# Welcome to the Churches of Orsett, Bulphan and Horndon on the Hill



# Weekly notice sheet Sunday 17th January-2nd Sunday of Epiphany Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Holy Communion Service at 10am,



Microsoft Team and can be accessed via https://www.hobnob.org.uk/watch.

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(Instructions how to download are on page 3 of this notice sheet)

# **Today's Collect**

Heavenly Father, you have called us in the body of your Son Jesus Christ to continue his work of reconciliation and reveal you to the world: forgive us the sins which tear us apart; give us the courage to overcome our fears and to seek that unity which is your gift and your will; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **Post Communion**

Eternal God and Father, whose Son at supper prayed that his disciples might be one, as he is one with you: draw us closer to him, that in common love and obedience to you we may be united to one another in the fellowship of the one Spirit, that the world may believe that he is Lord, to your eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dear Everyone,

This Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> January, marks the beginning of the Week for Christian Unity, something desperately needed in our world at the moment, particularly after the shocking storming of the Capitol building in Washington by pro-Trump Protestors and the divisions highlighted by this. The Churches Together in Britain and Ireland, with the assistance of the Monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland, have put together some resources for this week, the theme of which is "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit", based on John 15:1-17.

The community reflects upon the importance of the rhythm of prayer, hymns and psalms and perhaps most importantly, silence, as an important gift from the ancient Church to the Church of today struggling with pandemics and lockdowns and, more widely, with some of the serious challenges that our world faces, most particularly climate change, racism and poverty.

They have produced some powerful daily meditations, prayers and practical suggestions, which you might like to use over the coming week, which can be found at

https://ctbi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/WPCU-2021-English-pamphlet-Final.pdf.pagespeed.ce.SnR5lgw9dp.pdf

Perhaps as we begin this week, you might like to join me in using this prayer from the meditations:

Lord, you are the vinedresser who cares for us with love. You call on us to see the beauty of each branch united to the vine, the beauty of each person. And yet, too often the differences in others make us afraid. We withdraw into ourselves. Our trust in you is forsaken. Enmity develops between us. Come and direct our hearts toward you once again. Grant us to live from your forgiveness so that we may be together and praise your name.

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

Take care and God bless,

Sue







# Prayers for the week

# **Prayer Diary**

- In this week of 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 Anglican Church of Australia
- We pray for the continued health of all those working at Thurrock Foodbank, the volunteers in the warehouse and distribution centres, the van crew and the office team that they may continue with good health and that they be able to cope with the continuing demand.
- Prayers for the rest of the week can be found here-://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/uploads-new/publications/ WePray-DEC20.pdf

# **Benefice Prayer Diary**

Sue C, Amy and Jesse, June, Sara, Allan, Di, Richard, Margaret C, Ivy, Steve J, Sandra, Pat, Dottie and her family

# Prayers for the recently bereaved

John and family following the death of Doris, Joanne and family following the death of Victor, the family of Susan D, Jimmy and the Dalziel family following the death of Joy, Lisa and her family following the death of Ron, Freda and her family following the death of Jean

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

## **Thurrock Foodbank**

Your continued support for this charity is much appreciated. The Benefice has organised 5 collection boxes as listed below:

Orsett The Rectory and Orsett Stores

Bulphan 24, Church Lane and Bulphan Local Store

Horndon-on-the-Hill 1, Lion Cottages, High Road

Shortages this week are: Long life milk, tinned fish, tinned spaghetti, sponge puddings



#### **Hobnob Magazine**

- February edition—Please submit articles to Ron by January 25th email: ronald714@btinternet.com
- The online version of the magazine can be found on our website news page <u>www.hobnob.org.uk/magazine</u>



# Care and Relief for the Young (CRY)

# **Stamp donations**

CRY can use your old stamps to generate additional income for the charity. Do you or your place of work keep the stamps it receives or are they thrown away? Please consider saving them for Cry. The stamps need to be trimmed from the envelope, collected together and for the moment kept at home. Eventually, there will be collection boxes at our churches in Orsett, Bulphan and Horndon-on-the-Hill and in Bulphan's Community café, Orsett Stores and Orsett's Oasis café.

https://www.cry.org.uk/about-us

# **Diary Dates**

#### Services

- Sunday services, at the moment, can be viewed on Microsoft Team and can be accessed via https:// www.hobnob.org.uk/watch. It is helpful to download the Microsoft App before the service as this works better. (instructions how to download are below)
- Morning and Evening Prayers will be held on a Monday and Friday at 8.30am and 6pm respectively and can be found through Facebook @HOBNOBChurches.
- If you would like to listen to daily prayers, these can be heard at <a href="https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps/time-to-pray">https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps/time-to-pray</a>
  Daily Hope, a free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers can be found on 0800 8048044

**Advance notices** (Please remember due to Covid regulations only those invited to funerals can attend)

- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Jan, 12.00 at Horndon Church: The funeral of Victor Pasquale
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan, 12.00 at Bulphan Church: The funeral of Susan Drain
- Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan, 10.30am at Horndon Church: Interment of ashes of Peter Flint
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Jan, 11am at Orsett Church: The funeral of Doris Davis





# **Individual Private Prayer**

All churches are closed for private prayer for the foreseeable future but please let Revd Sue or Revd Max know if you have any prayer or pastoral needs





# **Microsoft Teams App**

You don't need to make a Microsoft account, just download Teams. You can do this by going to: https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/microsoft-teams/download-app

To access Sunday services you then access teams via https://www.hobnob.org.uk/watch

## **Bible Readings for this week**

Principal Service
John 15: 1-17

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
Monday	Psalm 146 Amos 6 1 Corinthians 6.1-11	Psalm 71 Genesis 6.11-7.10 Matthew 24.1-14	Tuesday	Psalm 132 Amos 7 1 Corinthians 6.12-end	Psalm 89.1-37 Genesis 7.11-end Matthew 24.15-28
Wednesday	Psalm 81 Amos 8 1 Corinthians 7.1-24	Psalm 97 Genesis 8.1-14 Matthew 24.29-end	Thursday	Psalm 76 Amos 9 1 Corinthians 7.25-end	Psalm 111 Genesis 8.15-9.7 Matthew 25.1-163
Friday	Psalm 27 Hosea 1.1-2.1 1 Corinthians 8	Psalm 673 Genesis 9.8-19 Matthew 25.14-end	Saturday	Psalm 122 Hosea 2.2-17 1 Corinthians 9.1-14	Psalm 61 Genesis 11.1-9 Matthew 25.31-end

Sunday

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