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Rector's Reflections

In May we held our annual church meeting, our APCM. A lot has happened since our APCM last year.

In January Bishop Guli, our Diocesan Bishop, joined us for our Plough Sunday service to pray for us as we began our journey as one ecclesiastical parish, the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan. In addition to establishing a new Church Council, we have set up Action Groups to focus on different aspects of our Christian witness and these are going well.

We are pleased, now, to be able to offer communion in two kinds and many of the in-person church activities which were suspended, as a result of Covid, have resumed albeit, in some cases, in a slightly different form and it is great that we can again offer church hospitality with refreshments, at all three villages, thanks to those who kindly volunteer. It is good, also, to be back in the schools and we are looking forward to returning to lead services at The Whitecroft soon.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who serves in our churches in any way, whether it be through ordained or lay ministry. Each act of service, whether up front, or behind the scenes is greatly appreciated by us all and each person known, loved and valued by God.

I would particularly like to express huge thanks to Ron Porter, Janet Wilkins and Jackie Wood who have each exceeded their term of service as a Churchwarden and, this year, decided to step down. I know we are all very grateful for all their dedication and commitment, having served, between them, a total of almost 60 years and much of what they do, unnoticed. Thank you, so much, Ron, Janet and Jackie for all you have given and enjoy a well-deserved rest!

On the subject of gratitude for service, this month we celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and give thanks for her life of service. The Queen holds the title 'Defender of the Faith and Supreme Governor of the Church of England'. These titles date back to the reign of King Henry VIII, who was initially granted the title 'Defender of the Faith' in 1521 by Pope Leo X. When Henry VIII renounced the spiritual authority of the Papacy in 1534, he was proclaimed 'supreme head on earth' of the Church of England. This was repealed by Queen Mary I but reinstated during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I, who was proclaimed 'Supreme Governor' of the Church of England. On the advice of the Prime Minister The Queen appoints Archbishops, Bishops and Deans of the Church of England, who then swear an oath of allegiance and pay homage to Her Majesty. Church of England deacons and parish priests also swear an oath of allegiance to the Sovereign.

I know the Queen's Platinum Jubilee is being celebrated in various ways in Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan. You may like to use the following prayer, from the Church of England, in your personal devotions or as part of your Jubilee Celebrations

Gracious God, we give you thanks
for the reign of your servant Elizabeth our Queen,
and for the example of loving and faithful service
which she has shown among us.
Help us to follow her example of dedication
and to commit our lives to you and to one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

| | SERVI | CES – June 2022 | |
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| | HORNDON | ORSETT | BULPHAN |
| Thursday 2 nd June | | 3.02.1 | Open Church 10am-noon |
| Friday 3 rd | | No Edward Bear or Oasis Cafe | |
| Saturday 4 th | Open Church 10am-noon with refreshments | | |
| Sunday 5 th June Pentecost Whit Sunday | Witheresimens | | 10am All Together Holy Communion Service |
| Monday 6 th | | | Open Church 10am-noon with refreshments |
| Tuesday 7 th | Open Church 10am-noon with refreshments | | |
| Thursday 9 th | | | Open Church 10am-noon |
| Friday 10 th | | Oasis Café 9am to 11.30am Edward Bear Toddler Group 9.30-11am at the Churches Centre | |
| Saturday 11 th | Open Church 10am-noon with refreshments | | |
| Sunday 12 th June Trinity Sunday | | 8.45am CW Holy Communion Service 10am Family Service | |
| Monday 13 th | | | Open Church 10am-noon with refreshments |
| Tuesday 14 th | Open Church 10am-noon with refreshments | | 7.30pm Holy Communion Service |
| Thursday 16 th | | | Open Church 10am-noon |
| Friday 17 th | | Oasis Café 9am to 11.30am Edward Bear Toddler Group 9.30-11am at the Churches Centre | |
| Saturday 18 th | Open Church 10am-noon with refreshments | | |
| Sunday 19 th June 1 st Sunday after Trinity | 8.45am BCP Holy Communion Service 10am Family Service 4pm Refresh Service | | |
| Monday 20 th | | | Open Church 10am-noon with refreshments |
| Tuesday 21st | Open Church 10am-noon with refreshments | | |
| Thursday 23 rd | | | Open Church 10am-noon |
| Friday 24 th | | Oasis Café 9am to 11.30am Edward Bear Toddler Group 9.30-11am at the Churches Centre | |
| Saturday 25 th | 10am Feast and Fayre opening service | | |
| Sunday 26 th June 2 nd Sunday after Trinity | 9.15am Outdoor Family Service | | 8.45am CW Holy Communion Service 10am Family Service |
| Monday 27 th | | | Open Church 10am-noon with refreshments |
| Tuesday 28 th | Open Church 10am-noon with refreshments 12.15pm Holy Communion Service | | |
| Thursday 30 th | , | | Open Church 10am-noon |
| Friday 1 st July | | No Edward Bear or Oasis Cafe | |
| Catural and | Open Church 10am-noon | 3pm Count on Nature | |
| Saturday 2 nd | with refreshments | 4pm Forest Church | |
| Sunday 3 rd July | 10am All Together Holy Communion Service | | |



