



Welcome to the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan

Weekly notice sheet

Sunday 25th December 2022—Christmas Day

10am Holy Communion Service

at St Mary the Virgin Church, Bulphan



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, your birth at Bethlehem draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you, our Saviour and our eternal God. Amen.

Post Communion - God our Father, in this night you have made known to us again the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: confirm our faith and fix our eyes on him until the day dawns and Christ the Morning Star rises in our hearts. To him be glory both now and for ever.

Dear Everyone,

It has been lovely to see many of you at recent Christmas Services and celebrations. Thank you, so much, for your Christmas greetings, cards and presents.

As we fast approach Christmas Day now, I would like to express huge appreciation to all of you who have served, faithfully, in the churches in this Parish over the past year. Whatever your role, your contribution is greatly valued. I encourage you all, in the busyness of the season, to take some time over the next few days to rest, recharge and reflect upon the true meaning of Christmas, the birth of Jesus Christ; God incarnate, who came to earth as one of us, to show us love and redeem us.

The week after Christmas, Moji and I will be taking as leave and the following week, Max will do the same so there will be one of us available during period should you need to contact a member of clergy. There will be no Facebook prayers the week after Christmas and no open church or lunchtime communion on Tuesday 27th, in order to give everyone a break. Normal service patterns will resume the following week.

I wish you all a blessed and peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Take care and God bless,

Sue



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Prayers for the week

Prayer Diary

- CHRISTMAS DAY - NATIVITY OF OUR LORD - "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth." (John 1:14)
- Pray for: The Anglican Church of Melanesia
- 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 Diane B, Bill R, 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
Other The family and friends of Ian French

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



THE PARISH OF HORNDON, ORSETT AND BULPHAN

CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2022

Saturday 24th December
4pm Carol Service at Orsett Church
8.30pm Holy Communion Service at Horndon Church
10pm Holy Communion Service at Bulphan Church

Sunday 25th December
10am Holy Communion Service at Bulphan Church

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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: pasta/cooking sauces, custard, porridge, desserts - sponge puddings/jelly/rice pudding (we are really short), tinned meats - stew, curry, bolognese, sausages & beans etc



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Diary Dates

Services

- Next week's Sunday services (1st January) 10am All Together Holy Communion Service, Horndon Church
- There are no Morning Prayers during the week after Christmas they resume on Monday 2nd January
- 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

- 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

Dates for
your
diary.....

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

Eco Pause for Thought

Wrap presents with kindness for the environment. Shiny, foil wrapping 'paper' and ribbon can't be recycled and will go to landfill. Try wrapping in beautiful, seasonal scarves or decorating reusable cloth bags, or with ribbons around newspaper. Also remember that glittery Christmas cards aren't recyclable and will spend their lives in landfill.

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.



Bible Readings for this week

Principal Service

Sunday

Isaiah 52.7–10
Psalm 98

Hebrews 1.1–4 [5–12]
John 1.1–14

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
Monday	Psalm 13 Jeremiah 26.12–15 Acts 6	Psalm 86 Genesis 4.1–10 Matthew 23.34–end	Tues	Psalm 21 Exodus 33.12–end 1 John 2.1–11	Psalm 97 Isaiah 6.1–8 1 John 5.1–12
Weds	Psalm 36 Genesis 37.13–20 Matthew 18.1–10	Psalm 128 Isaiah 49.14–25 Mark 10.13–16	Thurs	Psalm 19 Isaiah 57.15–end John 1.1–18	Psalm 132 Jonah 1 Colossians 1.1–14
Friday	Psalm 113 Isaiah 59.1–15a John 1.19–28	Psalm 65 Jonah 2 Colossians 1.15–23	Sat	Psalm 102 Isaiah 59.15b –end John 1.29–34	Psalm 90 Jonah 3–4 Colossians 1.24–2.7

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