



Welcome to the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan



Weekly notice sheet

Sunday 1st March — 2nd Sunday of Lent

10am All Together Holy Communion at St Peter and St Paul Church, Horndon-on-the-hill

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 - Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion - Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PARISH OF
HORNDON, ORSETT AND BULPHAN

Please come along and enjoy
a ploughman's lunch
at the Orsett Churches Centre

SATURDAY 14TH MARCH 12.30PM
LAST SITTING 2PM

Tickets must be booked in advance by contacting Sandra Billinger: 01375 891040 or talk to a Churchwarden at a service

£10 per adult and £5 per child, this includes a ploughman's lunch, dessert and a drink

All monies raised are for church funds

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Spring book fayre

SATURDAY 21ST MARCH
10AM TO 12 NOON
ST PETER & ST PAUL CHURCH,
HORNDON ON THE HILL

Thank you but NO more donations of books are wanted for this event

Refreshments available while you browse including home-made cakes and our delicious bacon rolls.
Raffle

All proceeds to Parish funds

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Lent Lunch – 22nd February

A big thank you to everyone who joined us for the lunch and bought raffle tickets. Thanks to your generosity, we've raised £261 for the Bishop of Chelmsford's Lent Appeal 2026. You can find more information about the appeal on page two.



We'll also be continuing to sell raffle tickets for the Fairtrade hamper throughout Lent. The winning ticket will be drawn on Easter Sunday—good luck!

Diary Dates

Services

- **Friday 6th March** – World Day of Prayer service 12noon at The Orsett Church Centre
- **Next Sunday's services, 8th March**
 - ◇ 8.45am CW Holy Communion Service at Orsett Church
 - ◇ 10am Family Service at Orsett Church

Advance notice

- Wednesday 4th March, Funeral of Kathleen Gaines, 11am at Horndon Church
- Saturday 14th March, Baptism Preparation meeting, 12noon at Horndon Church
- Tuesday 17th March, Prayer Group, 8pm at the Woolmarket, Horndon-on-the-hill

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Dates for
your
diary.....





The Bishop of Chelmsford's Lent Appeal 2026

Supporting climate resilience and environmental conservation in our linked partner dioceses in Kenya.

Supporting the work of ADSMKE in response to climate change and in environmental conservation

Anglican Development Services of Mt Kenya East is the development arm of the Anglican Church of Kenya, dedicated to serving communities in our five linked partner dioceses - Embu, Kirinyaga, Meru, Mbeere and Marsabit - in Kenya

Communities across Mt Kenya East are facing the harsh realities of the climate crisis. Years of recurring drought have devastated harvests, depleted natural resources and pushed families into increased hardship. In response to these challenges, ADSMKE is leading inspiring, community-driven work to restore the environment and strengthen livelihoods.

Funds raised through the Bishop of Chelmsford's Lent Appeal will enable ADSMKE to expand vital climate and conservation projects that:

- Build community resilience to climate change
- Improve biodiversity and restore damaged ecosystems
- Enhance food security through sustainable agriculture
- Create economic opportunities rooted in environmental stewardship
- Equip future generations to care for God's creation

Projects include:

Tree Planting and Tree Nurturing

- Expanding community-led tree planting programmes to combat climate change, restore ecosystems and increase biodiversity. ADSMKE have set a target to plant 100,000 trees in the region this year.

Investing in Farmer-Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR)

- Educating and empowering communities to regenerate degraded land by managing the natural regrowth of native trees from existing root systems. FMNR enriches soil and increases crop yields.

Investing in Agroforestry Systems

- Integrating trees with crops and livestock to improve food security, strengthen climate resilience and support diverse wildlife habitats.

Farming God's Way

- Promoting faith-based, conservation-focused farming techniques that honour creation whilst increasing yields for smallholder farmers.

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Happy March birthdays

Jonathan A, Frankie-Grace C, Brooklyn C,
Beau C, Stephanie G, Louis H, Brandon H,
Jessica H, Ayla J, Arlo L, Jude L, Freya L,
Rafe M, Josiah M, Sid R and Max T

Max B, Bev M and Diane M



**Gifts to our Parish are a response to God's generosity
to us, and enable us to live out Christ's story
in our local community.**

If you would like to give a gift to the Parish of
Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan, please scan here:



Alternatively, if you would like to give a regular amount to the
Parish you could consider joining the Parish Giving Scheme.

To find out more please go to
www.parishgiving.org.uk/my-pgs/parish/70147/landing-page/

Thank you for all you're able to give.

Eco Pause for Thought

Make sure you know the difference between 'use-by' and 'best-before' dates. This can stop you chucking out a lot of food unnecessarily. Eating anything past its 'use-by' date is risky, but 'best-befores' don't usually have anything to do with safety and are simply the manufacturer's view of when the food's no longer at optimum quality.

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Prayers

Prayer Diary

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• Prayers for the rest of the week can be found here-: www.chelmsford.anglican.org/publications/wepray

Parish prayer diary

Horndon Bill R, Diane M, Jane L, Chris D, Peter B, Jean K, Moira B, Jan C, David St P.

Orsett Jane R, Sid R

Bulphan Ron P, Tony C, 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 Kathleen Gaines, Mervyn Davies, Gerry Toop

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

Horndon-on-the-Hill Church Tuesday and Saturday

Free refreshments are available on 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



Bible Readings for this week

		Principal Service	
Sunday	Genesis 12.1–4a Psalm 121	Romans 4.1–5, 13–17 John 3.1–17	

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
Mon	Psalm 32 Genesis 43.16–end Hebrews 1	Psalm 74 Jeremiah 7.21–end John 6.41–51	Tues	Psalm 50 Genesis 44.1–17 Hebrews 2.1–9	Psalm 52 Jeremiah 8.1–15 John 6.52–59
Weds	Psalm 35 Genesis 44.18–end Hebrews 2.10–end	Psalm 3 Jeremiah 8.18–9.11 John 6.60–end	Thurs	Psalm 34 Genesis 45.1–15 Hebrews 3.1–6	Psalm 71 Jeremiah 9.12–24 John 7.1–13
Fri	Psalm 41 Genesis 45.16–end Hebrews 3.7–end	Psalm 6 Jeremiah 10.1–16 John 7.14–24	Sat	Psalm 25 Genesis 46.1–7, 28–end Hebrews 4.1–13	Psalm 23 Jeremiah 10.17–24 John 7.25–36

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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