



## Welcome to the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan

Weekly notice sheet Sunday 30th January—Candlemas

### 10am All Together Holy Communion Service and 4pm Songs of Praise both 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

Lord Jesus Christ, light of the nations and glory of Israel: make your home among us, and present us pure and holy to your heavenly Father, your God, and our God.

#### Post Communion

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he come to bring us to eternal life: for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Dear Everyone,

This weekend we celebrate Candlemas, the Christian festival which takes place on 2nd February, commemorating the occasion when Mary, in obedience to Jewish law, went to the Temple in Jerusalem both to be purified 40 days after childbirth and to present her son, Jesus. The earliest reference to the festival is from Jerusalem, in the late 4th century. By the middle of the 5th century the custom of observing the festival with lighted candles had been introduced, hence the name Candlemas.

Following our services on Sunday morning we will be holding the SPCM to elect our new PCC. Everyone on the electoral roll is welcome to attend this meeting.

As we move towards Lent, just a reminder that if you would like to take part in one of the Diocesan Lent courses which you should have received details about earlier in the week, by email, the closing date for applications is 18th February. If you are not on email and would like to see the booklet about the different courses on offer, please do let me know.

Finally, the rescheduled Deanery Youth Event for people of secondary school age will be taking place on Saturday 5th March from 6.30pm until 8pm at St Clement's Church, Grays. It would be lovely to have some representation from this Parish at what promises to be a good event.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Take care and God bless,

Sue



#### 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: tinned potatoes, tinned sweetcorn, mashed potato, breakfast cereals, tinned meat - ham, stewing steak, desserts - sponge puddings etc.



#### 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 19<sup>th</sup> October 7-8pm, an eight week journey that will help you and your community to grow & deepen your prayer life. 7. Listening – 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 8. Spiritual warfare – 15<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:rectorsue@hobnob.org.uk) or Ring Lisa & Phil Anderson 07946 530379.

## Where will your journey take you in 2022?

**NOW VIA ZOOM**



*Just starting out?*

*Not sure of the direction?*

*Tentative steps?*

*Striding out with confidence?*

*At a crossroads?*

**This time of discovery is for you**

**Bradwell Area Vocations Day**

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2022 10am to 1pm**

**Via Zoom**

### Find Out More About

Ordained Ministry  
Licensed Lay Minister  
Pastoral Assistant  
Authorised Local Preacher  
Course in Christian Studies  
Churchwardens

To register your place, please email [KNegri@chelmsford.anglican.org](mailto:KNegri@chelmsford.anglican.org)  
Please reserve your space **now!**



## Hobnob Magazine

- March edition—Please submit articles to Ron by February 21st email: [r.porter@hobnob.org.uk](mailto:r.porter@hobnob.org.uk)
- The online version of the magazine can be found on our website news page [www.hobnob.org.uk/magazine](http://www.hobnob.org.uk/magazine)

## Prayers for the week

### Prayer Diary

- **PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE (CANDLEMAS)[THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY]**  
Let the flame of your love never be quenched in our hearts, O Lord. Waking or sleeping, living or dying, let us delight in your presence. Let the flame of your love brighten our souls and illumine our path, and let the majesty of your glory be our joy, our life and our strength now and for ever. Amen (Johann Arndt, 1555-1621)
- **Pray for:** the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean
- 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** Lesley G, Jan C, Freda K, Chris C, Nick T, Moira, Ivy  
**Orsett** Di B, Andy J, Peter H, Ted S, Joan M, Sue L, Maureen D, Margaret C  
**Bulphan** Kathy J, Richard R  
**Other** Valerie F, Joyce A, Brooke, Elizabeth, Dottie and her family

### Prayers for the recently bereaved

**Horndon** Friends of David Pasterfield, 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, David and the family and friends of Cicely Mustoe.



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

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## Empower Marsabit

*The Bishop's Annual Appeal has raised more than £26,500 and is helping fund twelve literacy groups in Marsabit*

Thank you to everyone across the Diocese who has helped the 2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal raise more than £26,500\*.

The Appeal has been supporting the work of the Anglican Communion's Five Talents charity in our link diocese of Marsabit in Kenya.

Life in Marsabit is one of serious challenge. Situated in northern Kenya, it's a dry and arid region where the majority live below the national poverty line of less than £25 a month.

