



Welcome to the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan
Weekly notice sheet Sunday 15th May — 5th Sunday of Easter
8.45am BCP Holy Communion Service
10am Family Service, 4pm Refresh Service
St Peter and St Paul's Church, Horndon-on-the-Hill



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

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

Post Communion

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Dear Everyone,

This Sunday marks the beginning of Christian Aid Week and we will be holding three services at Horndon Church.: An 8.45am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion Service, a 10am Holy Communion Service with Sunday School in a Tin for Children, and at 4pm we will be holding our Refresh Service using the screen and contemporary worship songs. You are welcome at any or all of these services. If you would like to make a donation towards the work of Christian Aid, there are envelopes available at Horndon and you can also give using our e-envelope. Details are available on page 2 of the notices. You may, also, wish to use this prayer of confession during Christian Aid Week

Good God of creation, we sing praise to you.

But even as we raise our voices we know we have faltered and failed. Walking on paths that turned our hearts inward, sitting with those who scoffed at the cries of the poor, mocking those on the margins, denying the earth in her distress. Too often our leaves have withered our branches are barren. We have failed to be pruned and the axe is now poised. Poised to cut down the excesses that crucify all creation, the systems that impoverish all people, the privileges that diminish our faith. But even now it is not too late. For in the face of judgment comes the offer of grace and the hope that deadwood can spring to life.

Where we have failed to bear good fruit and share your abundance for the earth GOD HAVE MERCY

When our actions and intentions have been as chaff for the winds of heaven GOD HAVE MERCY

Forgive us. Restore us. Inspire us now to delight in your purposes, to embrace your possibilities, to inhabit your promises, to flourish as fruit for the world you so love and bring healing for all the nations.

AMEN.

Last weekend was a busy weekend with a cream tea at Orsett which raised £624 towards our Parish Share. Thank you, so much, both to those who organised it and those who supported it; it was a great event. We also had a lovely time in the sunshine at Forest Church at Bulphan and you can see photos on page three.

We have had several baptisms in church recently. Please do keep the children who have been baptised and their families and godparents in your prayers. And, also please remember to pray for those who have important exams this term and our young people who are away at university. And, of course, those whose names are on this notice sheet.

I look forward to seeing you soon. Please continue to let me know of any prayer or pastoral needs.

Take care and God bless,

Sue



Hobnob Magazine

- June edition—Please submit articles to Ron by **May 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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CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Jessica's story



Jessica Mwedzi smiles with love for her children as she stirs a single bowl of porridge for them...

...But she knows they're hungry for more. This one bowl of porridge is all she and her family can eat today: 'My children crave a decent meal, but I can't provide. We often go to bed on an empty stomach. It pains me to send them to bed hungry.'

'women are at the mercy of climate change and hunger' - Jessica.

For Jessica, drought means every day is a struggle for survival. Like many women in rural Zimbabwe - 7 out of 10 rely on farming for income and food - she toils on her farm, but nothing can grow on her ashen, dry land.

Drought starves. Intensified by the climate crisis, and the effects of war in Ukraine on global food production, it drives families into hunger.

Jessica recalls that 'One year, we had no rain. The scorching sun burnt my crops just as they were about to bloom. It was so painful and disheartening.' It's unjust that drought - exacerbated by the effects of conflict and the global pandemic - robs Jessica of the power to provide for her family. Her husband is unwell, so she's the only breadwinner. Her children look up to her, but she has nothing left to give.

As the golden sun fades across the sky, Jessica watches her much-loved sons and daughters sing, dance and play outside. Can you imagine how it feels for her to know her children are hungry, but have nothing left to give?

She finds a ray of hope that she will overcome this tough time - and be able to provide her children with good food, and a full life, free from hunger.

Could you give today, and help this loving mum provide food and hope for her family?

We have set up an e-envelope so that you can pay online at—

<https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/parish-of-horndon-orsett-and-bulphan>

If you are unable to donate online and would like to give cash or a cheque (payable to Christian Aid) there will be envelopes available at the Horndon services on Sunday 15th May.

Do you have a tapestry that needs to be completed? If so Jane Roast would love to finish it for you.