THE PARISH REGISTERS

Interment of Ashes

| April 23 rd | Stephen Morgan | (B) |
|------------------------|---------------------------|-----|
| May 6 th | Pamela Anne Baker | (O) |
| May 10 th | Mrs M Beard | (O) |
| May 19 | Suzarne Price | (H) |
| May 20 th | Jean Winifred Goldsmith | (O) |
| May 20 th | Raymond Charles Goldsmith | (O) |
| May 20 th | Brenda Dorothy Parmenter | (O) |
| May 20 th | John Frederick Parmenter | (O) |







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Baptism Preparation

If you would like to have your child baptised in one of the churches in the parish. Preparation evenings are held in Orsett church on the second Monday of each month at 7.30pm. No booking is required.



Horndon-on-the-hill Churchwarden's Report

Dear all,

Great celebrations this month. Our Dear Queen celebrates her Platinum Jubilee.

Here in Horndon we have a Strawberry Tea on June 2nd to celebrate. Here's hoping for good weather.

After two years, we again will celebrate our Patronal Festival of

St. Peter and Paul with the Village Feast and Fayre on 25/26th June.

The opening Service is at 10am in the Church, when our MP and local Councillors will be in attendance. Please join us to celebrate.

On Sunday at 9.15am we will hold an outdoor service for all.

Our Church will be adorned with amazing flower displays to celebrate the Jubilee. Thank you goes to Felicity Tarbard for organising this event.

There will be refreshments and a great selection of cakes on both days in the Church as well. The grounds will as usual have many stalls to browse. If anyone would like a small table to display their business or wares, please contact me for more details.

Looking forward to seeing you all during the month.

God Bless

Sonia Ward



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If you have already read this month's 'Rector's Reflections', you will see that I have stood down as Churchwarden. I have now completed forty years in this post and served under six Rectors and it was time to go. I am acutely aware of the gradual decline in my mobility plus other health issues. And certainly I am no longer as mentally sharp. In short, I do not want to continue to the point where I am no longer capable, or becoming a burden. My

term of office will officially conclude on 27th June at the Archdeacon's Visitation.

This has not been an easy decision; I had originally planned to stand down in 2014, but as invariably happens events overtake intentions. I was originally 'encouraged' to become Churchwarden by the then Priest-in-Charge, Rev, Hugh Vaughn Crossley, who some may still remember. His words of encouragement at the time were "Nothing to worry about old chap, it's just a legal requirement. Hmm really!

I have no intention of disappearing as obviously there will be a handover period; furthermore I am still PCC Secretary and joint editor of this magazine. Nonetheless, I cannot go on indefinitely and I hope that this will be understood. Many have supported me over the years and I cannot thank them enough for their forbearance and help. And I do sincerely hope that I am not seen as leaving others in the lurch or letting the side down.

