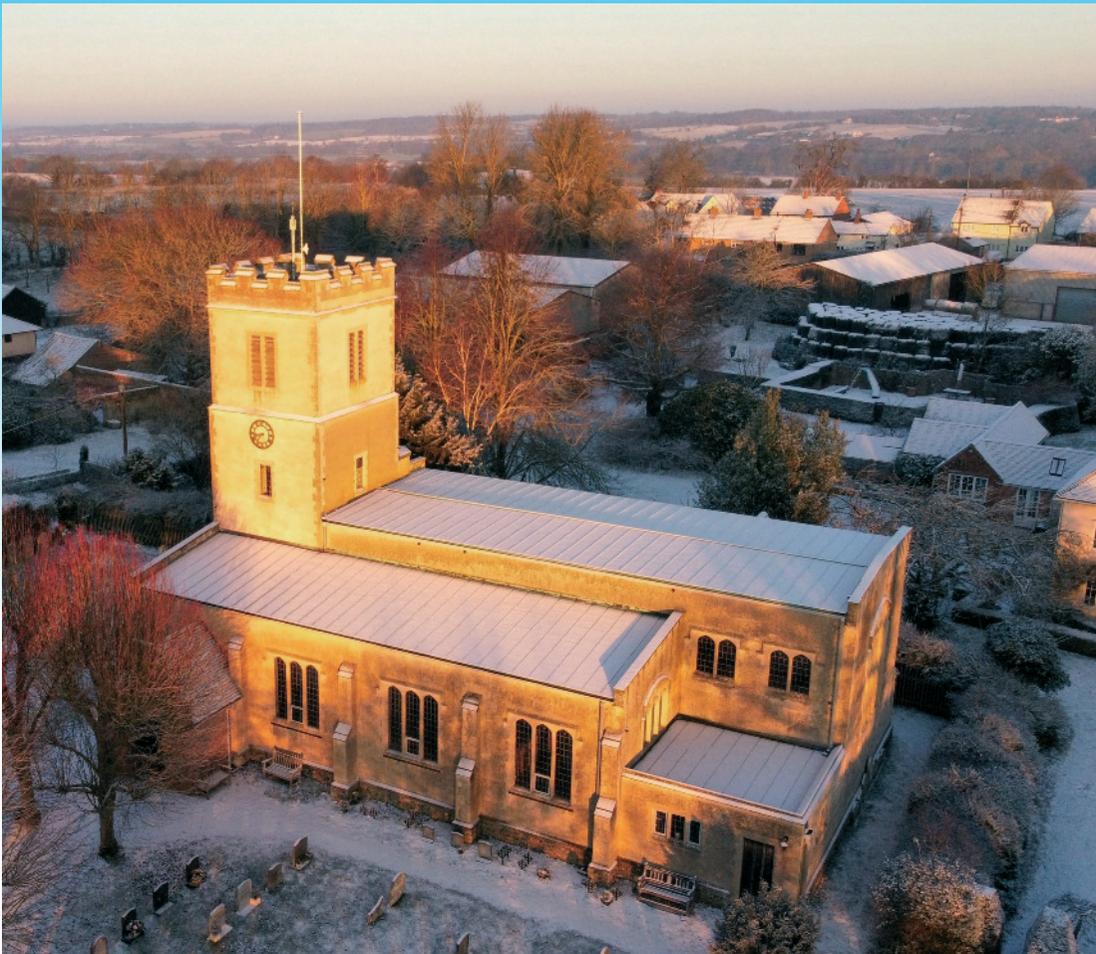


# *St Peter & St Paul*

Little Horkesley



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A beautiful aerial shot of St Peter & St Paul Church, in the sun, after snow.  
Photo by Adrian Szabo

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# The Rectory

with Reverend Heather Wilcox



## God's love letter

As I was thinking about what to write this month, a couple of lines from one song, kept going round and round in my head. It's not a particularly modern song, indeed, I wasn't even born when it was written, but its words you may be familiar with, these words were '*love letters straight from my heart,*' from the song, Love Letters, written in 1945 with lyrics by Edward Heyman and composed by Victor Young.

February is of course, the month in which we may celebrate Valentines Day, with 'Love letters straight from our hearts,' written to our nearest and dearest. Certainly our consumerist culture, will encourage us to spend money on cards and gifts for our loved ones.

As with many celebrations, one size doesn't always fit all ... whilst many will enjoy the romance and the opportunity to express their love at this time of year, what about those who have lost their loved one, or whose relationship has broken down, or who are still searching for 'the one?' How do we hold these tensions, whilst celebrating the love that so many have found?

Valentines' day will closely be followed by Shrove Tuesday, if chocolate and roses aren't your thing, then maybe pancakes, lemon and sugar are, before we potentially put all these things to one side and celebrate Ash Wednesday and enter the season of Lent, with its themes of Fasting, giving and prayer.

Lent, is an intentional season of preparation as we prepare to remember the events of Holy Week, culminating in Jesus death on the cross to save us from our sins, before joyfully celebrating his resurrection, and the assurance that we can enjoy eternal life with God, on Easter day.

The whole bible is a 'love letter, straight from the heart of God,' and we see that most clearly expressed in the Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, which tell the story of Jesus life, death and resurrection, Gospel, literally translating as the GOOD NEWS.

So this Lent, why not spend a little time each day, reading from God's love letter and commit to reading just one gospel in the 6 weeks of Lent, Mark is the shortest gospel and the most action packed, page turner!

This love letter straight from the heart, the bible, is Good news for all of us, no matter what is happening in our lives and for all time.

May God bless you  
Rev Heather



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**As winter becomes spring, prayer - Rev Emma Barr**

Gracious God,

As February opens before us, we thank You for meeting us in this quiet turning of the seasons. The fields are still pale with frost, hedgerows bare, and mornings slow to warm, yet we sense that winter is loosening its grip. Beneath frozen soil, life is stirring. What once seemed silent is preparing to sing.

So it is with Your love, O God. Even when days are cold and hope feels distant, Your grace is already at work. You are the promise beneath the snow, the steady light returning to shortened days. You remind us that no season of hardship is final, and no heart is beyond renewal.

As buds begin to swell on branches and lambs soon will dot our fields, help us to trust what we cannot yet fully see. Teach us patience as we wait, courage as we endure, and joy as we notice the first signs of Your goodness breaking through.

May Your love soften what has grown hard within us. May it awaken compassion where weariness has taken root. And as the earth slowly turns toward spring, turn our hearts again toward You—faithful, restoring, and ever new.

Amen.

## Altar Flowers



<b>Month</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Arranger</b>
February	1	Duncan Turner
	8	Duncan Turner
	15	Duncan Turner
	22	LENT - No flowers
	29	LENT - No flowers
March	1	LENT - No flowers
	8	LENT - No flowers
	15	LENT - No flowers
	22	LENT - No flowers
April	29	LENT - No flowers
	5	Duncan Turner

# MERIEL'S REPORT



## ADVENT AND ST ANDREW'S DAY

The first Sunday in Advent fell on November 30<sup>th</sup>, the fifth Sunday of the month, so it was a United Service at Wormingford.

The church was filled as the preacher was Bishop Guli, the Bishop of Chelmsford. The Kings Ridge Choir (see page 9 for photos) led the singing and sung some special items on their own. Brenda, Emma, Graham and I had joined the choir, especially because the service was at Wormingford, where we have led the singing on so many occasions in the past.

After the service the very friendly Bishop spoke to many of us while we all enjoyed a lovely lunch put on by the members of Wormingford church.

## ADVENT CAROL SERVICE

As the United Service was on Advent Sunday our much-loved Advent Carol Service was on December 6<sup>th</sup>, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent. Unfortunately, four members of the choir were unable to attend on that date owing to sickness and other commitments. This left a choir of three, along with our vicar, Heather and myself, playing and singing as much as I was able. However, we did our best, which turned out to be remarkably good. Roger, who had to perform all the male solos, in the absence of Graham, who had a knee replacement a few days before, deserves a special mention. I had asked Heather to explain, before the service, why we were very short of choir. Much to my surprise and delight I had an email for someone in the congregation the next day which said, 'Just to say you need not have been concerned about the choir on Sunday Evening. What they lacked in quantity they more that made up for in quality. It made the evening a perfect time for reflection and contemplation.' What a lovely thing to say and just what that beautiful service is about. Thank you, Richard.

## FUN AFTERNOON AND CHRISTINGLE

I went to this event as I had offered to play for the Christingle service. There were not too many there but those who came enjoyed it and the tree was looking very beautiful at the end of the afternoon.

**The photos were taken by Sally Bramall who dealt with the tree and the refreshments.** Thank you, Sally.

# Fun Afternoon and Christingle



## SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

The church looked beautiful. The tree had been decorated on the Fun Afternoon and the flower arrangers had worked their magic, along with the beautiful candle stands. As usual, we started with mulled wine and mince pies which always puts people in the right frame of mind for the joyful service - a lovely event with some very good singing. The choir was almost back to its full strength.



## CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS MORNING COMMUNION SERVICES

The churches at Wormingford and Mount Bures each had Crib Services on Christmas Eve and so both Christmas Communion services were held at our church.

Rev Heather took the Christmas Eve service and the Revd Emma officiated at the morning service. Altogether there were nearly 60 communicants.

