# Welcome to our worship

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

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## Today is Epiphany 2 The Lamb of God

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**Welcome to our service. If you're new here we'd love to welcome you. Please introduce yourself and stay for coffee.**

To find out more about our churches and how we're trying to serve the community, speak to a member of the congregation or visit our web site **ingravechurches.com**

### Brentwood Foodbank:

**January shortages:**
Washing powder, sanitary towels, nappies sizes 5&6, baby wipes, bags of rice, tea bags, coffee (small jars) custard (tins), tuna/ sardines (tins), sugar.
**Please be as generous as you can to help local people in need of help.**

### Have you been baptised?

If you're interested in baptism (adult or child) please speak to Paul.

### Collect for Epiphany 2

**Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

### Special Notice

*Following advice from the Dept of Health at this infectious time of year, we are asked **not** to receive communion wine by intinction (dipping). Please feel free to receive in one kind (bread only) if you prefer.*

### Parish Giving Scheme

**If you're currently supporting us directly through the bank, please consider switching to the Parish Giving Scheme**
*Details available on the web site*

*One of our IJS teachers is running the London Marathon to raise funds for St Francis Hospice. Click here to support.*

## This week

### Tuesday

10:30am, Collective Worship at Ingrave Johnstone
8pm, Alpha via Zoom

### Wednesday

10am Holy Communion at St Nicholas'

### Thursday

11am, Holy Communion at St Stephen's
2:30pm, Communion @ Ingrave Johnstone School
7pm, Joint PCC meeting with Archdeacon Jonathan, Stage Room, St Stephen's

### Friday

10am - 12noon: Foodbank collections at St Stephen's

**If you want to get this news sheet by email each week, please email Paul at rectorofingrave@icloud.com**

# Today's Bible Readings

**1 Corinthians 1.1-9**

1Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

2 To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:
3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, 5for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— 6just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— 7so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. 8He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**John 1.29-42**

29 The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! 30This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." 31I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for

this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' 32And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. 33I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." 34And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

35 The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, 36and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' 37The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. 38When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' 39He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. 40One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). 42He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

**What's the point of life? Is there anything more? Is God real?**
**Can my life have meaning? Is there any evidence for Christianity?**

**Try Alpha: Starting this Tue on Zoom.**

**No need to register. Click below to join**
**https://us05web.zoom.us/j/84184849578**

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