Enough about me! On 19th May, Lily Bounds celebrated her 100th birthday and she looks truly amazing. She and her late husband Roy were dedicated members of Orsett Church, but also supported the other churches in the then United Benefice, where they had deep rooted connections. I am sure that many will wish to congratulate Lily and wish her every happiness. Such an incredible achievement!



Further news regarding the repairs to our church porch. The contractor – Lodge and Sons Ltd have been instructed to proceed and proposed commencement dates are awaited; work will not start until after the weddings planned for June.

The response to our appeal has been encouraging, but we still have a way to go. Sincerest thanks to those who have donated so far, your generosity is very much appreciated. Particular thanks to Lynda Robertson who has organised the appeal across many media platforms.





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FAMOUS PERSON IN JUNE

REVEREND CHARLES KINGSLEY

The English author and clergyman Charles Kingsley (1819-1875) became the ideal of "Muscular Christianity" through his books and active, manyfaceted life.

The son of a country parson, Charles Kingsley was born on June 12, 1819. After attending several schools he entered Magdalene College, Cambridge, in 1838. He was more sportsman than scholar. Shortly after graduation in 1842, he was ordained an Anglican priest. In 1842 he became rector of Eversley, the parish he served until his death in 1875. In 1844 he married.



Kingsley was a tall, thin, excitable man with a stammer. His enthusiasms pulled him in many directions, just as they drew famous people, including royalty, to him. In 1848, with Frederick Denison Maurice and J. M. Ludlow, he founded Christian Socialism. To support the movement he wrote many articles over the signature "Parson Lot" and two novels, *Alton Locke* (1850), about the plight of the urban worker, and *Yeast* (1851), about the ills of the rural poor. However, Kingsley's opinions were far more Christian than socialist. Certainly he never wanted to upset the established social order.

Turning to history, Kingsley wrote two historical novels, *Hypatia* (1853) and *Westward Ho!* (1855). He grew interested in biology and wrote *Glaucus* (1855), a nonfictional description of the wonders of the shore. These books as well as his Christian Socialism fit the term "Muscular Christianity," but Kingsley was a poet too. In *Andromeda* (1858) he wrote the "very best English hexameters ever produced," according to George Saintsbury. However, perhaps his best-loved book was *The Water-Babies* (1863), a children's story in which he combined his interests in natural science and religion.

In 1859 Kingsley was appointed chaplain to Queen Victoria, and in 1860 he became regius professor of modern history at Cambridge. A man of so varied activities was hardly a scholar, but Kingsley's lectures, more about men than politics or economics, were popular. In 1861 he tutored the Prince of Wales, later Edward VII, in history.

From the first Kingsley had been anti-Roman Catholic. In 1864 he entered into a controversy with John Henry Newman, about whether Newman taught that truth was no virtue among Roman Catholic priests. The controversy led to an exchange of pamphlets, a public apology by Kingsley for misrepresenting Newman, and Newman's great autobiography, *Apologia pro Vita Sua*.

In 1869 Kingsley resigned his professorship of history and was appointed canon of Chester; in 1873 he became canon of Westminster. He died on Jan. 23, 1875.



