



Welcome to the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan

Weekly notice sheet



Sunday 23rd November — Sunday next before Advent—Christ the King

8.45am CW Holy Communion 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 - God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.

Post Communion - Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Let's Talk

Let's talk. We'll be here to listen to your community concerns, provide crime prevention advice and talk about what matters to you when it comes to policing in your communities. Need a confidential chat? We'll be here for that too - just ask.

Location:
Oasis café, Orsett church centre,
High Road, RM163ER

Date & Time:
Friday 21st November
10:00-11:00 hours
2025

Find out how Essex Police is making a difference in your area online at: essex.police.uk/yourarea

Christmas stamps

Please don't forget that we are collecting used stamps for the charity CRY (<https://www.cry.org.uk/>). The charity works all over the world to meet the practical needs of the most vulnerable and marginalised children. The stamps need to be trimmed from the envelope.

There are collection boxes in our three churches, Oasis Café in Orsett on Friday morning and Bulphan's Community Café on Thursday and Friday afternoon.

A Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan and Methodist Church

Christmas bazaar

Saturday 29th November,
12noon to 3pm
at the Methodist Church, High Road
Horndon On The Hill, SS17 8NG

Please come along

★ Books, jigsaws, Christmas games,
white elephant stall,
lucky dip and a cake stall. ★

Refreshments including bacon rolls
and sausage sandwiches

Diary Dates

Services

- Tuesday 25th November, 12 noon Holy Communion Service at Horndon Church
- Next Sunday's services, 30th November
 - ◊ **10am** All Together Holy Communion Service at Bulphan Church
- Saturday 6th December, 4pm Forest Church at Horndon Church

Advance notice

- Sunday 23rd November, baptisms of Alfie and Joshua Tingle at the 10am service in Orsett Church
- Monday 8th December, Baptism Preparation meeting, 7.30pm at Orsett Church
- Sunday 21st December, Discovery Bible Study Evening, 6-7pm at the Orsett Churches Centre

Dates for
your
diary.....

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We hope you can join us for

QVSR LONDON TILBURY SEAFARERS CENTRE'S CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

MONDAY 15TH December 2025 at 11.00am

Tenants Row, Tilbury RM18 7EH

Guests to be seated by 10.45am please feel free to bring a guest(s)

Refreshments will be served after the Carol Service

RVSP: Email: Julie.Hobby@qvsr.org.uk by 12th December 2025

Hobnob Magazine

- December edition—Please submit articles by **November 21st**
- email: magazine@hobnob.org.uk **(NEW EMAIL)**
- The online version of the magazine can be found on our website www.hobnob.org.uk/magazine

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Please help raise funds for our churches

Thank you to everyone who has already donated coins or notes. Since August 2021 we have raised, for church funds
£2,507.55

Please ask friends, family and work colleagues if they have any unwanted coins or notes.

Donations can be taken to one of our churches or you can email Lynda at l.robertson@hobnob.org.uk and she can arrange collection.

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Registered charity number: 1199779*

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GIFT IN WILLS

In our Parish, we welcome all gifts in wills, however large or small and we promise to use your gift to make a difference to our Parish.

A charitable legacy is a gift of money and this type of giving is commonly referred to as gifts in wills. Gifts in wills can be left to The Parish or an individual church and are exempt from inheritance tax.

Since needs change over the years, we encourage you to leave a gift in your will for the general purposes of the parish rather than for a specific purpose.

You can be confident that your gift will be used to make a real difference to the work of the Church.

We acknowledge gifts in whatever way the donor and/or their executors feel most appropriate. Equally, we can make sure that gifts remain anonymous if the donor prefers.

Further guidance can be found on the Church of England's website
<https://www.churchofengland.org/faith-life/church-legacy>

If you wish to talk to someone in confidence about the sorts of purposes your gift might fund, and how/if you would like your gift to be acknowledged, please contact Lynda Robertson

Eco Pause for Thought

Start a New Earth-Friendly Christmas Tradition!

This year, why not begin an annual, nature-inspired family tradition
decorate a Christmas tree for the birds!

Hang **dehydrated fruit slices** such as apples, oranges, and pears, or even **fresh fruit and veggies** on strings. Not only will you create a beautiful, natural outdoor decoration, but you'll also provide a welcome **winter treat for local birds.**

It's a simple, fun, and sustainable way to keep the whole family entertained and give a little back to nature during the festive season.



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Prayers

Prayer Diary

- CHRIST THE KING (SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT) Sovereign God, ruler of all creation, you sent Jesus to testify to the truth: that you alone are the Lord of life. Help us to listen always to his voice so that we may proclaim his realm of justice, peace, and endless love; through Christ, who reigns forever.
- Pray for: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia
- Prayers for the rest of the week can be found here-: www.chelmsford.anglican.org/publications/wepray

Parish prayer diary

Horndon Diane M, Jane L, Chris D, Peter B, Jean K, Moira B, Jan C, David St P.
Orsett Jane R, Pam W, Sid R,
Bulphan Ron P, Tony C, Debbie B-M, Anita J
Other Everyone in care homes and those who receive communion at home.

Prayers for the recently bereaved

Horndon The family and friends of Alan Nicholls, Gerry Toop, Nick Tressider
Orsett The family and friends of Gwen Brown, David Battershall, Stephen Smeeth



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

Online Prayers

- If you would like to listen to daily prayers, you can download at APP for your phone or tablet 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	Free refreshments are available on
Horndon-on-the-Hill Church	Tuesday and Saturday	Monday, Tuesday and Saturday.

Thurrock Foodbank The Parish has three collection boxes as listed below:

Horndon: 1, Lion Cottages, High Rd, **Orsett:** 1 Prince Charles Avenue **Bulphan:** Bulphan Stores

Shortages this week are: fruit juice, soups (meat & vegetable), desserts (custard, rice pudding, jelly, sponge puddings), mashed potato and tinned fish

Bible Readings for this week			Principal Service		
			Sunday	Jeremiah 23.1–6 Psalm 46	Colossians 1.11–20 Luke 23.33–43
	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
Mon	Psalm 96 Isaiah 14.3–20 Matthew 9.18–34	Psalm 80 Isaiah 40.1–11 Revelation 14.1–13	Tues	Psalm 97 Isaiah 17 Matthew 9.35–10.15	Psalm 101 Isaiah 40.12–26 Revelation 14.14—end of
Weds	Psalm 112 Isaiah 19 Matthew 10.16–33	Psalm 122 Isaiah 40.27–41.7 Revelation 16.1–11	Thurs	Psalm 125 Isaiah 21.1–12 Matthew 10.34–11.1	Psalm 133 Isaiah 41.8–20 Revelation 16.12—end
Fri	Psalm 139 Isaiah 22.1–14 Matthew 11.2–19	Psalm 146 Isaiah 41.21–42.9 Revelation 17	Sat	Psalm 145 Isaiah 24 Matthew 11.20—end	Psalm 150 Isaiah 42.10–17 Revelation 18

Contact details

Permission to Officiate: **Revd Max Blake** Telephone: 07716 969772 email: m.blake@hobnob.org.uk— **day off is Saturday**

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