



Welcome to the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan



Weekly notice sheet

Sunday 14th January - 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

8.45am BCP Holy Communion Service and **10am** Family Service at
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.

*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 Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion - God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Dear Everyone,

Last Sunday we celebrated Epiphany, the arrival of the Magi to see Jesus, and we reflected upon Christianity being a journey of faith rather than a destination, we thought about God's call on us to study his word and engage with him through prayer and we all considered how we might give ourselves in love and service to follow Jesus.

If you would like to know more about the Christian faith or if you would appreciate a refresher, don't forget that we have our Alpha Course beginning at the end of this month. It will be taking place on Sunday afternoons at the Orsett Churches Centre between 4 and 5.30pm. We will be running this course in conjunction with the Wellcome Church. Please let me know if you are interested and I can give you more information.

Last weekend we also held Forest Church when, organised by David Mortimer, we created little bug hotels which can now be found around the churchyard at Orsett. We had a great time, drilling holes in pieces of wood to create habitats for mini beasts, as we thought about our responsibility to care for all that God, in his great generosity, has given us.

This Tuesday evening, the prayer group resumes. All are welcome as we gather to pray for the world, the church and our three villages. We will be meeting at the Woolmarket in Horndon at 8pm. Prayer is the foundation of everything we do as a church. Do come along and join in.

As ever, please do let me know of any prayer or pastoral needs.
Take care and God bless,

Sue

Thurrock Foodbank

Your continued support is much appreciated. The Parish has four collection boxes as listed below:



Horndon 1, Lion Cottages, High Rd

Orsett The Rectory, School Lane

Bulphan 24, Church Lane & Bulphan Stores

Shortages this week are: *sponge puddings, jelly, squash & fruit juice, washing up liquid, washing tablets, shampoo and conditioner.*



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THE CHURCHES OF HORNDON, ORSETT AND BULPHAN

Would you like to attend an Alpha Course - 4pm on Sunday afternoons, beginning on Sunday 28th January, for eleven weeks at the Orsett Churches Centre.
It would be very helpful if you could let Revd Sue if you would like to attend, her email is rectorsue@hobnob.org.uk



What is Alpha?

Alpha is a series of group conversations that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith in an open, friendly environment. Everyone's welcome. No matter your background or beliefs, you're invited.

What to expect

Connection

Life is better together. Alpha brings together people from all walks of life who are curious about faith. Each session starts with some time to eat, relax and get to know your group.

Content

Each session covers a different topic of faith, with a short video. The Alpha episodes are designed to engage and inspire conversation. They're about thirty minutes long and explore the big issues around faith and unpack the basics of Christianity, addressing questions such as Who is Jesus?, How can we have faith? and How does God guide us?

Conversation

The last part of an Alpha is a chance to share your thoughts on the session's topic and discuss it in your small groups. It's an open and welcoming environment, no matter what your opinion. There's no pressure to say anything, but the floor is yours if you do want to.

Eco Pause for Thought - BRING YOUR OWN BOTTLE

We produce 78 million tonnes of plastic globally but just 2% of this is made from recycled material (Ellen MacArthur Foundation). This means common items like plastic bottles are produced from virgin plastic, used once and thrown away, at a cost to our planet. Plastic bottles are one of the most common sources of plastic pollution, and are frequently found on beach cleans globally. The lids commonly end up in seabirds' stomachs.



The Oasis Café is held on a Friday morning, during term time, from 9am to 11.30am in the Orsett Churches centre. Enjoy a cup of tea and coffee with cake.

Edward Bear Toddler Group is also held on Fridays, during term time, from 9.30am to 11am at the Orsett Churches centre. There will be craft activities and free play, as well as time for stories, singing and prayers. There's no need to book, just come along on Friday morning. All babies and children under school age are welcome with their carer, whether that's parent, grandparent etc.



Diary Dates

Services

- Next Sunday's services, 21st January
 - ◇ 8.45am CW Holy Communion Service at Orsett Church
 - ◇ 10am Holy Communion Service at Orsett Church
 - ◇ 4pm Refresh Service at Horndon Church
- Tuesday 23rd January, 12 noon Holy Communion Service at Horndon Church

Dates for
your
diary.....

Advance notice

- Prayer Group, 8pm Tuesday 16th January at the Woolmarket, Horndon on the hill
- The funeral of Betty Barness, 10am on Monday 15th January at Orsett Church
- The funeral of Grahame Evans, 12 noon on Friday 2nd February at Horndon Church
- Baptism Preparation meeting, 7.30pm on Tuesday 12th February at Orsett Church

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 www.hobnob.org.uk/magazine

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Prayers

Prayer Diary

- THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY In the coming Week of Prayer for Christian Unity all Christians must remember the words of Jesus: "A new command I give you: "Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." (John 13:34-35).
- Pray for: The Church of The Province of South East Asia
- Prayers for the rest of the week can be found here-: www.chelmsford.anglican.org/publications/wepray

Parish prayer diary

Horndon Jane B, Moira B, Gerry T, Jan C, Sharon H, Carol N, David St P, Kevin H, Freddy, Nick T, Ivy
Orsett Sarah S, Di B, Margaret C
Bulphan Frank W, Brian F, Anita J
Other Hazel K, Elizabeth, Dottie and her family



Prayers for the recently bereaved

Horndon The family and friends of Grahame Evans, Frank Radcliffe, Brian Stockley, Jean Twyford.
Orsett The family and friends of Betty Barness, Claire Winyard, Morag Waterman

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

Online Prayers

- Evening Prayers are at 6.30pm 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

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</i>
Horndon-on-the-Hill Church	Tuesday and Saturday	<i>Monday, Tuesday and Saturday.</i>

Bible Readings for this week

Principal Service		
Sunday	1 Samuel 3.1–10 Psalm 139.1–9	Revelation 5.1–10 John 1.43–end

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
Mon	Psalm 80 Genesis 6.11–7.10 Matthew 24.1–14	Psalm 85 Amos 6 1 Corinthians 6.1–11	Tues	Psalm 132 Genesis 7.11–end Matthew 24.15–28	Psalm 89.1–37 Amos 7 1 Corinthians 6.12–end
Weds	Psalm 81 Genesis 8.1–14 Matthew 24.29–end	Psalm 97 Amos 8 1 Corinthians 7.1–24	Thurs	Psalm 76 Genesis 8.15–9.7 Matthew 25.1–13	Psalm 111 Amos 9 1 Corinthians 7.25–end
Fri	Psalm 88 Genesis 9.8–19 Matthew 25.14–30	Psalm 73 Hosea 1.1–2.1 1 Corinthians 8	Sat	Psalm 122 Genesis 11.1–9 Matthew 25.31–end	Psalm 61 Hosea 2.2–17 1 Corinthians 9.1–14

Contact details

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