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PRAYER DIARY

Some thoughts to include in your daily prayers

| June 1st | For Orsett in Bloom and Bulphan in Bloom |
|-----------|---|
| June 2nd | For the Friends of Orsett Church |
| June 3rd | For those who live on Stanley Road, Bulphan |
| June 4th | For our Local Ward Councillors serving the Benefice |
| June 5th | For those who live on Blackshots Lane |
| June 6th | For the Orsett Fire Station and all fire-fighters |
| June 7th | For our village halls and those who run them |
| June 8th | For Archdeacon Mike Power |
| June 9th | For our Bishop John Perumbalath |
| June 10th | For neighbours and friends who have moved away |
| June 11th | For those who live on China Lane, Bulphan |
| June 12th | For those who live on Stephens Crescent, Horndon |
| June 13th | For those who live on Francis Close, Horndon |
| June 14th | For those who live on High Road, Orsett |
| June 15th | For those in St Luke's Hospice |
| June 16th | For those who live on Mill Lane, Orsett |
| June 17th | For those who live on Malting Lane, Orsett |
| June 18th | For those who live on Holmes Close, Horndon |
| June 19th | For those who live on Bristowe Drive, Orsett |
| June 20th | For those who live on Hillcrest Close, Horndon |
| June 21st | For those who live on Peartree Lane, Bulphan |
| June 22nd | For the shops in Orsett, Horndon and Bulphan |
| June 23rd | For those who live on Ellis Close, Orsett |
| June 24th | For our police and community support officers |
| June 25th | For those who live on Alderton Road, Orsett |
| June 26th | For those who live on Grosvenor Road, Orsett |
| June 27th | For the work of the Thurrock Food Bank |
| June 28th | For those who live on School Lane, Orsett |
| June 29th | For those suffering from 'Long Covid' |
| June 30th | For those who live on Paddock Close, Orsett |
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A Study of the Gospel of St Mark

Mark 1:21-34

O Lord, you have given us your word for a light to shine upon our path.

Grant us so to meditate on that word, and to follow its teaching, that we may find in it the light that shines more and more until the perfect day; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Mark 1:35-45

35 In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.
36 And Simon and his companions hunted for him. 37 When they found him, they said to him, 'Everyone is searching for you.'
38 He answered, 'Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.' 39 And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out

40 A leper[a] came to him begging him, and kneeling[b] he said to him, 'If you choose, you can make me clean.'
41 Moved with pity,[c] Jesus[d] stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, 'I do choose. Be made clean!'
42 Immediately the leprosy[e] left him, and he was made clean. 43 After sternly warning him he sent him away at once,
44 saying to him, 'See that you say nothing to anyone; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing
what Moses commanded, as a testimony to them.' 45 But he went out and began to proclaim it freely, and to spread the
word, so that Jesus[f] could no longer go into a town openly, but stayed out in the country; and people came to him
from every quarter.

This passage of Mark begins with Jesus retreating for a time of prayer on HIs own. Jesus is our model for our prayer life. He prayed often, on His own to His Father. As His followers we should try to do similar, to find time and space regularly to pray on our own to our Father. However the disciples soon find HIm. Like us, Jesus is often interrupted in HIs prayer time. His response to the disciples statement that everyone is searching for HIm is interesting, "Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." Jesus came out to pray for HIs mission. So they carried the message of the Kingdom to synagogues throughout Galilee.

A leper meets them, recognising Jesus, he kneels and begs for healing. "If you choose, you can make me clean." The leper knew all about this healer. Jesus is moved, with pity, and heals the man, but then sternly warns him that he must follow the mosaic procedure for those healed of leprosy by presenting himself to the priest to be tested, and to tell no-one! But, the healed man spread the word so well that Jesus and the disciples had to keep away from towns, in case the authorities reacted to stop Hlm too early to complete His mission. Jesus had to maintain a low profile to avoid the temple authorities (He was preforming acts of healing that would have come under the remit of the temple priests).

Let us finish with prayer.

Gelasian Sacramentary (8th century)
O Holy Spirit, giver of light and life,
impart to us thoughts better than our own thoughts,
and prayers better than our own prayers,
and powers better than our own powers,
that we may spend and be spent
in the ways of love and goodness,
after the perfect image of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

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We enjoy meeting every Sunday evening for worship with those who join us both regularly and occasionally for fellowship. We are very pleased to see newcomers and extend a warm welcome to all. Please feel free to join us in fellowship even if you attend church elsewhere in the morning. The services for June are as follows:

| June 5 th | 6:30 pm | Pholani Ncube | Pentecost |
|-----------------------|---------|--------------------|-----------|
| June 12 th | 6:30 pm | Rev Max Blake | |
| June 19 th | 6:30 pm | Rev Yemi Jaiyesimi | |
| June 26 th | 6:30 pm | Peter Crosby | |

Out of respect for the vulnerable and those who prefer a cautious approach, we still ask those attending to be sensitive to others in observing social distancing. We continue to have sanitising facilities readily available and as always handwashing facilities are available in the vestry.

