 8th January - Bulphan Church 4pm Forest Church
- This week's Sunday service (9th Jan) - Orsett Church 8.45am CW Holy Communion Service and 10am Family Service
- Tuesday 11th January - Bulphan Church 7.30pm Holy Communion Service
- Next week's Sunday service (16th Jan) - Horndon Church 8.45am BCP Holy Communion Service and 10am All Together Holy Communion Service
- 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

- Baptism of Emmie & Charlotte Bernard - Orsett Church at 10am on 9th January during the Family service
- Baptism prep meetings, Monday 10th January 2022, 14th February and 14th March, held at 7.30pm in Orsett Church.
- Cicely Mustoe's funeral on Tues 18th Jan at 11.15am at Bulphan Church followed by cremation at 12.20pm at South Essex Crematorium, Upminster.
- Marriage Preparation meeting, for couples who have already booked a wedding, Saturday 29th January 10.30am-3.30pm

Thurrock Foodbank

Your continued support for this charity is much appreciated. The Benefice has organised 5 collection boxes as listed below:

Horndon-on-the-Hill	1, Lion Cottages, High Road
Orsett	The Rectory and Orsett Stores
Bulphan	24, Church Lane and Bulphan Local Store



Shortages this week are: long life fruit juice, fruit squash, sponge puddings, shampoo & conditioner

They have plenty of:- baked beans and pasta

Eco Pause for Thought

Take short showers. Bathtubs require gallons more water than a 5-10 minute shower.



Bible Readings for this week

Principal Service

Sunday

Isaiah 43.1-7
Acts 8.14-17

Psalm 29
Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
Monday	Psalm 2 Genesis 1.1-19 Matthew 21.1-17	Psalm 34 Amos 1 1 Corinthians 1.1-17	Tues	Psalm 8 Genesis 1.20-2.3 Matthew 21.18-32	Psalm 45 Amos 2 1 Corinthians 1.18-end
Weds	Psalm 20 Genesis 2.4-end Matthew 21.33-end	Psalm 47 Amos 3 1 Corinthians 2	Thurs	Psalm 21 Genesis 3 Matthew 22.1-14	Psalm 61 Amos 4 1 Corinthians 3
Friday	Psalm 67 Genesis 4.1-16, 25-26 Matthew 22.15-15-33	Psalm 68 Amos 5.1-17 1 Corinthians 4	Sat	Psalm 33 Genesis 6.1-10 Matthew 22.34-end	Psalm 84 Amos 5.18-end 1 Corinthians 5

Contact details

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