



Welcome to the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan

Weekly notice sheet

Sunday 19th February 2023 - Sunday next before Lent

8.45am CW Holy Communion Service, **10am** Holy Communion Service
at St Giles and All Saints Church, Orsett



4pm Refresh Service at St Peter and St Paul 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 - Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion - Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Dear Everyone,

We are approaching Lent when we remember Jesus in the wilderness, in preparation for his earthly ministry. It is a good time for us all to refocus on God and to consider our priorities. The church will be offering several opportunities to help us to do this.

Lent will begin with an Ash Wednesday Service on Wednesday 22nd February at 7.30pm at St Peter and St Paul's Church, Horndon on the Hill. There will also be a Lent Course on Monday evenings from 8pm until 9pm at the Rectory. Please let me know if you are interested in coming.

You can also sign up to receive daily Lent Reflections from a Church of England Resource entitled 'Dust and Glory'. These take us on a Lent journey of faith, failure and forgiveness and are intended to help us to find God in the mess of every day life. You can find details of how to sign up to these reflections on page 3 of the notices. I will be ordering a few paper copies for those who don't have access to electronic devices. Please let me know if you would like one.

Also, the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book this year is entitled Failure: What Jesus said about sin, mistakes and messing stuff up by Emma Ineson. One of the parishioners has kindly given me a copy of this book as she has found it helpful and I am looking forward to reading it. It is produced by SPCK and the ISBN Number, should you wish to order yourself a copy is 978-0-281-08784-6. Or you can get it as an e-book, with ISBN: 978-0-281-08785-3. During Lent, the churches together in Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan will be hosting the annual World Day of Prayer service on Friday 3rd March at St Giles and All Saints Church, Orsett at 12 noon (changed from 11am as shown in Hobnob magazine).

And, also during Lent there will be a Lent Lunch every Saturday at 12.00 where we will share a simple lunch. There is no charge for this but people will be asked to make a donation to the Great Green Wall, a tree planting initiative in Africa. The first of these will be at Horndon Church on Saturday 25th February and the pattern will be HOB, Horndon, Orsett, Bulphan....., there will be actual dates in next week's notice sheet.

This Sunday we are also having a Refresh Service, 4pm at Horndon Church and everyone is Welcome. It is an informal, contemporary service using a screen and modern worship songs. The service lasts approximately an hour and is followed by refreshments.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Take care and God bless,

Sue



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Prayers for the week

Prayer Diary

- **THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT** - Please pray for a deepening of our faith during the upcoming season of Lent and for those who will be participating in Lent courses.
- **Pray for:** *Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda*
- 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

<i>Horndon</i>	Carol N, Jane L, Freda K, Nick T, Moira, Ivy
<i>Orsett</i>	Michael L, Robert (Bob) A, Edna F, Sandra B, Pat W, Di B, Joan M, Sue L, Maureen D, Margaret C
<i>Bulphan</i>	Tony C, Brian F, Anita J
<i>Other</i>	Brooke, Elizabeth, Dottie and her family



Prayers for the recently bereaved

<i>Horndon</i>	The family and friends of Peter Wallwork, Chris Cork, John Vereker, Alan Pollington
<i>Orsett</i>	The family and friends of Robert Nash, Marilyn Wordley
<i>Bulphan</i>	The family and friends of Sandra Thompson, Doreen Walker, Eileen Woodhead

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

Shrove Tuesday & Ash Wednesday

The exact date of Shrove Tuesday changes from year to year and typically falls between 3rd February and 9th March. This year Shrove Tuesday is on 21st February and is followed, the next day, by Ash Wednesday.

What is Shrove Tuesday?

Shrove Tuesday is a feast day to celebrate indulgence before a period of fasting during the Christian season of Lent, the 40-day period before Easter Sunday.

Why do we eat pancakes on Shrove Tuesday?

Shrove Tuesday provides an opportunity to use up eggs and fats before Lent – during which eggs, fats, dairy and meat were traditionally given up – making pancakes a great recipe choice.

What Is Ash Wednesday?

Each year, Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is a 40-day season (not counting Sundays) marked by repentance, fasting, reflection, and ultimately celebration. The 40-day period represents Christ's time of temptation in the wilderness, where he fasted and where Satan tempted him. Lent asks believers to set aside a time each year marking an intentional season of focus on following Christ.

In many congregations, the ashes are prepared by burning palm branches from the previous Palm Sunday. On Palm Sunday, churches bless and hand out palm branches to attendees, referencing the Gospels' account of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, when onlookers laid palm branches on his path.

The ashes of this holiday symbolize two main things: death and repentance. "Ashes are equivalent to dust, and human flesh is composed of dust or clay ([Genesis 2:7](#)), and when a human corpse decomposes, it returns to dust or ash."

With this focus on our own mortality and sinfulness, Christians can enter into the Lent season solemnly while also looking forward in greater anticipation and joy to the message of Easter and Christ's ultimate victory over sin and death.

