



Welcome to the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan

Weekly notice sheet



Sunday 12th July – 6th Sunday after Trinity, Sea Sunday

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 – Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post Communion - God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sea Sunday 2026

Every day, thousands of seafarers work tirelessly to keep our world moving. Around 95% of the goods imported into the UK arrive by sea, yet the men and women who transport these goods often spend many months away from their families and loved ones, working in challenging conditions.

Sea Sunday is an opportunity for churches to remember seafarers, fishers and all those whose livelihoods depend on the sea. It is also a time to give thanks for the vital contribution they make to our daily lives and to pray for their safety and wellbeing.

Many seafarers face loneliness, isolation and uncertainty. Chaplains and volunteers from organisations such as the Mission to Seafarers visit ports around the world, offering practical support, friendship, pastoral care and a listening ear to those who are far from home.

As Christians, we are called to care for those who may be overlooked or forgotten. Sea Sunday reminds us that behind the goods we use every day are real people who deserve our prayers, compassion and support.

This Sea Sunday, please remember seafarers and their families in your prayers. Give thanks for their dedication and pray for all those who work at sea, that they may be kept safe, encouraged in times of difficulty and know God's presence wherever they may be.

"They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters; these see the works of the Lord, and his wonders in the deep." Psalm 107:23-24

Eco Pause for thought

We may think of the garden as a natural place, without problems like plastic, but what about those millions of plastic plant pots which come from garden centres and supermarkets, or the twine and netting which we so freely use, or the plastic sacks of compost?

There are many alternatives, and the RHS has produced a good guide to ways of avoiding plastic in the garden. You can find this at

www.rhs.org.uk/garden-inspiration/get-gardening/how-to-go-plastic-free-in-your-garden

Diary Dates

Services

▪ Next Sunday services, 19th July

- ◇ 10am Holy Communion Service at Bulphan Church
- ◇ 4pm Refresh Service at 4pm at Horndon Church

Advance notice

- Saturday 11th July, Baptism Preparation meeting, 12noon at Horndon Church
- Tuesday 21st July, Prayer Group, 8pm at the Woolmarket, Horndon-on-the-hill
- Interment of George Brown's ashes at Horndon Church on Saturday 1st August at 2pm

Dates for
your
diary.....

Knowing and sharing the love of Jesus in the Church and community

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Prayers

Prayer Diary

- SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Sea Sunday On this Sea Sunday we give thanks for the world-wide network of Maritime Mission Societies. We pray for the merchant seafarers of the world in the risks they take and the dangers they face for others. We ask for God's blessing on the ministry offered to seafarers and their families by Port Chaplains.
- Pray for: 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

Parish prayer diary

Horndon Brooke F-H, Diane B, Bill R, Diane M, Jane L, Chris D, Peter B, Moira B, David St P.

Orsett Jane R, Sid R

Bulphan 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 George Brown, Gerry Toop

Orsett The family and friends of John Mann, Margaret Woodward David Battershall, Stephen Smeeth

Bulphan The family and friends of Ron Porter

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

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

fruit juice, tinned meat (spaghetti bolognese, curry, stew, hot dogs etc), noodles, squash, tinned fruit, long life milk and desserts (custard, rice pudding, jellies, sponge puddings, tinned fruit).

Bible Readings for this week

	Principal Service	
Sunday	Isaiah 55.10-13 Psalm 65	Romans 8.1-11 Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
Mon	Psalm 123 1 Samuel 5 Luke 20.41-21.4	Psalm 127 Esther 4 2 Corinthians 6.1-7.1	Tues	Psalm 132 1 Samuel 6.1-16 Luke 21.5-19	Psalm 135 Esther 5 2 Corinthians 7.2-end
Weds	Psalm 119.153-end 1 Samuel 7 Luke 21.20-28	Psalm 136 Esther 6.1-13 2 Corinthians 8.1-15	Thurs	Psalm 143 1 Samuel 8 Luke 21.29-end	Psalm 138 Esther 6.14-end 2 Corinthians 8.16-9.5
Fri	Psalm 142 1 Samuel 9.1-14 Luke 22.1-13	Psalm 145 Esther 8 2 Corinthians 9.6-end	Sat	Psalm 147 1 Samuel 9.15-10.1 Luke 22.14-23	Psalm 148 Esther 9.20-28 2 Corinthians 10

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