If you live locally and would like to come along to a service but need transport, or for any other information on our Church or our services please contact the Secretary: Ian Blackburn on 01375 891522

Saturday 2nd July, St Giles and All Saints Church, Orsett

3pm Churches Count on Nature

We are celebrating wildlife in the churchyard by observing and recording the plants and animal we find.



Please come along and help us discover what wildlife is living in Orsett's churchyard.

Your results will be included in a national survey which counts wildlife in churchyards and beyond

4pm Forest Church

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 rug or a chair to sit on.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Revd Sue

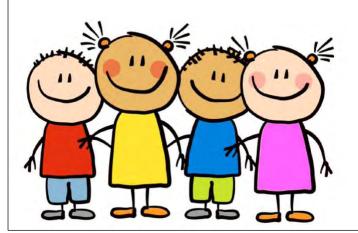
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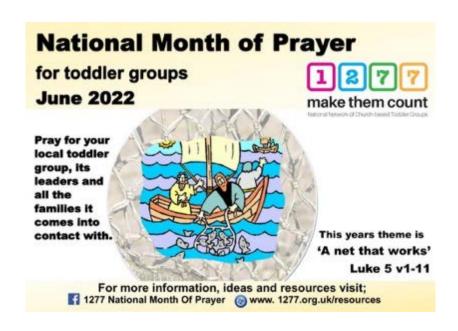
"Did you know", said Edward Bear Senior to his friends, "that the month of June is the National Month of Prayer for Toddler Groups? A whole month - fancy that!".

Many of you will have read Edward Bear Senior's musings during lockdown and so he thought he would come out of retirement to tell you all about NMOP.....

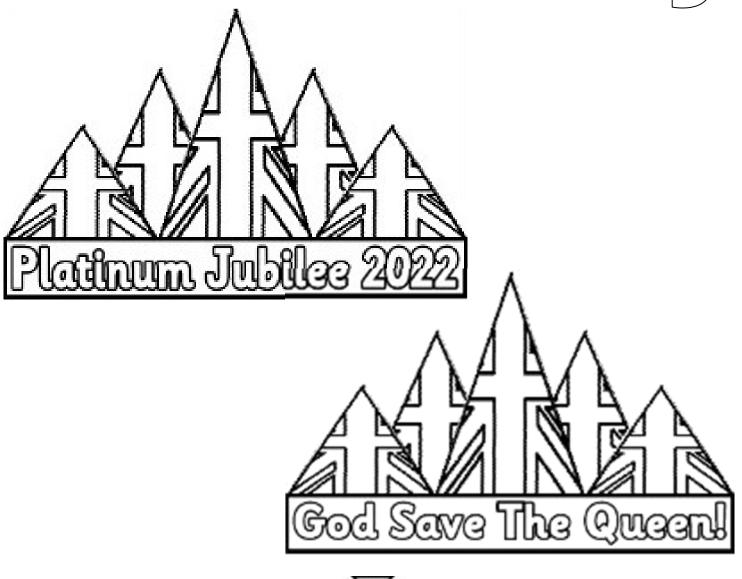
NMOP is an initiative of 1277 Make Them Count, which is the national network of church-based toddler groups. Here's something else interesting ... did you know that on average a child has 1,277 days between birth and starting nursery school education, and the network wants to 'make them count' for the children, for their families, and for the toddler groups that they attend? Toddler groups offer an amazing space for babies, toddlers and their parents and carers to play, experience a warm welcome and develop a supportive community. They are a place where the love of God can be experienced in so many ways and they are a place where life in all its fullness can be celebrated.

