



# Welcome to the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan



## Weekly notice sheet

Sunday 11th February—Sunday next before Lent

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

*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** - Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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,

Last weekend, the PCC had an Away Afternoon at Mulberry House in Brentwood when we began with a short act of worship, we then looked at a few Bible verses and discussed how, as a Church we are as welcoming as possible. We had a good time of discussion and prayer and concluded the day by sharing communion.

The Alpha Course is going well and prompting some good discussion. Please do pray for all who are involved with this-both participants and leaders.

Don't forget our Ash Wednesday Service on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm at Horndon Church and, also, we will be offering Lent Lunches again this year, and all proceeds will be going to Water Aid. The dates and venues are shown below. You can just turn up.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Take care and God bless,

Sue

## 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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## *Eco Pause for Thought -*

### TEABAGS

Some teabags contain hidden plastics such as glues used to seal the bags, in the fabric of the bag itself, or in the packaging. For this reason, not all teabags can go into garden compost as they won't break down (or may break down into microplastics). And some alternative bags, such as those made from polylactic acid (PLA), can't go in your council food waste collection. Always check what you can put in your food bin where you live, using your council website. To avoid these plastics, try loose leaf tea which can be used with a strainer, or reusable teabags.

Alternatively, look for brands that are taking action to remove plastic from their tea – try bags that are unbleached and organic, in cardboard packaging.

## Thurrock Foodbank

Your continued support is much appreciated.  
The Parish has 4 collection boxes as listed below:

**Horndon:** 1, Lion Cottages, High Rd, **Orsett:** The Rectory, School Lane,

**Bulphan:** 4, Church Lane & Bulphan Stores

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



## Shrove Tuesday

Shrove Tuesday, Lent and Holy Week are all part of the journey to Easter Day, the biggest Christian celebration of the year. It is a time when lots of people make time to think carefully about their life. For Christians, this means trying to live God's way and remembering all that Jesus did.

### Why we have Pancake Day

Shrove Tuesday is also called Pancake day and is one last chance for a big party before Lent begins with Ash Wednesday the next day. Long ago, Christians traditionally used up all the eggs and fat they had in store by making pancakes and feasting on them. This was because when Lent came, they would eat less food, or even fast (do without food sometimes) to help them focus on God and not on the things they wanted. This tradition has been passed down the generations.

Shrove Tuesday always falls 47 days before Easter, a date which changes every year.

With eggs, flour, milk and butter, anyone can join in with Pancake Day.



## Diary Dates

### Services

- Tuesday 13th February, 2pm Holy Communion Service at the Whitecroft
- Tuesday 13th February, 7.30pm Holy Communion Service at the Orsett Rectory
- Wednesday 14th February, 7.30pm Ash Wednesday Service at Horndon Church
- Next Sunday's services, 18th February
  - ◇ 8.45am CW Holy Communion Service at Bulphan Church
  - ◇ 10am Holy Communion Service at Bulphan Church
  - ◇ 4pm Refresh Service at Horndon Church

### Advance notice

- The next Alpha Course Sunday 11th February at 4pm at the Orsett Churches Centre
- Baptism Preparation meeting, 7.30pm on Tuesday 12th February at Orsett Church
- A celebration of the Eucharist in thanksgiving for the life of Di Bubb, Thursday 15th February at 7pm at Orsett Church.
- The funeral of Di Bubb, 1.30pm on Friday 16th February at Orsett Church
- Prayer Group, 8pm Tuesday 20th February at the Woolmarket, Horndon on the hill
- World Day of Prayer, Friday 1st March 11am at Horndon's Methodist Church
- Interment of the Ashes of Ronald Beard, 10.00am Monday 11th March at Orsett Church
- Alpha Course Away day—Saturday 16th March

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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## Prayers

### Prayer Diary

- SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT Racial Justice Sunday: Today is an opportunity to reflect on the importance of racial justice, to give thanks for human diversity, and pray for an end to misunderstanding, racism and injustice.
- Pray for: The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan
- 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* Sonia W, Jane B, Moira B, Jan C, Sharon H, Carol N, David St P, Kevin H, Freddy, Nick T, Ivy  
*Orsett* Christine M, 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 Bubb, Betty Barnes, Claire Winyard  
*Bulphan* The family and friends of Winfrieth (Wini) Lapper  
*Other* The family and friends of Wendy Chamberlain



**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		
<b>Sunday</b>	2 Kings 2.1–12 Psalm 50.1–6	2 Corinthians 4.3–6 Mark 9.2–9

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
<b>Mon</b>	Psalm 30 Genesis 37.1–11 Galatians	Psalm 28 Jeremiah 1 John 3.1–21	<b>Tues</b>	Psalm 36 Genesis 37.12–end Galatians 2.1–10	Psalm 33 Jeremiah 2.1–13 John 3.22–end
<b>Weds</b>	Psalm 38 Daniel 9.3–6, 17–19 1 Timothy 6.6–19	Psalm 51 Isaiah 1.10–18 Luke 15.11–end	<b>Thurs</b>	Psalm 77 Genesis 39 Galatians 2.11–end	Psalm 74 Jeremiah 2.14–32 John 4.1–26
<b>Fri</b>	Psalm 3 Genesis 40 Galatians 3.1–14	Psalm 31 Jeremiah 3.6–22 John 4.27–42	<b>Sat</b>	Psalm 71 Genesis 41.1–24 Galatians 3.15–22	Psalm 73 Jeremiah 4.1–18 John 4.43–end

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