Please contact Lynda at l.robertson@hobnob.org.uk and she will pass on your contact details.



**Afternoon Tea at the
Orsett Churches' Centre
on
Saturday 7th May**

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Thanks to Ron for the photos taken on Saturday 7th May at Bulphan Church



Prayers for the week

Prayer Diary

- **THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** - Christian Aid Week begins. God of the impossible, we pray for justice, peace and reconciliation. And when the challenges seem too many, remind us of your resurrection power, and the miracles of your love that happen whenever injustice is dismantled and rebuilt with peace. Help us to hope that the impossible can happen and live as if it might do so today. Amen (Prayer for Christian Aid)
- **Pray for:** *The Scottish Episcopal Church*
- Prayers for the rest of the week can be found here-: <https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/uploads-new/publications/WePray-March-May22.pdf>

Parish prayer diary

Horndon Jane L, Freda K, Chris C, Nick T, Moira, Ivy
Orsett Gill C, Joan B, Di B, Ted S, Joan M, Sue L, Maureen D, Margaret C
Bulphan Jake M, Brian F, Anita J, Richard R
Other Brooke, Elizabeth, Dottie and her family

Prayers for the recently bereaved

Orsett Family and friends of Pamela Baker

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



Thurrock Foodbank

Your continued support for this charity is much appreciated.



The Parish has 5 collection boxes as listed below:

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

Shortages this week are: cordial/squash, jam, long life fruit juice, long life milk (not skimmed), sponge puddings, tea bags, tinned carrots, tinned custard, tinned fish, tinned fruit, tinned meat (hot dogs, spag bol, ravioli, ham, corned beef) tinned rice pudding, tinned sweetcorn.

**The Parish of
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Refresh

An accessible and contemporary service for all ages

Sunday 15th May at 4pm

**St Peter and St Paul's Church,
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Diary Dates



Services

- Next week's Sunday services (22nd May) at Bulphan Church - 8.45am CW Holy Communion Service, 10am Family Service
- 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

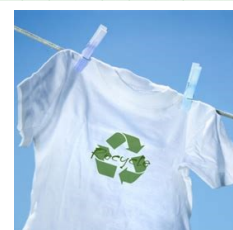
Advance notices

- Baptism preparation meeting, Monday 13th June, held at 7.30pm in Orsett Church.
- Sunday 15th May 10am baptism of River Jordan
- Thursday 19th May-11.30am Interment of ashes for Suzarne Price in Horndon Church
- Friday 20th May—2pm Interment of ashes for Brenda and John Parmenter and Raymond and Jean Goldsmith in Orsett Church

Eco Pause for Thought

Opt for lower-impact materials

Given that the production of textiles is responsible for the biggest chunk of fashion's environmental impact, look for lower-impact materials, such as organic cotton, linen, hemp and sustainably-sourced viscose. Even better, go for recycled textiles where possible – as that cuts out the fibre production stage.



Individual Private Prayer

Bulphan Church
Horndon-on-the-Hill Church

Monday and Thursday
Tuesday and Saturday

Free refreshments are available on
Monday, Tuesday and Saturday.



Bible Readings for this week

Principal Service

Sunday

Acts 11.1-18

John 13.31-35

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
Monday	Psalm 145 Numbers 9.15-end; 10.33-end Luke 4.38-end	Psalm 105 Deuteronomy 16.1-20 1 Peter 1.1-12	Tues	Psalm 19 Numbers 11.1-33 Luke 5.1-11	Psalm 97 Deuteronomy 17.8-end 1 Peter 1.13-end
Weds	Psalm 30 Numbers 12 Luke 5.12-26	Psalm 99 Deuteronomy 18.9-end 1 Peter 2.1-10	Thurs	Psalm 57 Numbers 13.1-3, 17-end Luke 5.27-end	Psalm 104 Deuteronomy 19 1 Peter 2.11-end
Friday	Psalm 138 Numbers 14.1-25 Luke 6.1-11	Psalm 66 Deuteronomy 21.22-22.8 1 Peter 3.1-12	Sat	Psalm 146 Numbers 14.26-end Luke 6.12-26	Psalm 118 Deuteronomy 24.5-end 1 Peter 3.13-end

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