### *Christmas morning service*





## LENT

Lent starts on February 18th with an Ash Wednesday Holy Communion service at West Bergholt at 8pm.

## LENT SOUP LUNCHES

This year there will again be weekly Soup Lunches on each Tuesday during Lent. They were very popular last year. The dates are as follows:

24th February	Village Hall Little Horkesley
3rd March	Mount Bures
10th March	West Bergholt
17th March	St John's Great Horkesley
24th March	Boxted

At the time of writing this the Charity which will be supported by these lunches has not yet been announced.

## SNOWDROPS AND WINTER WALK AT HORKESLEY HALL

On Saturday February 8<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday February 12<sup>th</sup>, from noon until 4.30 pm, Horkesley Hall gardens will be open to look at the many different species of snowdrops.

The church will be open for refreshments.  
Please see the flyer on back page.

MERIEL



## The King's Ridge Choir





# LITTLE HORKESLEY PARISH COUNCIL



Happy New Year from everyone at the Parish Council.

It was great to see so many of you at the Wreath Making Coffee Morning at the start of December. We hope your creations gave you joy throughout the festive season.

Don't forget that our coffee morning is held in the Village Hall on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month from 11am. It's a great way to connect with people in the village and also gives you the opportunity to speak with Parish Councillors and keep up to date with our work. We would love to see you there.

After the success of the Nayland First Responders' 'Lifesaving' course held last year, and after the positive feedback received from those who attended, the Parish Council are happy to announce that we will be purchasing a public defibrillator for the village. The Parish Council received a grant from the National Lottery as well as contributions from both Cllr Lewis Barber and Cllr Darius Laws, to which we are very grateful. The defibrillator will be sited next to the Bus Shelter and housed in a solar powered cabinet.

Cllr Rogers has been working hard to combat the issue of sewage smells on Water Lane. He has been liaising with local residents and Anglian Water, and various initiatives have been put in place to help reduce the smells. If you have

any concerns, then please do contact the Clerk.

It is great to see that the Book Swap has become a popular addition to the Village. 2026 is the UK's National Year of Reading so please do take advantage of the great selection of books available at the bus shelter. Why not bring one with you to the next coffee morning, and enjoy a coffee and biscuit while you read?

The mobile library van visits the village every 3 weeks at 12:30pm for 30 mins. The next visits will be 5<sup>th</sup> February, 26<sup>th</sup> February, 19<sup>th</sup> March and 9<sup>th</sup> April. If you have a ticket, then you can use it at any library in the country.

As always, if you have anything you would like to discuss with the Parish Council then please either email the Clerk ([clerk@littlehorkesleypc.com](mailto:clerk@littlehorkesleypc.com)) or attend one of our meetings which are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every other month at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. Our next meeting will be Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March.

Joanna Petersen (Clerk)





## **Parochial Church Council meeting on January 13<sup>th</sup> 2026**

The PCC met in the Church on January 13<sup>th</sup>.

David Lewis, as Churchwarden, brought the meeting up to date on a number of relatively minor issues concerning the Churchyard and his actions to get a further quotation for the work agreed in the belfry following the Quinquennial Inspection in 2024. He had no major issues to report and said that the Church was generally in good condition.

Sally Bramall as Treasurer said that she had completed the accounts for 2025 and these would be put up for approval in due course. She was grateful that there had been an increase in donations from regular donors during 2025 and an increase in sundry non-specific donations, but that church income was under pressure due to the loss of some major donors over recent years. The PCC was able to approve charitable grants of £3,900 in total to a number of different charities in line with 2024, which was encouraging.

Rosy Stamp from Wormingford has kindly agreed to take on the Safeguarding monitoring responsibility for the PCC and she circulated a spreadsheet showing training undertaken and further training due by members of the PCC. She confirmed that she would provide a brief report and produce an action plan for future meetings.

The Vicar gave a comprehensive report on activities in the Church over the Christmas period and that attendances had been largely in line with previous years. She thanked Meriel and Sally for helping with the Christingle and tree decorating. She said that the Lent soup lunches had now been scheduled and that Little Horkesley would be hosting a lunch on February 14<sup>th</sup>. She said that the date of her sabbatical was fast approaching and it would start on April 13<sup>th</sup>. The PCC wished her well for a very well-deserved rest from her parish duties and looked forward to hearing about her travels in due course.

Will Pavry, Secretary Little Horkesley PCC

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*Teaching church planting teams in Paris*

Dear friends,

Greetings from Normandy! We are all doing well and looking forward to having our children home to celebrate Christmas together. With the church we are preparing for our Christmas Celebration Guest Service with carols, followed by a festive meal with the friends and neighbours who have been invited.