That's why Edward Bear Senior started Orsett Edward Bear Toddler Group with the help of members of the Mothers' Union! Our group has been supporting babies, toddlers, their parents and carers for many years now — the first toddlers to join are now teenagers and many of their parents remain friends, having met each other at our group — so long, in fact, that Edward Bear Senior had to hand over to Edward Bear Junior and a new team of helpers so that we could keep supporting those in our local community.

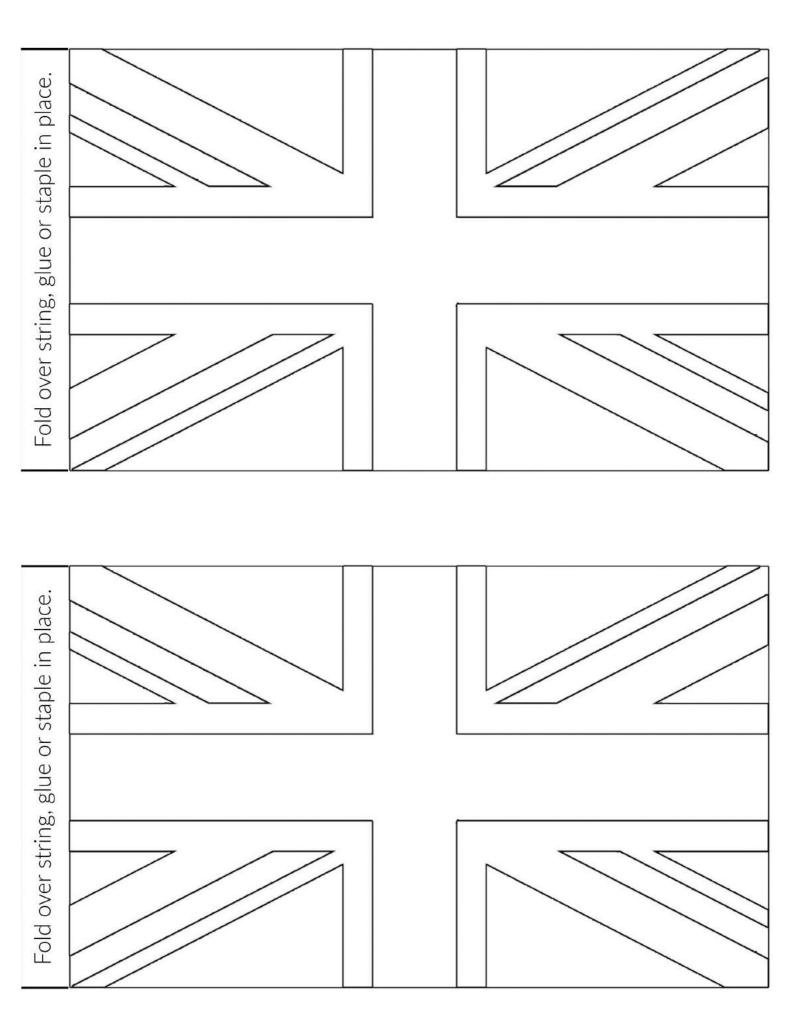
And that's why a whole month is put aside to focus on toddler groups in prayer. The theme for 2022 is based on Luke 5: 1-11, 'A Net That Works' and there's a fantastic poster to go with it. "I would love everyone to read this passage and pray for Orsett Edward Bear Toddler Group", said Edward Bear Senior, "for the parents, grandparents and carers who come into our buildings each week; for the children; for the team that is committed to this valuable ministry; and for our communities, that we might reach out with love to all families. It's so wonderful to be held in prayer!"



June Colouring







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Chelmsford Diocese Mothers' Union (CDMU)



Our MU Council meeting took place on Wednesday 18 May; the first chaired by our new Diocesan President, Maxine Paul. It was wonderful to be together once again and hear many good news stories from across the diocese about the work of Mothers' Union, in particular the high-profile work of Epping Forest MU who are working with domestic abuse survivors. We talked about the theme for this year 'Transformation – Now!' and discussed what diocesan membership should look like.

