

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

Welcome to our worship.

23rd Nov, 2025

**Today is
Christ the King**

The Collect for Christ the King: Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **AMEN**

*Today is the last Sunday for
Shoeboxes. Thank you to
everyone for your
contributions.*

This Week

Tue

Collective Worship/IJS
School, 10:30am.

Thanksgiving Service for
Sally Edwards, St N,
2:30pm

The Chosen, St S, 7:30pm

Wed

Holy Communion, St
Nicholas', 10am.

School Eucharist, 2:30pm,
IJS. All welcome. Parish
Council, St N Hall, 7:30pm

Thu

Holy Communion, St
Stephen's, 11am.

Fri

10am-12noon Foodbank
Collection/St Stephen's
Chance to Chat/
Community Cafe, 12noon,
St Stephen's

Sat

Christmas Fayre, St
Stephen's, 2pm
Christmas Tree Switch On,
Cricket Green, 4:30pm

**Safeguarding Training
Sessions**

We have one more
safeguarding training
session this year on Mon
1st Dec, 10:30am. If you
are involved in any area of
service in our church
please speak to Paige or
Paul about attending.

**Supporting God's
Church: We need your
help!**

Collection at the back of
the church. To make a
one-off gift or become a
regular giver, please visit
the website or scan QR
code at back of church.

**£ Parish Gift Day £
21st Dec**

Brentwood Foodbank:

Please be as generous as
you can as we head
towards Christmas. **Your
help is needed.**

**Churches Together in
Brentwood**

An open-air Carol Service
will be held at the Chapel
ruins on December 20th
from 11 am to 1 pm.

On December 23rd, 7:30
pm the annual 'Carols at
the Swan Pub' Brentwood
High Street.

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.*

**Carol Concert at St
Nicholas'**

The Bra-vissima choir are
presenting a Christmas
Concert of carols,
seasonal songs and
readings at St Nicholas'
Church on Saturday, Dec
20th (6pm). Followed by
mince pies, mulled wine
and soft drinks. Admission
is free, but you must book
your place by calling Tom
on 07831 809395.



Today's Bible Readings

Colossians 1.11-20

¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

The Supremacy of Christ

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the

firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Luke 23.33-43

³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [[³⁴Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.']] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' ³⁸There was also an

inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?' ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' ⁴²Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' ⁴³He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