## Ministry in Caen

### A young teens' group

In October we started a new group for the 11-15 year-olds in the church. They are keen to grow in their faith and are enjoying the group. They meet on Sundays during the service and for regular social/fun activities together where we hope they will bring their non-Christian friends. **Please pray for this new group, for the leaders and that the youth will grow in their love for God and his word.**

### Work among refugees

We now have a number of refugee people coming regularly to church. Jane and I have been visiting them in the centre where they have accommodation, to encourage them, to meet people and share the good news with them. We come across people from various backgrounds including closed countries. Please pray that God will use us to bring hope and to reveal his son Jesus Christ to the people we meet.

It is a joy for us to see what God is doing in the lives of the refugees who have joined our church. We are seeing them grow in their faith, feeling at home in the church and joining one of the church's house groups. Among them is Céline, a young mother who has made the decision to be baptised. **Please pray for her. Pray too for Tantine who was granted asylum two months ago and is now following a course to train as a care worker.**



*Galette des Rois*

### Evangelism event

In France, to celebrate Epiphany in January there is the tradition of 'Galette des Rois' (Kings' cake). It is an occasion for friends and family to fellowship together. As a church we are planning a special service on Sunday 4 January around the theme of 'The King' to explain the real meaning of Epiphany and the importance of knowing Jesus the King of kings. It will be an opportunity for us to invite guests and particularly

those who came to our Christmas Service. **Please pray for both events and may hearts be opened to God's Word.**

## Ministry in Normandy and France

### Church Weekend in Nantes

Thank you for praying for my teaching sessions at the Church Weekend in Nantes last September. It went very well. On the Saturday afternoon we were joined by a church from Rennes whose pastor had to leave in June. It was, and still is, a challenging time for them. We were able to encourage both churches and their leaders and pray with them. **Please pray for this church in Rennes and for God's provision of a new pastor.**



*Teaching on our Church Weekend in Nantes*

### M4 training for church planters

Thank you for praying for the two training weekends that took place last October for church planting teams in Paris and in Marseille. There were four teams in each place and I was teaching at the Paris gathering. We were very encouraged by the teams and their dedication. We were also encouraged to see two denominations come together to plant a church in the city of Orleans and a new church plant starting on the island of Corsica where there are very few evangelical churches (per 10,000 inhabitants, there are 0.07 churches in the north and 0.30 in the south of the island). The next teaching weekend gathering for all the teams will be 13-14 March. **Please pray for these eight new churches in France, their leaders and the team of coaches that will be supporting them for the next two years.**

### Trip to Togo

In February we will be travelling to Togo to visit Sena's mother and sister and the church family there. Please pray for our travels and may our visit be a blessing for the people there.

Thank you for all your prayers and support for the ministry here in France.

We send you our warmest Christmas greetings and wish each of you a Happy New Year!

With much love,  
Sena and Jane

## Pets Of The Month



The very gorgeous Bonnie and Bessie at Christmas.

I saw this photo on the wall at Meriel and John's house and thought it was too cute not to include.

Thank you, Louise for sending it through.



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## Choral evensong is the sound of England. We lose it at our peril

ELIAN OMRANT



If you are ever feeling particularly nosey and decide to go poking around the obscure recesses of your average English church, it is almost certain you will find a dusty old cupboard stuffed to the gunnels with choral music.

I found just such a cupboard in my own church when I became warden. I don't think it had been touched since around 1973. As I went through this material - orders of service, old psalters, copies of Byrd, Tallis, Gibbons, Purcell, Maurice Green, CV Stanford - I was amazed to think that our little hamlet was once capable of fielding a choir and organists that could deal with this complex and beautiful English music every Sunday for matins and evensong.

It is a common story. Throughout the country there are many "Bare ruin'd choirs, where late the sweet birds sang", as Shakespeare had it. Places which, within living memory, resounded with local choristers singing the finest polyphony are now lucky to get an organist once in a while for the congregation to sing hymns.

Even in the great cathedrals, choirs are under threat. Exeter is still reeling from the closure announced

last week of the cathedral choir school (founded before 1179), which could not survive the Labour tax raids. Mercifully, the choir will be taken over by Exeter School, but the choirs of many other cathedrals are under serious financial strain.

In view of this vulnerability, it is good that a campaign has begun, led by the Cathedral Music Trust, to give choral evensong and the English choral tradition world heritage status. As Harry Christophers, the president of the Trust, said, recognition by Unesco and other institutions would help to ensure that "our sacred choral tradition... continues to be celebrated and sustained for centuries to come".

It is strange that we have to struggle to preserve the tradition, particularly as choral evensong is surging in popularity. Research shows that attendance at sung evensongs has gone up, in contrast to normal Sunday services.

