

Welcome to our worship

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

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**Today is the First
Sunday of
Christmas/Holy
Innocents**

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

This Week

Wed
Holy Communion, 10am,
St Nicholas'

Thu
Holy Communion, 11am,
St Stephen's

Fri
Foodbank Collection. St
Stephen's, 10am -12noon

Have you been baptised?

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

Brentwood Foodbank:

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

Help for Xmas.

If you or anyone you
know is struggling
financially at Christmas
we have a fund to help.
Please speak to Paul

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

Mince Pies/Chocolates

Please bring mince pies,
chocolates, biscuits etc for
tonight's carol service.

The Grumpy Owl

Short children's Christmas
video. Click [here](#) to see.

**Coming Soon: King
David Bible Movie for
kids.**

Click [here](#) for review.

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Today's Bible Readings

1 Corinthians 1.26-29

26 Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no one might boast in the presence of God.

Matthew 2.13-18

The Escape to Egypt

13 Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother,

and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.' ¹⁴Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, ¹⁵and remained there until the death of Herod.

and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. ¹⁷Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:



This was to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, 'Out of Egypt I have called my son.'

The Massacre of the Infants

16 When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent

¹⁸ 'A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more.'

