



# Welcome to the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan

## Weekly notice sheet

### Sunday 11th May — 4th Sunday of Easter and Christian Aid Sunday



**8.45am** BCP Holy Communion Service and **10am** Family Service  
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** - Lord, you are faithful to your promises. Through the Spirit you bless us with abounding hope. When power seeks to silence justice, give us the courage to raise our voice. When an end to poverty seems far off, renew our faith in your kingdom come on earth. When our neighbour reaches out, inspire us to respond with overflowing love. In Jesus' name, Amen

**Post Communion** - Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Dear Everyone,

This Sunday, 11th May, marks the beginning of Christian Aid Week, when we think of our brothers and sisters around the world and, particularly, those who are less fortunate than we are. This year there is a focus on climate change and climate justice .

We will be thinking about the hope that we share through Jesus Christ and the hope we're called to show in action throughout our lives. At our 10am service we'll hear about Aurelia, who lives in the Alta Verapaz region of Guatemala. Communities like Aurelia's have 'seen first-hand the impact of the climate crisis and industrial exploitation, with rivers drying up, crops failing and food under threat.' Aurelia doesn't give up though. She told Christian Aid, 'I really give my life to my neighbours,' as she demonstrates her love for them, filled with hope as she works to transform both her own prospects and those of her community.

At our services on Sunday we will be collecting for the work of Christian Aid. There will be envelopes available as well as our contactless machine. We will also be holding the Christian Aid Big Brekkie on Friday 16th May between 9am and 1130am at the Churches Centre in Orsett. All are welcome to come along.

You may like to use this prayer for Christian Aid Week in your personal devotions.

*Lord, hear us as we pray for your creation. We pray for an end to the destruction of the natural world. We hold before you communities who are watching their land become parched and their rivers dry up. We pray for farmers who carefully tend their crops, only to see them wither and die. We grieve for what has already been lost and damaged. Show us how to act now to help those most affected by the climate crisis. Energise us, that we may use our power to make change happen. We watch in hope for the Lord. Amen.*

Please continue to let me know of any prayer or pastoral needs. Take care and God bless,

Sue



The Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan



**You're invited to a Big Brekkie!**  
on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May during the Oasis Cafe, 9-11.30am,  
held at the Orsett Churches Centre

Want to change the world over breakfast?  
Then come and tuck in at our Big Brekkie!  
We'll be serving croissants and Danish pastries.

All monies raised for the breakfast will be given to  
Christian Aid who use this to fight poverty and  
injustice worldwide.



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## Thurrock Foodbank

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

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

**Shortages this week are: long life milk, soups, condiments, tinned potatoes, cereals, tinned meats (curry, stew, spaghetti bolognaise) and desserts, (custard, rice pudding, jelly, sponge puddings etc)**



## *Eco Pause for Thought*

Be wary of "biodegradable" claims

It may reassure you to see "biodegradable" on packaging, but sadly, there's little to back this claim up. Anything claiming to be biodegradable should break down into natural materials, but there's no saying how long this will take. Instead, look for "home compostable" certification, which has stricter criteria about the time it should take something to break down in the conditions typical of a garden compost bin.

## Forest Church on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2025 at Horndon Church

Nine of us enjoyed Forest Church in the glorious sunshine worshipping and doing activities on the theme of Nature.

We made bug hotels out of tin cans to take home and constructed a log pile bug hotel in Horndon churchyard. We also sowed some wild flower seeds for the bees and butterflies.

Adults and children are welcome to join us for outdoor worship and fun at the next Forest Church at Orsett on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at 4pm.



## Diary Dates

### Services

- Tuesday 13th May, 2pm HC service at the Whitecroft
- Next Sunday's services, 18th May
  - ◇ 8.45am CW Holy Communion Service in Orsett Church
  - ◇ 10am Holy Communion Service in Orsett Church
  - ◇ 4pm Refresh Service in Horndon Church

Dates for  
your  
diary.....

### Advance notice

- Friday 9th May, 1pm Funeral of Joyce Coombs at Horndon Church
- Saturday 10th May, 11am Interment of ashes of Malcolm Hall, Bulphan Memorial Garden
- Saturday 10th May, 2pm Interment of ashes of Maria Cooper at Orsett Church
- Saturday 10th May, Baptism Preparation Meeting, 12noon at Horndon Church
- Thursday 15th May, 11.30am Funeral of David Battershall at South Essex Crematorium, Upminster
- Sunday 18th May, Discovery Bible Study Evening, 6-7pm at the Orsett Churches Centre

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## Prayers

### Prayer Diary

- THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Today is Vocations Sunday. We give thanks to God that he calls us all to varieties of forms of service in his Church and in the world and pray for openness to his Holy Spirit, that each of us may discern the call of God upon our lives. "Christ, you call us to be your people in the world. We will follow your call to be our people: our hands will do your work, our feet will walk your way. Christ, you call us. Help us respond to your call."
- Pray for: The Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Episcopal Church in Japan)
- 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* Mary V, Chris D, Peter B, Gerry T, Jean K, Moira B, Jan C, David St P.

*Orsett*

*Bulphan* Debbie B-M, Kelly F, Anita J, Dave B

*Other* Maggie E, everyone in care homes and those who receive communion at home.  
All those who are currently studying for exams

### Prayers for the recently bereaved

*Horndon* The family and friends of Nick Tressider, Robert Brown, Joyce Coombs, Elizabeth Sorrell

*Orsett* The family and friends of David Battershall, Stephen Smeeth

*Bulphan* The family and friends of Colin Hoare

**Please let Revd Sue 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.*

## Hobnob Magazine

- June edition—Please submit articles to Ron by **May 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)

### Bible Readings for this week

### Principal Service

**Sunday**

Acts 9.36-43  
Psalm 23

Revelation 7.9–end  
John 10.22–30

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
<b>Mon</b>	Psalm 103 Deuteronomy 9.1–21 Ephesians 4.1–16	Psalm 114 Exodus 32.1–14 Luke 2.41–end	<b>Tues</b>	Psalm 139 Deuteronomy 9.23–10.5 Ephesians 4.17–end	Psalm 116 Exodus 32.15–34 Luke 3.1–14
<b>Weds</b>	Psalms 16, 147.1–12 1 Samuel 2.27–35 Acts 2.37–end	Psalm 80 1 Samuel 16.1–13a Matthew 7.15–27	<b>Thurs</b>	Psalm 118 Deuteronomy 11.8–end Ephesians 5.15–end	Psalm 85 Exodus 34.1–10, 27–end Luke 4.1–13
<b>Fri</b>	Psalm 33 Deuteronomy 12.1–14 Ephesians 6.1–9	Psalm 36 Exodus 35.20–36.7 Luke 4.14–30	<b>Sat</b>	Psalm 34 Deuteronomy 15.1–18 Ephesians 6.10–end	Psalm 84 Exodus 40.17–end Luke 4.31–37

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