Ordinary people, whether practising Christians or not, recognise the deep value of traditional evensong. Above all, it feeds a spiritual longing. In the splendour of our churches and cathedrals, people appreciate the transcendent power of the ancient music, scripture, and rhythms of the Book of Common Prayer, which speak of the divine mystery without resort to sermons or wordy instruction. In the words of the Revd Canon Angela Tilby, people "come for God... relieved that no one is going to get at them".

They might also sense, though, that choral evensong expresses much about English identity. To hear evensong is to hear the very sound of English history: Thomas Cranmer, author of the Book of Common Prayer, sculpting the luxuriant growth of England's pre-Reformation Latin liturgy into the quietly devastating cadences of the prayerbook; William Byrd and Thomas Tallis publicly writing pared-down Protestant-style note-a-syllable music for Elizabeth I, and ornate Latin motets for persecuted Catholics to sing in secret; or Henry Purcell putting dance rhythms into his anthems for the playful Charles II.

There is something about the whole experience which is understated but so rich and intense that it can easily move one to tears: a deeply English phenomenon.

We need evensong more than ever to connect us to who we are at a time of cultural confusion and identity crisis. The Church of England, and our schools, need to do much more to support the choral tradition, and one hopes that this campaign will make them do so. If the music stops, then a sound of England permanently falls silent.



# LITTLE HORKESLEY WEATHER

November - December 2025

By Adrian Szabo

**November** ended up being the wettest month of the year by a big margin but otherwise a typical month with unsettled Atlantic weather, large temperature swings and a notable cold snap in the second half. First half of the month was much warmer than average, with highs of over 17°C on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> and highest ever November minimum temperatures on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> (13.2°C). Storm Claudia arrives in our region on the 10th with mild temperature, SW winds and significant rain especially on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> (over 45mm).

A serious cooling of the weather happens after the 16<sup>th</sup> with the first ground frosts of the autumn (-1.2°C on 20-22th) and further rainfall. This cooling is caused by Arctic maritime air spread southwards by NW winds. Overall November's statistics are close to normal in our region apart from rainfall- mean temperature slightly above average(8.6°C), average sunshine hours and about 140% of multiannual average rain (110mm).

**December** in Little Horkesley was characterized by contrasting weather patterns-the first 3 weeks were mild (double digits temperatures most days) and wet, as low pressure brought frontal systems and unsettled conditions. Storm Bram arrived in our area on the 9<sup>th</sup> with persistent rain.

Last week of the month was dominated by high pressure, freezing temperatures and

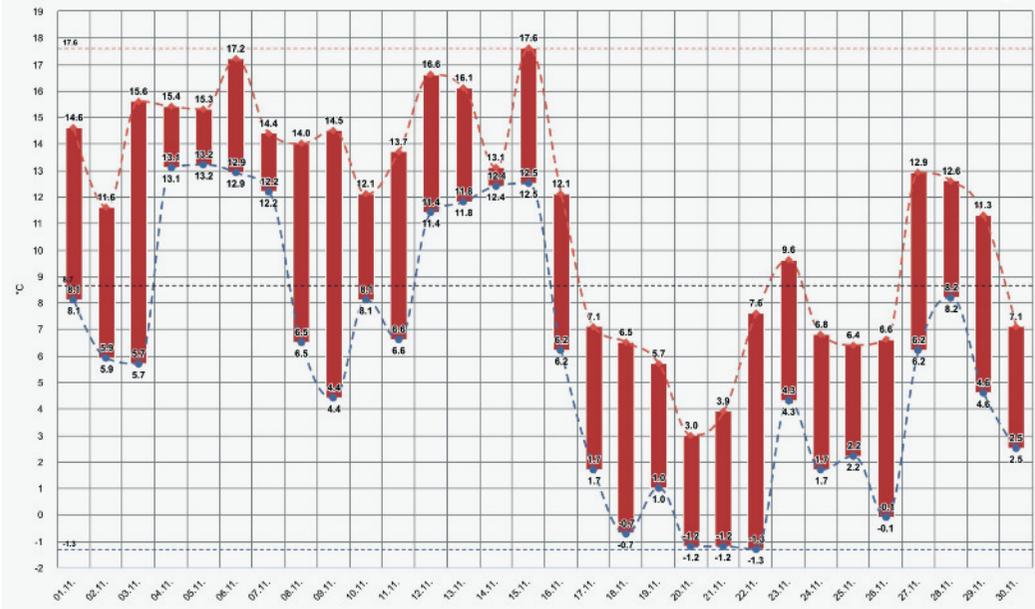
windchill, dry conditions, cold north-easterly winds and sunshine.

