



Welcome to the Parish of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan

Weekly notice sheet



Sunday 25th October – Bible Sunday

8.45am CW Holy Communion Service, **10am** Family Service and
4pm Commemoration of the Departed 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 – Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post Communion - God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

The Bishop of Bradwell and the Archdeacon of Southend are delighted to announce that Revd Michele Marshall has been offered and accepted the role of priest in charge of Horndon, Orsett and Bulphan alongside her existing role at East and West Tilbury and Linford. This of course is subject to the usual checks and preliminaries.

As we seek to reimagine and sustain mission and ministry across the Thurrock deanery, this new role represents a significant step forward. Michele's licensing will be 24th November, and she will move into the Orsett rectory. Please pray for Michele, her family and the parishes as she moves into this new season.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

The final amount raised at the coffee morning on 25th September was £557.01.

Thank you again to Sandra and her team for organising this and to everyone who came along.

Clocks go back

Don't forget the clocks go back an hour at 2am on Sunday.

An extra hour in bed!



Bulphan Church

Work has now commenced on replacing the church floor. Consequently, there will be no access to the church during Open Church. The work is expected to take approximately two to three weeks. The Parish Room will still be open for refreshments on Mondays.

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



Demand continues, and despite some generous donations they are still short of some basic items, These items are: **mashed potato, tinned potatoes, chocolate, long life milk and tinned meat (spag bolognese, curry, stews, hot dogs)**

Diary Dates

Services

Next Sunday services, 1st November

- ◇ **10am** All Together Holy Communion Service at Bulphan Church

Advance notice

- Tuesday 17th November, Prayer Group, 8pm at the Woolmarket, Horndon-on-the-hill

Dates for
your
diary.....



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Bishop's Lent Appeal raises over £12,000

Thank you to everyone who donated to the 2026 Bishop of Chelmsford's Lent Appeal.

Thanks to your generosity, a fantastic £12,989.57 was raised to support the work of the Anglican Development Services of Mt Kenya East (ADSMKE) in responding to climate change and in environmental conservation across our five linked partner dioceses in Kenya: Embu, Kirinyaga, Meru, Mbeere and Marsabit.

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 many families into increasing hardship.

In response, ADSMKE is leading inspiring, community-driven work to restore the environment and strengthen livelihoods. Funds raised through your generous donations to 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

These projects include investment in agroforestry systems, investment in Farmer-Managed Natural Regeneration and the expansion of community led tree-planting programmes to combat climate change, restore ecosystems and increase biodiversity.

The Bishop of Chelmsford, The Rt Revd Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani, said: "Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Lent Appeal. The funds raised will make a real difference to communities across Mt Kenya East who are facing the devastating impacts of climate change. "I am thankful for the generosity of those in our churches and worshipping communities and I'm pleased that through our partnership with ADSMKE, we are able to support a range of projects in the region that restore the environment, strengthen livelihoods, build climate resilience and help care for God's creation."

Pray for the work of ADSMKE as they support communities living with the devastating impacts of the climate crisis – bringing hope, building resilience, and providing practical support while also equipping future generations to care for God's creation.

Tell the **Independent Safeguarding Audit**

The INEQE Safeguarding Group is an independent company of safeguarding professionals.

We have been asked to carry out Audits of the Church of England to make sure dioceses, cathedrals and palaces are doing all they can to create environments where everyone feels safe, valued and respected.

Listening to and learning from dioceses is an important part of the Audit.



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You can help us

If you have any information, concerns or worries about something that happened in or is related to your Church body, you can contact us via this webpage.

ineqe.com/churchofengland/chelmsford



Access the webpage by scanning the QR code

Tell us your views

Your participation is critically important and you can help by taking part in an anonymous and confidential survey.

We encourage you to be open and honest. We will only share information if what you tell us indicates a serious risk of harm.

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Closing date is **1st December 2026**



Don't forget - If you or someone you know is in immediate danger, it is important that you quickly get the right help – call the police on **999**

NSPCC Helpline

☎ Helpline - 080 8800 5000
✉ Email - help@NSPCC.org.uk

Childline

☎ Helpline - 0800 1111
🌐 Web - childline.org.uk

Safe Spaces Support Service

☎ Helpline - 030 0303 1056
✉ Email - safespaces@firstlight.org.uk
🌐 Web - safespacesenglandandwales.org.uk

Prayers

Prayer Diary

- LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY [BIBLE SUNDAY] Lord, help us to grow in faith, hope and love as we spend time with you
- and your Word this coming week. Help us also to support others as they grow in their faith.
- Pray for: The Church of the Province of Central Africa
- Prayers for the rest of the week can be found here-: www.chelmsford.anglican.org/publications/wepray

Parish prayer diary

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

Orsett Stephen J, Jane R, Sid R

Bulphan Diane J, 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 Peter Brainwood, Patricia Mortimer, George Brown

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

Bulphan The family and friends of Claire Wakefield, 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.

Eco Pause for thought

Tips for a greener Christmas

Start with your advent calendar. Support overseas farmers by ensuring that your advent calendar, and any Christmas chocolate, is Fairtrade. You'll be helping those farmers to make a decent living, and encouraging them to farm in a more ecologically sustainable way with every bite.

Bible Readings for this week

	Principal Service	
Sunday	Nehemiah 8.1–4a Psalm 119.9–16	Colossians 3.12–17 Matthew 24.30–35

	Morning prayer	Night prayer		Morning prayer	Night prayer
Mon	Psalms 1, 2, 3 Judith 4 1 Timothy 6.1–10	Psalms 4, 7 Ecclesiasticus 39.1–11 John 17.1–5	Tues	Psalms 5, 6, (8) Judith 5.1–6.4 1 Timothy 6.11–end	Psalms 9, 10* Ecclesiasticus 39.13–end John 17.6–19
Weds	Psalms 116, 117 Wisdom 5.1–16 Luke 6.12–16	Psalm 119.1–16 1 Maccabees 2.42–66 Jude 1–4, 17–end	Thurs	Psalms 14, 15, 16 Judith 7.19–end 2 Timothy 1.15–2.13	Psalm 18* Ecclesiasticus 43.1–12 John 18.1–11
Fri	Psalms 17, 19 Judith 8.9–end 2 Timothy 2.14–end	Psalm 22 Ecclesiasticus 43.13–end John 18.12–27	Sat	Psalms 20, 21, 23 Judith 9 2 Timothy 3	Psalms 1, 5 Ecclesiasticus 44.1–15 Revelation 19.6–10

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