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: Shortages this week are:

tinned meat e.g. – ravioli, spaghetti bolognese, beans with sausages, spaghetti with sausages, tinned potatoes, tinned fruit, packet mash, jam & spreads, rice, desserts (sponge puddings, rice pudding, jelly, custard), custard, cereals and fruit juice



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Turkey and Syria earthquake: how to help

tearfund

Every minute counts in the desperate race to help people affected by the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria. The church is rising up to respond – and you can make a difference right now.

More than 17,000 people have lost their lives. Whole towns have been flattened. Tens of thousands of people whose homes have been destroyed are now at the mercy of a freezing winter.

As part of the Disasters Emergency Committee – a group of humanitarian agencies – Tearfund has launched an emergency appeal. Our church partner in Syria is providing vital supplies such as warm clothing, nourishing food and hygiene essentials. But the need is vast – your support will make a crucial difference.

If you wish to donate to Tearfund

- by cheque, then please make it payable to Tearfund and send it to the following address: Tearfund, 100 Church Road, Teddington, Middlesex, TW11 8QE.
- If you prefer to give over the phone, please contact Tearfund on 020 3906 3906.
- You can also donate on-line at www.tearfund.org/campaigns/turkey-syria-earthquake-appeal, this link has been added to our Facebook page and this will be shared on the three village Facebook groups.

The Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan



(A WOMEN LED, GLOBAL, ECUMENICAL MOVEMENT)

Our sisters in Taiwan are sending us blessings with the service they have prepared for World Day of Prayer 2023.

The Day of Prayer is celebrated in over 120 countries. It begins in Samoa and prayer in native languages travels throughout the world --- through Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Europe and the Americas before finishing in American Samoa some 38 hours later.



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Eco Pause for Thought

Hiring clothes - Instead of buying a new outfit for a wedding or a special night out, why not think about hiring an item?

This is becoming more popular and John Lewis has just launched their own clothing rental department.

DUST + GLORY

Dust and Glory encourages us to take a fresh look at the frustrations and failings that every day brings, seek to learn from them and grow closer to God through them.

- You can download a free app for free
- **Email** reflections—Sign up to our free daily Lent reflection emails (except Sundays) straight to your inbox from Ash Wednesday (22 February) to Easter Day (9 April). All you need to do is register on this website—<https://www.churchofengland.org/our-faith/what-we-believe/lent-holy-week-and-easter/dust-and-glory-lent-reflections>
- Smart speaker—the audio version of the Lent reflections are available for free on Alexa and Google home smart devices. Just tell your smart speaker to 'Ask the Church of England for today's Dust and Glory reflections' and you will hear a Bible passage, a short reflection, a practical challenge and a prayer, starting 22nd February.
- Revd Sue has a limited number of printed copies, please let her know if you would like one.

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Diary Dates

Services

- Wednesday 22nd February 7.30pm Ash Wednesday at Horndon Church
- Next week's Sunday services (26th February) 8.45am CW Holy Communion and 10am Family Service at Bulphan Church
- Tuesday 28th February 12 noon Holy Communion Service at Horndon 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 interment of the ashes of Allan Pollington will be on Friday 17th February at 10.30am at Horndon Church
- The funeral of Robert Nash will be on Monday 20th February at 12.15pm at Orsett Church.
- Prayer Group 8pm Tuesday 21st February at the Woolmarket, Horndon on the Hill
- The funeral of Doreen Walker will be on Friday 24th February at 2pm at South Essex Crematorium, Upminster
- The funeral of Sandra Thompson will be on Tuesday 28th February at 12 noon at Bulphan Church
- The interment of the ashes of Dorothy Smith will be on Thursday 9th March at 12.00 at Horndon Church
- Baptism preparation meetings: Saturday 11th March held at 12 noon in Horndon on the Hill Church, no meeting in April due to Easter break and Saturday 13th May held at 12 noon in Horndon on the Hill Church
- The funeral Peter Wallwork will be on Monday 27th March, 1pm committal at Basildon Crematorium and 2pm memorial service at Horndon Church.
- The interment of the ashes of Margaret Thompson will be on Friday 14th April at 11.30am at Orsett Church.

Hobnob Magazine

- March edition—Please submit articles to Ron by **February 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

Individual Private Prayer

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

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



Bible Readings for this week

Principal Service

Sunday

Exodus 24.12–end
Psalm 2

2 Peter 1.16–end
Matthew 17.1–9

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
Mon	Psalm 71 Jeremiah 1 John 3.1–21	Psalm 72 Genesis 37.1–11 Galatians 1	Tues	Psalm 73 Jeremiah 2.1–13 John 3.22–end	Psalm 74 Genesis 37.12–end Galatians 2.1–10
Weds	Psalm 38 Daniel 9.3–6, 17–19 1 Timothy 6.6–19	Psalm 51 Isaiah 1.10–18 Luke 15.11–end	Thurs	Psalm 77 Jeremiah 2.14–32 John 4.1–26	Psalm 74 Genesis 39 Galatians 2.11–end
Friday	Psalm 3 Jeremiah 3.6–22 John 4.27–42	Psalm 31 Genesis 40 Galatians 3.1–14	Sat	Psalm 71 Jeremiah 4.1–18 John 4.43–end	Psalm 73 Genesis 41.1–24 Galatians 3.15–22

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