Mean temperature for the month of December was provisionally 1.4°C above the multiannual average (7°C vs. 5.6°C), rainfall total was 52mm, below the 67mm average; sunshine values were slightly above the normal for the short days of December.

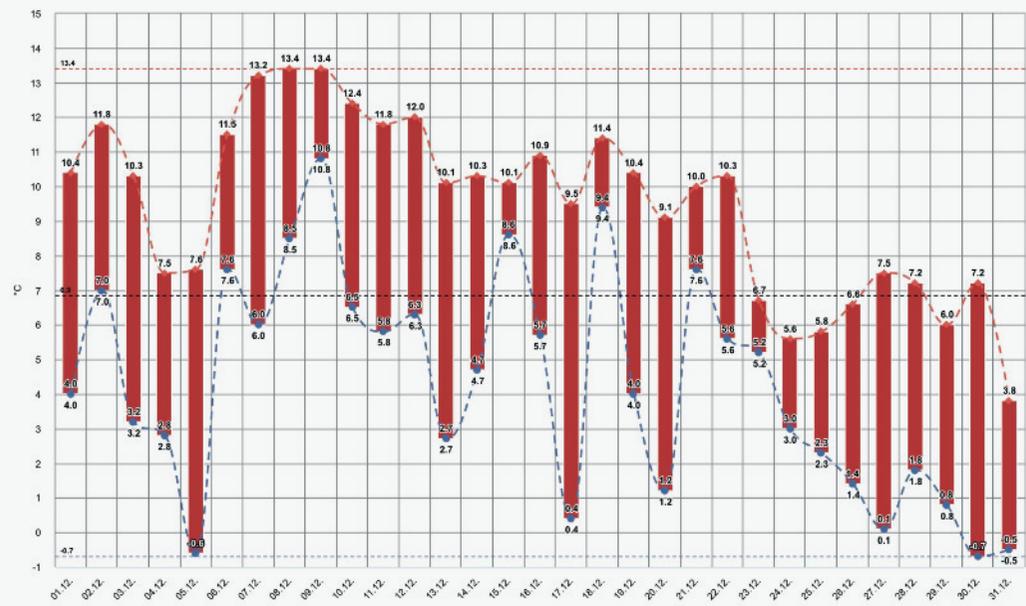
**2025** as a whole was a double record breaker: the UK's warmest and sunniest year on record. A key feature was the prolonged warm, dry, sunny weather across much of the UK during the spring and summer and high sea surface temperatures (a real marine heatwave). We had the warmest spring and summer on record and had five named storms: Eowyn (Jan), Floris (Aug), Amy (Oct), Bram (Dec) and Claudia (Nov). UK mean temperature was 10.1°C (11.6°C in Little Horkesley, identical to 2024), 0.95° above the 1991-2020 long term average and the warmest so far. It means that 2025 joins 2022 and 2023 in the top three warmest years and it's only the second year where the mean annual temperature has exceeded 10°C.

UK's highest temperature of the year was 35.8°C in Faversham (Kent) on 1<sup>st</sup> July (32.8° in our area). Lowest was -18.9°C at Alnaharra, (Sutherland) (.5°C here on 12 January). Also, it was a relatively dry year, with about 75% of the normal rainfall recorded (1041mm for the whole of the UK, 559mm in Lt Horkesley) and drought declared in many parts of the country. 2025 was the UK's sunniest year on

## Maximum/minimum daily temperatures | 1 November 2025



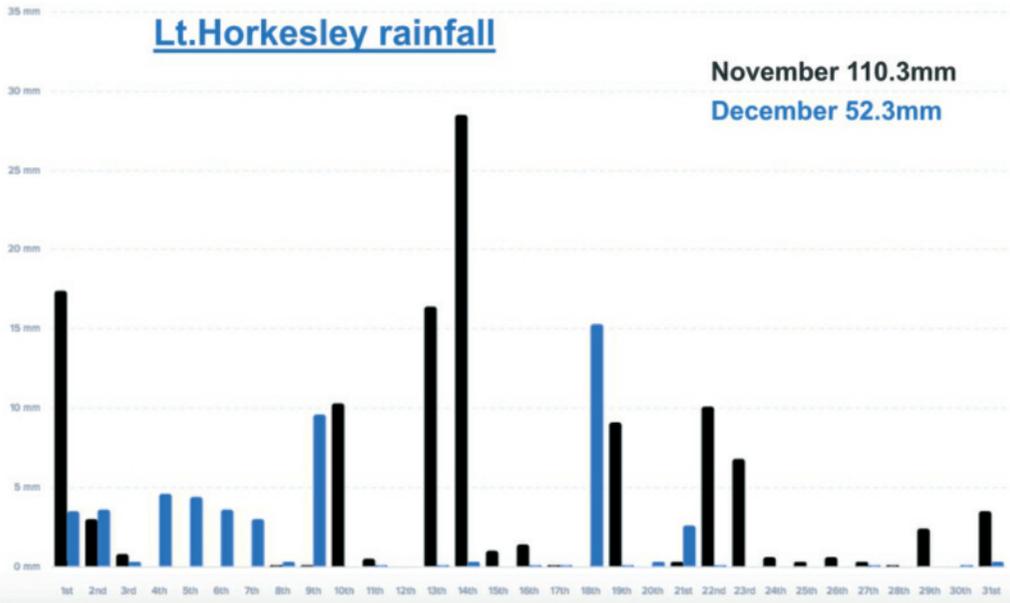
## Maximum/minimum daily temperatures | 1 December 2025