Alongside this, devastating impacts of climate change and the scarcity of water and pasture have left many vulnerable to food insecurity.

The Covid-19 pandemic has made life even more difficult because of the scarcity of the vaccine and difficulty accessing healthcare. The Ratio of doctors to patients in Marsabit is 1:63,825.

In addition, only 28% of women and 47% of men are literate. Women often miss out on any formal education and have no rights to own assets or land.

Five Talents are empowering women in Marsabit; training them in literacy, numeracy and business skills and equipping them through savings schemes to enable them to live more abundant lives.

In October this year, Rt Revd Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani, Bishop of Chelmsford, the Rt Revd Daniel Qampicha, the Bishop of Marsabit, joined our partners at Five Talents UK for a live webinar and heard an update on their work in Marsabit.

Thanks to funds raised by this year's appeal, Five Talents have been able to set up 12 literacy groups teaching 188 learners, 90% of whom are women. Many of the women have made significant progress and 107 women have recently undertaken initial literacy exams. Literacy is prioritised to enable people to participate fully in everyday life and enable people to join in the Five Talents microfinance groups and work towards economic empowerment.

Bishop Qampicha said: "We are glad that through the gracious partnership of Five Talents UK and the Chelmsford Diocese, the literacy programme has started in twelve centres across Marsabit.

"The women have made significant strides in developing their literacy skills, they can hold a pen, write, identify numbers, read words, and use their phones. "The women are very excited that they will be able to cast their votes independently in the upcoming election next year, which is huge progress.

"The women are also pleased that they can read their bibles in church, and this is a great encouragement. Thank you for your support of the project."

Details of how you can continue to donate to the Appeal until the end of 2021 can be found at [chelmsford.anglican.org/bishops-appeal](https://chelmsford.anglican.org/bishops-appeal). For more information on the Bishop's Appeal and our links with Kenya contact Revd Lee Batson, [lbatson@chelmsford.anglican.org](mailto:lbatson@chelmsford.anglican.org).

Please Join us in praying for the work of Five Talents UK and our dedicated sisters and brothers in Christ pioneering change in Marsabit.

\* (raised at time of print)



## Diary Dates



### Services

- **Forest Church—4pm Saturday 5th February at Orsett Church**
- Next week's Sunday service (6th Feb) at Horndon Church - 10am All Together 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

- Special PCC meeting after the service on Sunday 30th January at Orsett Church
- Songs of Praise at 4pm on Sunday 30th January at Orsett Church
- Memorial Service for Glyn Jones, 10.30am on Saturday 12th February at Horndon-on-the-Hill Church
- Baptism preparation meetings, Monday 14th February and 14th March, held at 7.30pm in Orsett Church.
- World Day of Prayer at 11am on Friday 4th March at Bulphan Church

### *Eco Pause for Thought*

*Don't just recycle plastic - reuse it instead if you can. Use smaller plastic bottles as cane toppers on your vegetable garden - as well as making the tops safer, they help keep birds away and can be used to support netting.*



### Bible Readings for this week

#### Principal Service

#### Sunday

Malachi 3.1-5  
Hebrews 2.14-end

Psalm 24.1-6  
Luke 2.22-40

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
<b>Monday</b>	Psalm 1 Genesis 18.1-15 Matthew 27.11-26	Psalm 20 Hosea 9 1 Corinthians 12.12-end	<b>Tues</b>	Psalm 5 Genesis 18.16-end Matthew 27.27-44	Psalm 9 Hosea 10 1 Corinthians 13
<b>Weds</b>	Psalm 119.1-32 Genesis 19.1-3,12-29 Matthew 27.45-56	Psalm 11 Hosea 11.1-11 1 Corinthians 14.1-19	<b>Thurs</b>	Psalm 15 Genesis 21.1-21 Matthew 27.57-end	Psalm 18* Hosea 11.12-end of 12 1 Corinthians 14.20-end
<b>Friday</b>	Psalm 19 Genesis 22.1-19 Matthew 28.1-15	Psalm 22 Hosea 13.1-14 1 Corinthians 16.1-9	<b>Sat</b>	Psalm 23 Genesis 23 Matthew 28.16-end	Psalm 24 Hosea 14 1 Corinthians 16.10-end

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