

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

## Weekly notice sheet Sunday 7th March-3rd Sunday of Lent



## Today's Collect

Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Dear Everyone,

We are in the middle of Lent now; I wonder how you are getting on with whatever you have undertaken or given up for Lent. Next Sunday is the fourth Sunday of Lent, which is Mothering Sunday. It is a time when we think about mums and those who care for us. But In the 16th century, Mothering Sunday was less about mothers and more about church. Back then, people would make a journey to their 'mother' church once a year. This might have been their home church, their nearest cathedral or a major parish church in a bigger town. The service which took place at the 'mother' church symbolised the coming together of families. Another tradition was to allow those working in the fields on wealthy farms and estates in England to have the day off on the fourth Sunday of Lent to visit their mothers and possibly go to church too.



Sadly, we can't meet in church this year, so we are unable to give flowers to mothers and others whose help or support we have appreciated. So, as an alternative, a great suggestion has been made that if you would like to share a very brief message of appreciation or word of thanks for your mum or any person or group of people, on our notice sheet, please could you send your message to Lynda Robertson by Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March.

As things develop with regard to lockdown, I will keep you posted, but in the meantime, take care and God bless.

Sue



## Prayers for the week

## Prayer Diary

- Pray that we will daily continue to listen to God and look for his purpose in our lives during this holy season of Lent.
- Pray for the Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo
- We pray this week for all those planning to return to school in the coming weeks, may those in leadership have wisdom and patience and strength as they implement their "return to school plans" .
- Pray for the young people as they return may soon get back to the way of learning and interact after this time of isolation and may any of the worries about their future be diminished.
- Prayers for the rest of the week can be found here-://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/uploads-new/publications/WePray-Feb-Mar21.pdf

## Benefice Prayer Diary

<i>Horndon</i>	Revd Brenda, Jean, Sara, Jan C, Moira, Ivy
<i>Orsett</i>	Maureen D, Pat, Di, Heather and Dawn, Margaret C, Steve J
<i>Bulphan</i>	Sue C, Richard, June
<i>Other</i>	Marilyn F, Dottie and her family



## Prayers for the recently bereaved

<i>Horndon</i>	Family and friends of Elaine P
<i>Orsett</i>	Michael and family following the death of Eileen, John and family following the death of Doris
<i>Bulphan</i>	Friends and family of Eric J

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

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## 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: custard, toilets rolls. We are also collecting Easter Eggs

## Hobnob Magazine

- April edition—Please submit articles to Ron by March 25th 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)

## 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



## Diary Dates

### Services

- This week's Sunday service, can be accessed via Zoom. The zoom link will be emailed to the church family on our database.
- Morning and Evening Prayers will be on Monday to Saturday at 8.30am and 7pm respectively and can be found through 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



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

- Facebook Beastly Bible Story at 4.30pm on a Sunday afternoon
- Fischy Music assemblies on Mondays at 11am. The link for Fischy Music is [www.youtube.com/user/Fischymusic](http://www.youtube.com/user/Fischymusic)
- Lent course 'For such a time as this' on zoom Thursday at 8pm, the link is sent to everyone on the database
- The Funeral of Elaine Payne is to be held on Tuesday 9th March, 11am at Horndon-on-the-Hill Church
- The Funeral of Eileen Leach is to be held on Monday 22nd March, 2pm at Orsett Church
- The Internment of Glenn Osborne's ashes on Saturday 27th March, 11.30 at the new cemetery in Horndon

## Bible Readings for this week

### Principal Service

**Sunday** Exodus 20.1-17 Psalm 19  
1 Corinthians 1.18-25 John 2.13-22

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
<b>Monday</b>	Psalm 7 Jeremiah 11.1-17 John 7.37-52	Psalm 17 Genesis 47.1-27 Hebrews 4.14-5.10	<b>Tuesday</b>	Psalm 9 Jeremiah 11.18-12.6 John 7.53-8.11	Psalm 52 Genesis 44.1-17 Hebrews 2.1-9
<b>Wednesday</b>	Psalm 38 Jeremiah 131-11 John 8.12-30	Psalm 39 Genesis 49.1-32 Hebrews 6.13-end	<b>Thursday</b>	Psalm 56 Jeremiah 14 John 8.31-47	Psalm 59 Genesis 49.33-end of 50 Hebrews 7.1-10
<b>Friday</b>	Psalm 22 Jeremiah 15.10-end John 8.48-end	Psalm 69 Exodus 1.1-14 Hebrews 7.11-end	<b>Saturday</b>	Psalm 31 Jeremiah 16.10-17.4 John 9.1-17	Psalm 116 Exodus 1.22-2.10 Hebrews 8

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# Calling all you artists

*Chelmsford Cathedral has launched Good Lament and Hard Hope with a group of textile artists called the Material Girls. The project explores the challenges of the pandemic and wants to enable people to express their grief and hope through handmade fabric postcards. The postcards will then be used as part of an art installation in the Cathedral this summer.*

*A Community based craft project exploring the pandemic.*

The coronavirus pandemic has affected everyone. All of us have been changed in some way, either through illness, isolation or loss of employment. But lockdown has also given us the opportunity to re-evaluate our goals and discover new ways of connecting.

And that's why we are really excited to be launching a new community art project with a group of textile artists, The Material Girls.

Called Good Lament and Hard Hope the project explores the challenges of the pandemic and wants to help enable people to express their grief and hope through hand-made fabric postcards. The postcards will then be used as part of an art installation in the Cathedral in the summer of 2021.

The making of the postcards is intended to help people express their feelings, to reflect our individual and corporate experiences during this ongoing pandemic. Aside from the two strong themes of lament and hope, the other theme is the environment. The healing power of nature has come to the fore in many people's minds during this pandemic, but also our need to care for, love and tend it better. In the making of these fabric postcards, you are asked to consider the environment, to reuse and recycle material and to avoid any plastics.

- When you are making your postcard you may wish to ask yourself:
- What have you lost during this pandemic? What do you miss?
- What would you like to have again? What can you enjoy in the meantime?
- Who would you like to thank? What do you hope for in the future?

Everyone is invited to get involved and send us their postcards. The Material Girls have made an incredible start already, check out their website helpful tips and inspiration <http://www.the-materialgirls.co.uk/community-project.html>

A instruction sheet on how to make a fabric postcard has been sent out with this notice sheet.



## 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 does it throw them 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's Oasis café and Orsett Stores and Bulphan Stores.

Cry is able to sell them and raise essential money for our projects all round the world. They can use all kinds of stamps but they especially love any foreign ones as they are more sought after and therefore bring in more money for the charity.

CRY is a Christian children's charity which believes in a world where all children and young people are able to fulfil their God-given potential. They work in 28 nations and with 33 partners, to meet the practical needs of the most vulnerable and marginalised children, to help them grow up in safety, and with the support and resources they need to survive and thrive.

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



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