## Lt.Horkesley rainfall

November 110.3mm

December 52.3mm



### DRIFTS of SNOWDROPS

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*Brenda Green - Feb 2011*



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## *Sidesmen & Readers : February 2026*

Sunday	Sidesmen	Readers	Readings
<b>1<sup>st</sup> February</b>			
Morning	Will Pavry Brian Lord	Sally Bramall Julia Orme	1 Kings 17: 8-16 John 2: 1-11
Evening	NO EVENING SERVICE		
<b>8<sup>th</sup> February</b>			
Morning	NO MORNING SERVICE		
Evening	Margaret Thomas Harold Thomas	Emma Taylor Brian Lord	Genesis 1: 1 – 2: 3 Matthew 6: 25-end
	<i>Intercessor: Brenda Green</i>		
<b>15<sup>th</sup> February</b>			
Morning	NO MORNING SERVICE		
Evening	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>		
	Christopher Orme John Sparkes	Christopher Orme John Sparkes	2 Peter 1: 16-end Matthew 17: 1-9
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>			
Morning	NO MORNING SERVICE		
Evening	David Lewis Ann Garnett	David Lewis Ann Garnett	Genesis 2: 15-17; 3: 1-7 Matthew 4: 1-11
	<i>Intercessor: Brian Lord</i>		



### **DEADLINE DATE**

**The deadline to submit articles for the next magazine is  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

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## *Sidesmen & Readers : March 2026*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Sidesmen</b>	<b>Readers</b>	<b>Readings</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> March</b>			
Morning	Vicky Minet David Lewis	Vicky Minet David Lewis	Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17 John 3: 1-17
Evening	NO EVENING SERVICE		
<b>8<sup>th</sup> March</b>			
Morning	NO MORNING SERVICE		
Evening	Margaret Thomas Harold Thomas	Margaret Thomas Harold Thomas	Romans 5: 1-11 John 4: 5-42
	<i>Intercessor: Brenda Green</i>		
<b>15<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>MOTHERING SUNDAY</b>		
Morning	NO MORNING SERVICE		
Evening	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>		
	John Sparkes Christopher Orme	Graham Soar Christopher Orme	Colossians 3: 12-17 Luke 2: 33-35
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> March</b>			
Morning	NO MORNING SERVICE		
Evening	Ann Garnett David Lewis	Ann Garnett Brenda Green	Romans 8: 6-11 John 11: 1-45
	<i>Intercessor: Brian Lord</i>		
<b>29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>		
Morning	NO MORNING SERVICE		
Evening	Margaret Thomas Harold Thomas	John Sparkes Emma Taylor	Isaiah 50: 4-9a Matthew 21: 1-11
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> April</b> <u>2 pm</u>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> <b>LAST HOUR AT THE CROSS</b>		
	Christopher Orme John Sparkes	TBC	TBC
<b>5<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>EASTER DAY</b>		
Morning	NO MORNING SERVICE		
Evening	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>		
	Christopher Orme David Lewis	Brian Lord David Lewis	Acts 10: 34-43 John 20: 1-18

## Church Calendar: February 2026

<b>February 1<sup>st</sup></b> 11.00 am	<b>Candlemas/Epiphany 4</b> Morning Prayer
<b>February 8<sup>th</sup></b> 6.30 pm	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent</b> Evening Prayer
<b>February 15<sup>th</sup></b> 6.30 pm	<b>Sunday next before Lent</b> Holy Communion
<b>February 18<sup>th</sup></b> 7.30 pm	<b>Ash Wednesday</b> Holy Communion at Mount Bures
<b>February 22<sup>nd</sup></b> 6.30 pm	<b>Lent 1</b> Evening Prayer

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## Church Calendar: March 2026