18-20 June is the time in the Wave of Prayer diary when members around the world will pray for us here in Chelmsford Diocese together with Rejaf (South Sudan), Military Episcopate (Kenya), Owo and Doko (Nigeria), and Jamaica and the Cayman Islands. If you receive Roundabout, please use the resources during this time for your personal prayers.

Jubilee Summer of Hope



Mothers' Union is grateful for the support and encouragement of Her Majesty the Queen, our dedicated Patron for the last 70 years. Her dedication and resilience through the decades has cemented her image as a strong and inspiring female role model

In honour of this, we are focusing our Jubilee Summer of Hope on supporting the next generation of female leaders from the

grassroots up: supporting women with skills, knowledge, and confidence to shape the future and transform communities and families for the better. There are lots of resources available so please do have a look: (https://www.mothersunion.org/soh2022).

New Platinum Prayer Book



To mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and her 70 years as patron of Mothers' Union, a collection of prayers from members and friends of Mothers' Union across the world have been collated into a new prayer book. The book includes themes that reflect the 70 years of the Queen's reign, Hope, love, resilience, service, faith, joy, family. Under each theme, members and friends have provided a wonderful collection of prayers that celebrate God, bringing comfort and inspiration. The prayer book costs £3.80 and can be purchased online:

https://mueshop.org/products/platinum-prayer-book

Pentecost (5 June):

Pentecost (Whit Sunday) when the Spirit came to transform the disciples into a vibrant, living church. It was like a strong wind and burning fire; over 2000 years later the church still needs the renewing power of the Holy Spirit of God.

Blown by God toward newness by Walter Brueggemann

The news is that God's wind is blowing.

It may be a breeze that

cools and comforts.

It may be a gust that

summon you to notice.

It may be a storm that blows you where you have

never been before.

Whatever the wind is in your life,

pay attention to it

and the blessing of God,

Father, Son and Spirit,

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HORNDON-ON-THE-HILL

We meet at the Welcome Club I, Victoria Road, Stanford-le-Hope At 8.00pm on the last Tuesday each month except in December.

New members welcome Enquiries to the Secretary Sec.hothrbl@hotmail.com



OLD PHOTOGRAPHS OF BULPHAN





Each month we will publish a few photographs from this extensive collection

1952 WHAT HAPPENED?

While we look back 70 years to the Queen's accession in February 1952, these are some of the things that happened in 1952, some of which may be quite familiar.

- ❖ 16 January : Sooty, Harry Corbett's glove puppet bear, first appears on BBC Television.
- ❖ 1 February: The first TV detector van is commissioned in the UK, to clampdown on the estimated 150,000 British households that watch television illegally without a licence.
- ♦ 6 February: King George VI dies at Sandringham House aged 56. It is revealed that he had been suffering from lung cancer. His 25 year old daughter, Princess Elizabeth, Duchess of Edinburgh, ascends to the throne as Queen Elizabeth II.
- ❖ 8 February : Queen Elizabeth II proclaimed Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland at St James' Palace.
- ❖ 15 February: The funeral of King George VI takes place at St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle. His body has been lying in state in Westminster Hall since 11 February.
- ❖ 21 February: Compulsory identity cards, issued during World War II, are abolished.
- ❖ 2 May: The De Havilland Comet becomes the world's first jet airliner, with a maiden flight from London to Johannesburg.
- ❖ 1 June : One shilling charge is introduced for prescription drugs dispensed under the National Health Service.
- ❖ 24 September : the American fast food restaurant chain Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC) opened its first franchise in Salt Lake City, Utah.
- ❖ 5 October: Tea rationing ends, after thirteen years, as announced by the Government two days earlier.
- ❖ 14 November : The magazine New Musical Express (NME) publishes the first UK Singles Chart. The first number one was "Here In My Heart" by Al Martino
- ❖ 25 November: Agatha Christie's play The Mousetrap starts its run at the New Ambassadors Theatre in London. It was still running in London in 2022, having transferred to St Martin's Theatre in 1974.
- ❖ 4-9 December : Great Smog blankets London, causing transport chaos and, it is believed, around 4,000 deaths.
- ❖ 12 December : BBC children's television series Flower Pot Men first shown.
- ❖ 25 December : The Queen makes her first Christmas speech to the Commonwealth.
- ❖ December : End of Utility Furniture Scheme.

