



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

### Weekly notice sheet

**Sunday 28th January - Candlemas**

**8.45am** CW Holy Communion Service and **10am** Family 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.*

*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 and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion** - Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Dear Everyone,

This Sunday, the season of Epiphany draws to a close as we celebrate Candlemas. Candlemas is when we remember both the ritual purification of Mary, 40 days after the birth of her son, Jesus, and the ritual presentation of Jesus to God in the Temple, at Jerusalem, where he was met by Anna and Simeon.

Simeon held Jesus and called him 'a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to [the] people Israel.' Luke 2:32. Do come along to one of our services, both of which are at Bulphan Church and details of which are above.

Don't forget, also, the Alpha Course begins this Sunday at 4pm at Orsett Churches Centre. It's not too late to sign up. All are welcome. If you haven't signed up but would like to come along, please just turn up.

As ever, please let me know of any prayer or pastoral needs.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Take care and God bless,

Sue



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### *Eco Pause for Thought* - LUNCH PACKAGING

If you're getting lunch while you're out, consider options to cut down on disposable packaging. For example, could you eat-in at a coffee shop rather than getting things to-go? This allows reusable crockery to be used, removes packaging for lunch options, and reduces waste as reusables will be washed afterwards. Alternatively, if you do need to get food to-go, could you bring your own container to a local café, sandwich shop, or food stall? By asking businesses to refill your container, you save them money and save the planet from disposable plastic!

Some businesses will reward customers with a discount for bringing their own reusable lunch container, so always check with the owner.

### Can you help?

Later in the year (date to be confirmed) the Parish Fundraising Group would like to hold a Pudding Evening. This evening can only go ahead if we can get the help of generous cooks and bakers to provide puddings and savouries. If you are able to help please put your name down on one of the lists at our churches or email Lynda (l.robertson@hobnob.org.uk) who will add you to the list.

You can ask any of our Churchwardens for more details.



### Thurrock Foodbank

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

<b>Horndon</b>	1, Lion Cottages, High Rd
<b>Orsett</b>	The Rectory, School Lane
<b>Bulphan</b>	24, Church Lane & Bulphan Stores



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

### Diary Dates

#### Services

- Next Sunday's services, 4th February
  - ◇ 10am All Together Holy Communion Service at Horndon Church

#### Advance notice

- Alpha Course starts Sunday 29th January at 4pm at the Orsett Churches Centre
- The funeral of Grahame Evans, 12 noon on Friday 2nd February at Horndon Church
- The funeral of Molly Chilton, 10.30am on Monday 5th February at Horndon Church
- Baptism Preparation meeting, 7.30pm on Tuesday 12th February at Orsett Church
- Prayer Group, 8pm Tuesday 16th February at the Woolmarket, Horndon on the hill
- Interment of the Ashes of Ronald Beard, 10.00am Monday 11th March at Orsett Church
- A celebration of the Eucharist in thanksgiving for the life of Di Bubb, Thursday 15th February in the evening time tbc at Orsett Church.
- The funeral of Di Bubb, 2pm (time tbc) on Friday 16th February at Orsett Church

Dates for  
your  
diary.....

### Hobnob Magazine

- March edition—Please submit articles to Ron by **February 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 [www.hobnob.org.uk/magazine](http://www.hobnob.org.uk/magazine)

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# **The Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan**

## **2024 LENT LUNCHES**

**Lent lunches will be provided on the following dates and venues (all Saturdays, with the lunch starting at 12 noon last serving at 1.45pm):**

- **17th February - Parish Room, Bulphan Church**
- **24th February - Orsett Churches Centre**
- **2nd March - The Woolmarket, Horndon on the Hill**
- **9th March - Parish Room, Bulphan Church**
- **16th March - Orsett Churches Centre**
- **23rd March - The Woolmarket, Horndon on the Hill**



**The menu will be a hearty soup (vegetarian), a chunk of French stick loaf, an apple and a (Fairtrade) hot drink.**

**Those attending are encouraged to donate what they would have spent on a lunch. At the lunch we will be selling raffle tickets for a hamper of Fairtrade goods.**

***All monies raised will be donated to Water Aid.***

***Water Aid works with their supporters, partners and local communities to make clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene normal for everyone, everywhere.***

***More details can be found at [www.wateraid.org/uk](http://www.wateraid.org/uk)***

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## Prayers

### Prayer Diary

- THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY [OR PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE (CANDLEMAS)] Let the flame of your love never be quenched in our hearts, O Lord. Waking or sleeping, living or dying, let us delight in your presence. Let the flame of your love brighten our souls and illumine our path, and let the majesty of your glory be our joy, our life and our strength now and for ever. Amen (Johann Arndt, 1555-1621)
- Pray for: The Anglican Church of Southern Africa
- Prayers for the rest of the week can be found here-: [www.chelmsford.anglican.org/publications/wepray](http://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/publications/wepray)

### Parish prayer diary

**Horndon** Jean K, Jane B, Moira B, Gerry T, Jan C, Sharon H, Carol N, David St P, Kevin H, Freddy, Nick T, Ivy  
**Orsett** Sarah S, 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 Molly Chilton, Grahame Evans  
**Orsett** The family and friends of Di Bubbs, Betty Barness, Claire Winyard

**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	Malachi 3.1–5 Psalm 24.7–end	Hebrews 2.14–end Luke 2.22–40

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
<b>Mon</b>	Psalm 126 Genesis 18.1–15 Matthew 27.11–26	Psalm 127 Hosea 9 1 Corinthians 12.12–end	<b>Tues</b>	Psalm 132 Genesis 18.16–end Matthew 27.27–44	Psalm 135 Hosea 10 1 Corinthians 13
<b>Weds</b>	Psalm 119.153–end Genesis 19.1–3, 12–29 Matthew 27.45–56	Psalm 136 Hosea 11.1–11 1 Corinthians 14.1–19	<b>Thurs</b>	Psalm 143 Genesis 21.1–21 Matthew 27.57–end	Psalm 138 Hosea 11.12–end of 12 1 Corinthians 14.20–end
<b>Fri</b>	Psalm 144 Genesis 22.1–19 Matthew 28.1–15	Psalm 145 Hosea 13.1–14 1 Corinthians 16.1–9	<b>Sat</b>	Psalm 147 Genesis 23 Matthew 28.16–end	Psalm 148 Hosea 14 1 Corinthians 16. 10–end

### Contact details

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