**March 1<sup>st</sup>**  
11.00 am

**Lent 2**  
Morning Prayer

**March 8<sup>th</sup>**  
6.30 pm

**Lent 3**  
Evening Prayer

**March 15<sup>th</sup>**  
6.30 pm

**Lent 4 Mothering Sunday**  
Holy Communion

**March 22<sup>rd</sup>**  
6.30 pm

**Lent 5**  
Evening Prayer

**29<sup>th</sup> March**  
6.30 pm

**Palm Sunday**  
Evening Prayer

### DATES FOR EASTER

**2<sup>nd</sup> April**  
7.30 pm

**Maundy Thursday**  
Agape Meal at Mount Bures

**3<sup>rd</sup> April**  
2.00 pm

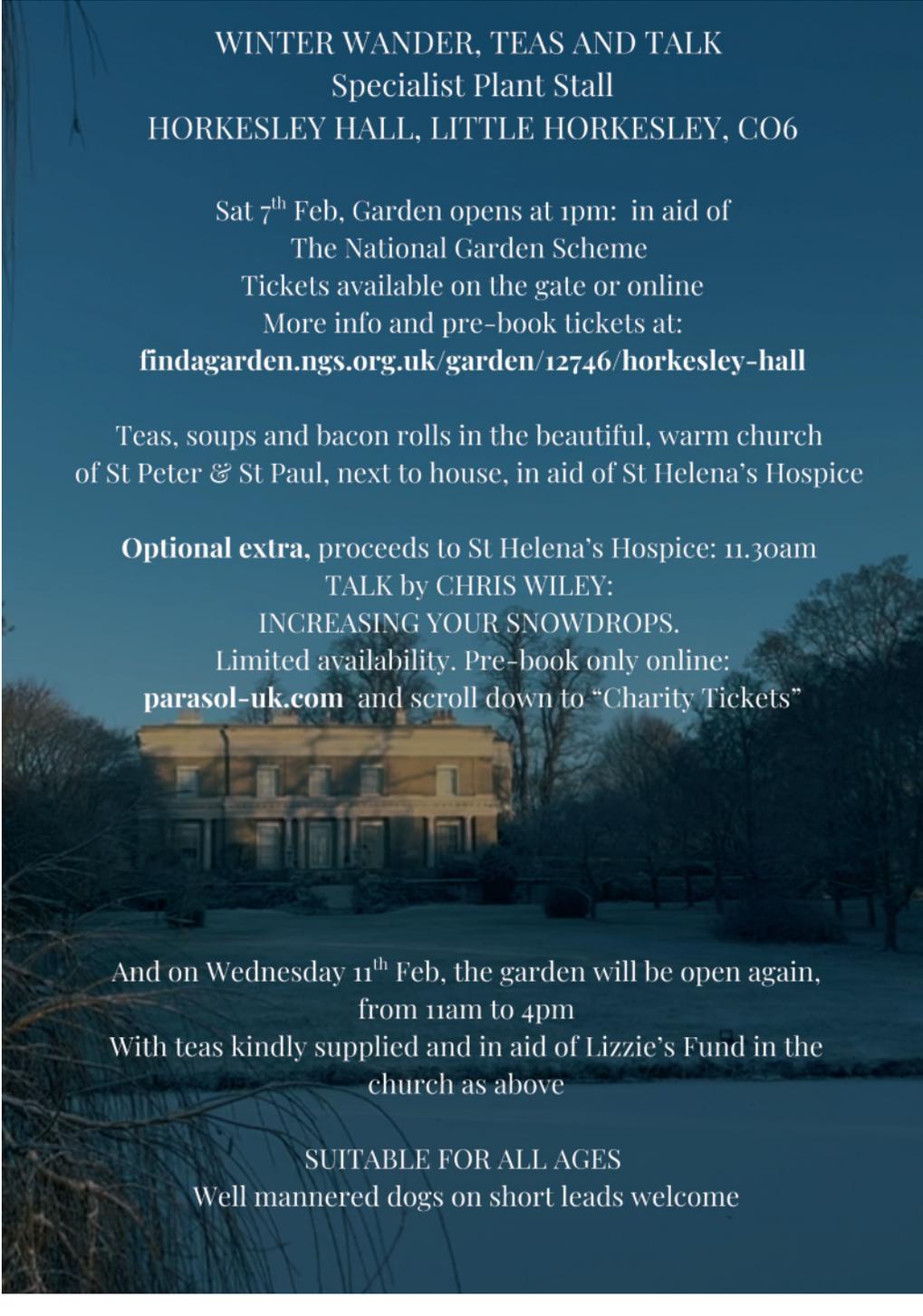
**Good Friday**  
Last Hour at the Cross at Little Horkesley

**4<sup>th</sup> April**  
8.00 pm

**Easter Eve**  
Easter Vigil at Wormingford

**April 5<sup>th</sup>**  
6.30 pm

**Easter Day**  
**Sung Holy Communion**



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