Cost of things in 1952 (average wage £7 (140 shillings)/week)

These are in pre-decimal currency £1 = 20 shillings = 240 pennies (d); 1 shilling (s) = 12d One old penny would be worth about 12p today

| Gallon of petrol | 4s 3d | Oranges 1 lb | 1s ¾d |
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| Pint of beer (bottled) | 1s 9½d | Mars Bar | 6d |
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| Loaf of bread (white, unwrapped) | 7d | 100 Aspirin | 1d |
| Sugar 1 lb | 71∕2d | Letter | 21⁄2d |
| Pint of milk | 61⁄2d | The Times newspaper | 4d |
| Butter 1/21b | 1s 6d | The Daily Mirror newspaper | 11⁄2d |
| Cheddar cheese 1 lb | 2s 2d | Black & White TV Licemce | £4 |
| Margarine 1 lb | 1s 4d | Phone (3 months rental) | £2 10s |
| Lard 1 lb | 1s 6d | Murphy V200A 12" television | £72 10s |
| Eggs 1 dozen | 4s | Qualcast push lawn mower | £4 14s |
| Back Bacon 1 lb | 3s 9d | Average house price | £1,891 |
| Beef Sirloin 1 lb | 2s 6d | Ford Anglia car | £313 10s |
| Potatoes 1 lb | 2d | Ideal refrigerator | £49 14s 4d |
| Cabbage 1 lb | 41⁄2d | Hoover washing machine | £42 7s |
| Onions 1 lb | 6d | Hoover Junior vacuum cleaner | £24 |
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Bulphan WI

Our May meeting was another busy one, members and visitors discussed the NFWI Resolution Women and Girls with ASD & ADHD Under-Identified, Under-Diagnosed, Misdiagnosed, Under-Supported, with FEWI Resolutions Coordinator Laura Pisaneschi who also oversaw the members' vote which the majority was for the resolution to go forward, although some felt it didn't go far enough it was at least a step in the right direction.

Laura, in her role as President of Chafford Hundred WI also led the Annual Meeting part of the evening. After the usual committee reports, presentations

of Membership anniversary certificates and the much-converted Competition Cup won by Lesley Crisp, the

Committee for the coming year were elected - Janet McCheyne, Sally Wall, Denise Wakeling, Mandy Nelson, Lesley Crisp, Carol Davis and myself who is once again happy to be President.

Members will be at the Pink Parachute in Hornchurch for some pottery painting in June, back in Bulphan village hall in July making Lavender wands and poppies, they will also be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee by wearing red, white and blue and bringing along something with a Royal connection for the competition.

Updates about future meetings, information, photographs, and much more can be found on Facebook at Bulphan Women's Institute and on Twitter @bulphanwi or contact us via Secretary Janet McCheyne on 07752836902 or email:

bulphanwi@gmail.com









The Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan Prayer Group



For everyone!!

Every 3rd Tuesday of each month, 8-9pm at The Woolmarket, High Road, Horndon on the Hill.

19th April – Sue Mann's House, in Orsett – Listening & seeking God's heart
17th May – upstairs room in Woolmarket – Children, schools & young people
21st June – downstairs room in Woolmarket – Unity, vision, & communication
19th July – downstairs room in Woolmarket – Local needs / the roads we live in
16th August – upstairs room in Woolmarket – Our Parish, services & events
20th September – downstairs room in Woolmarket – Mission and outreach
18th October – downstairs room in Woolmarket – Nurturing & learning, going deeper
15th November – downstairs room in Woolmarket – Giving & finance
20th December – downstairs room in Woolmarket – Global issues, social justice & ecology

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