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Gill Mayling (*co-opted*)

November 2025



**Carols on the Green - 6pm  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

Followed by Tea, Coffee, Mulled Wine  
and Mince Pies

Donations for refreshments appreciated



## HORSEMAN SUNDAY

On Sunday October 12<sup>th</sup> over 25 smartly dressed horses and riders rode onto the Village Green for the annual, traditional Horseman Sunday blessing in memory of the huge part played by horses in the WWI. The service was led by our curate Naomi and was attended by the Bishop of Barking Bishop Lynne Culens and Chris Burke the Archdeacon, along with our MP Andrew Rosindell, Councillors and many villagers.

Following the service a blessing was given to the dogs and all horses and dogs were presented with a rosette.

Thank you all for attending and especially to the church for all their help and the delicious refreshments.



### **Revd David**

### **Anderton**

*It is with great sadness that we write to tell you that our much loved and respected vicar, died suddenly and unexpectedly at the end of September. When David arrived in our midst, nine and a half years ago, he very quickly became involved in village life. He was a true supporter of HABCOS and a keen facilitator in our work to help the community of Havering-atte-Bower. He was always ready to take on board new ideas and develop regular events. David was a very kind and compassionate man and freely gave of his time whenever it was needed, often intuitively. He always knew when you needed a word of encouragement or comfort. We shall miss him hugely. Rest in Peace. Your friends in Havering-atte-Bower*



### **Christmas Services 2025**

#### **In the Parish of St James' Collier Row & St John's Havering-atte-Bower**

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

**@ 6.pm**

**Carols on the Green**

**In association with**

**HABCOS**

**Come and join in with all the favourite carols followed by Mulled Wine & Mince Pies**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>**

**December @ 6.30pm**

**Carols by**

**Candlelight**

**at St John's Church Traditional Carols & Readings followed by Refreshments**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>**

**December**

**@ 5.00pm**

**Christingle**

**at St James' Church lasts about 45 minutes followed by Refreshments**

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

**@ 6.00pm**

**Carols in the**

**Stable**

**at St John's Church Family service with modern and traditional carols**

**@ 11.30pm**

**Traditional**

**Midnight**

**Communion**

**at St John's Church**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

**@10.00am**

**Celebration**

**Service**

**family service at St James' Church**

# HABCOS AGM

Wednesday Nov 19<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm

Education Centre Saint Francis Hospice



## Programme

7.30 – 8.00 AGM to include voting on two changes to the constitution

8.00 – 8.30 **Informal 'podcast' discussion and photos on Memory Lane - Village Life 50 years + ago**

**Led by those who were there**

## Exhibition of Photos

8.30 onwards Refreshments – cheese, biscuits, wine, tea, coffee etc.



Vera, Ivy and George Mason outside the Village Shop



### VILLAGE POND REGENERATION

The regeneration of the village pond is finally finished! We would like to thank Veolia for the grant which enabled Havering Parks to undertake and complete the renovation. There is a notice board to the right of the bus stop giving information about the history of the pond and surrounding area. Take a look when you pass. It has some interesting facts. Many thanks to all involved. Next project – A plinth on the Green to acknowledge the award for protected status.

### Havering Village Green Pond



Saint Francis Hospice

# Christmas Grotto and Market

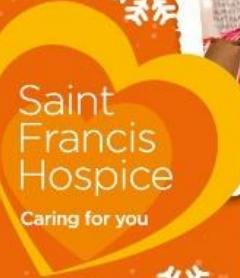
Santa's Grotto and experience, shopping event, festive food and more!

29-30 NOVEMBER • 10AM – 4PM

Saint Francis Hospice Education Centre, The Hall,  
Broxhill Road, Havering-atte-Bower RM4 1QH



Scan to book and for more information  
or visit [sfh.org.uk/Christmas-market](http://sfh.org.uk/Christmas-market)



A Word Search by Phil Date  
Greetings from sunny Yorkshire!

This edition's search is for things to do with Christmas - Good luck!

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Yule log (one word)

Santa

Feast

Saint

Stephen

Rudolph

Turkey

Decoration

Presents

Carols

Kings speech (two words)

Great Escape (one word)

Wenceslas

Tree

Sweets

Pudding

**HAPPY CHRISTMAS & BEST WISHES FOR 2026  
TO EVERYONE FROM HABCOS**

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