



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

### Weekly notice sheet

Sunday 18th December 2022—4th Sunday of Advent

8.45am CW Holy Communion Service

10am Holy Communion Service

at St Giles and All Saints Church, Orsett



*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** - Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we wait for his coming in glory; bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Post Communion** - Heavenly Father, who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of the promised saviour: fill us your servants with your grace, that in all things we may embrace your holy will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Dear Everyone,

On Tuesday, it was lovely to be able to offer the Church to host the 'Nativity on The Pound,' and to see so many of you. As ever, it was a great community event and, although it was disappointing not to be able to hold this outside this year, a lovely atmosphere was created as a result of all the hard work of everyone who organised it. And thank you for your kind donations towards the church heating.

On Wednesday evening, I attended Orsett School's beautiful Candlelight Concert, which was held outside on the playground. It was a privilege to be part of this as the children told the Christmas story through song, readings and dance, incorporating some of our seasonal favourites which got us all joining in.

This week has also been a week of lovely Christingle Services. Thank you to everyone who made the Christingles and ensured these services happened smoothly and safely.

As we enjoy the festivities, I am conscious that for some people this is a tough time, perhaps as a result of bereavement, health concerns or financial worries. At Bulphan Church next Tuesday evening at 7.30pm we are offering a Blue Christmas, or Longest Night, Service to enable anyone who wishes to celebrate Christmas in a more reflective way with the opportunity to light a candle to offer to God any person or any circumstance that is currently on their mind. It is a lovely service. Do come along and support this if you are able.

And, finally, don't forget our Drive-in Carol Service, this Sunday at 6.30pm at Arden Hall Farm, Horndon. You need to book a ticket for this, and details are on page 2 of the notices. It is at 6.30pm to allow those of you who are football fans to watch the final first. But, now that England is out of the world cup, there is really no excuse for not coming!! But don't forget to wrap up warm!!

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Take care and God bless,

Sue



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## Prayers for the week

### Prayer Diary

- THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - Please pray for the members of the Guild of Servants of the Sanctuary, and the Company of Servers, and all people who serve Christ at the altar.
- Pray for: The Anglican Church of Korea
- Prayers for the rest of the week can be found here-: <https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/uploads-new/publications/WePray-Dec22-Feb23.pdf>

### Parish prayer diary

**Horndon** Pat P, Carol N, John V, Jane L, Freda K, Chris C, Nick T, Moira, Ivy  
**Orsett** Janet W, Gill C, Edna F, Sandra B, Pat W, Di B, Ted S, Joan M, Sue L, Maureen D, Margaret C  
**Bulphan** Brian F, Anita J, Richard R  
**Other** Eddie, Brooke, Elizabeth, Dottie and her family



### Prayers for the recently bereaved

**Horndon** The family and friends of Alan Pollington, Florrie Johnson, Howard Barber, Becky Marchant  
**Orsett** The family and friends of Rita Snellings, Joyce Hunt

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

## Longest Night Blue Christmas Service

*A service to reflect a glimpse of the light of Christ 'when Christmas hurts'.*

*Tuesday 20th December at 7.30pm at Bulphan Church*



A photo of Louise, Megan, Emily and Frank Jnr, who took part in the 'Pound Nativity' which relocated to Orsett Church due to the weather!

## Drive-in Christmas Carols

The Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan 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-2022-tickets-451041245507](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/drive-in-carol-service-2022-tickets-451041245507)  
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.

6.30pm Sunday 18th December  
at Arden Hall Farm,  
Horndon on the Hill, SS17 8PZ

## 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    **Bulphan** - 24, Church Lane & Bulphan Local Store

Shortages this week are: tinned potatoes, tinned meats -currys, stews etc., tomato soup, noodles, tinned fruit, mashed potatoes, jam & spreads, tinned fish, custard and fruit juice.



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## Diary Dates

### Services

- Sunday 18th December Drive in Carol Service at Benton's Farm, Horndon (tickets must be pre-ordered)
- Next week's services
  - ◊ Tuesday 20th - Blue Christmas Service Bulphan Church at 7.30pm
  - ◊ Saturday 24th - 4pm Carol Service at Orsett Church
  - ◊ Saturday 24th - 8.30pm Holy Communion Service at Horndon Church
  - ◊ Saturday 24th - 10pm Holy Communion Service at Bulphan Church
  - ◊ Sunday 25th - 10am Holy Communion Service at Bulphan Church
- 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

Dates for  
your  
diary.....

### Advance notices

- The funeral of Alan Pollington will be at Basildon Crematorium on Wednesday 28th Dec at 11.30am
- Baptism preparation meetings: Monday 9th January held at 7.30pm in Orsett Church and Saturday 28th January held at 12 noon in Horndon on the Hill Church

### Hobnob Magazine

- January edition—Please submit articles to Ron by **December 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

### Eco Pause for Thought

*Start an annual, earth-friendly, Christmas family tradition - decorate a tree for the birds, go on a family nature hike or plant a tree together.*



### Individual Private Prayer

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

Bulphan Church	Monday and Thursday	Free refreshments are available on Monday, Tuesday and Saturday.
Horndon-on-the-Hill Church	Tuesday and Saturday	



### Bible Readings for this week

### Principal Service

Sunday

Isaiah 7.10–16  
Psalm 80.1–8, 18–20

Romans 1.1–7  
Matthew 1.18–end

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
Monday	Psalm 144 Isaiah 52.13—end of 53 2 Peter 1.1–15	Psalm 57 Malachi 1.1, 6—end Matthew 19.1–12	Tues	Psalm 46 Isaiah 54 2 Peter 1.16—2.3	Psalm 4 Malachi 2.1–16 Matthew 19.13–15
Weds	Psalm 121 Isaiah 55 2 Peter 2.4—end	Psalm 84 Malachi 2.17—3.12 Matthew 19.16—end	Thurs	Psalm 124 Isaiah 56.1–8 2 Peter 3	Psalm 48 Malachi 3.13—end of 4 Matthew 23.1–12
Friday	Psalm 130 Isaiah 63.1–6 2 John	Psalm 89.1–37 Nahum 1 Matthew 23.13–28	Sat	Psalm 45 Isaiah 58 3 John	Psalm 85 Zechariah 2 Revelation 1.1–8

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