

# Welcome to our Worship

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

Today is the 7th Sunday of Easter, 17th May, 2026

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## Good Morning & Welcome!

### Collect for Easter 7

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Church Activities This Week

Tuesday, 9am, Collective Worship, IJS,  
4pm Governors meeting IJS  
Wed, 10am, Holy Communion St N  
Wed 11am, Service at Heron Court  
Thu, 11am, Holy Communion, St S

### 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 £

Did you know? 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

Type to enter textThe Bra-vissima ladies' choir have delighted us with Christmas concerts over the past two years. Now we welcome them back in different mode - an evening of 'Songs for the Summer' at St Nicholas' church on Sunday, June 28 (6pm).

### 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 help



**Brentwood Foodbank**  
Together with Trussell

**Foodbank Shopping List**  
May 2026

- Spaghetti & Sausage (tinned)
- Corned Beef (tinned)
- Custard (tinned)
- Fruit (tinned)
- Squash (drink)
- Jams
- Washing powders/gels
- Toilet Roll

Find us at 56-60 Doddinghurst Road, Brentwood CM15 9EH  
Doddinghurst Road Church, Tel 01277224528



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Offerings can be brought to any of our services

St Stephen's APCM, 31st May following 11am service.



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## Today's Bible Readings

**1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11**

### Suffering for Being a Christian

**12** Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. **13** But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. **14** If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.

**6** Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. **7** Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

**8** Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. **9** Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

**10** And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself

restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. **11** To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

**John 17.1-11**

### Jesus Prays for His Disciples

**17**After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup>since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup>And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup>I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup>So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

**6** 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have

received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.



### Today's Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.