

# Ingrave Churches: St Stephen's, St Nicholas' and All Saints East Horndon (CofE)

Today is Pentecost Sunday, 24th May, 2026

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"The saints did not become saints because they never sinned, but because they never stopped repenting." - St. Charbel



## Collect for Pentecost

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit; grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## Church Activities This Week

Wed, 10am, Holy Communion St N  
Thu, 11am, Holy Communion, St S  
Fri, 12noon, Chance To Chat, St S  
Sunday (after service) St S APCM



## 300th Anniversary of St Nicholas' 2034-36

To join the group looking at preparing the building for the next 300 years, please speak to Paul

## £ Giving to Support us £

Between both churches we need to give 70K per year to cover our costs? To see how the money is used please visit the web site and click on "Parish Share 2026" Please help by using the offering plate, QR code, or become a monthly giver by visiting the web site

## Sheds

We are currently trying to fund 2 new sheds in St Nicholas' Church yard. If you feel able to help please speak to one of the PWs

## Becket Keys Leavers Bibles

We are currently collecting to give Bibles to Becket Keys C of E school leavers at a cost of £10 each. If you can help please pass you contribution to Paul or one of the PWs

## Foodbank


Please continue to support Brentwood Foodbank by bringing non perishable food to any of our services.



Please speak to Paul if you are interested in coming along.

If you want to get this news sheet by email each week, please email Paul at [rectorofingrave@icloud.com](mailto:rectorofingrave@icloud.com)





Bra-vissima  
Bra-vissima Ladies Choir  
Musical Director—Julia Wilson-James

**“A Summer Evening with Bra-vissima”**  
**Sunday 28 June - 7.00pm**  
 St Nicholas Church, Ingrave CM13 3RB

TICKETS: £15 (under 16s £10) from choir members  
 or online via our website: [www.bra-vissima.com](http://www.bra-vissima.com)



Programme includes  
**Bob Chilcott's A Little Jazz Mass**

We are raising funds for the Noonan Syndrome Association




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## Today's Bible Readings

### Acts 2.1-21

#### The Coming of the Holy Spirit

2When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 2And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. 4All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. 7Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' 8And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking

about God's deeds of power.' 12All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' 13But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. 15Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. 16No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 17 "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. 18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. 20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. 21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

### John 20.19-23

#### Jesus Appears to the Disciples

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 20After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' 22When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. 23If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

### Today's Post Communion Prayer

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen