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## Rector's Article.

**D**ear All  
Long time ago, there were two men (cupbearer and a baker) who used to serve the king of Egypt. It happened that they offended the king and were thrown into prison. One night, they each had a dream and were worried because they could not figure out the meanings.

Amongst them, there was a young man called Joseph (whom God had given the gift of interpretation of dreams). He was there because of circumstances beyond his control but God was with him. Joseph asked to hear the dreams. He gave them the meanings; the cupbearer's dream of the vine meant that Pharaoh - the king would lift him back to his position of favour in three days. The baker's dream meant that he was not going to be retained to his position. What he said to them came true. Joseph said to the cupbearer " "But remember me when it is well with you..." Genesis 40:14.

We see that Joseph did not wait for his situation to change for him to serve God. Despite the circumstances, he continued to serve others. This is encouraging. 2 Timothy 4:2 "...Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season..."

When the cupbearer was released, he

went back to his position but forgot Joseph's plea. In the Gospels, Jesus also told his disciples at the last supper to remember him.

When the cupbearer was released, he forgot about Joseph. People may forget but God does not. Wait patiently for Him. It happened that after two years, Pharaoh had a dream which all the magicians in Egypt could not interpret. It was then that the cupbearer remembered Joseph. Immediately, Joseph was called before Pharaoh and God gave him the ability to interpret Pharaoh's dream. From then on Joseph was trusted with tremendous responsibility by the king.

When we remember other people's help and commitment, we get strength to face the future with confidence. As a country we mark Remembrance Sunday, a memorial day to honour the sacrifice and the role of British, Commonwealth military and civilian people in the two World Wars. We also remember the current world conflicts and pray for peace. Our Group Remembrance Sunday is at Essendon at 10:45 am on 10th November 2024. You are all welcome

Revd Theresa Musiwacho

### Prayer Share

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

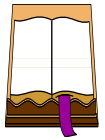


# PARISH REGISTER

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30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 Angela Marion EYRE 21<sup>st</sup> December 2023 Bayford



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## NOVEMBER CALENDAR

### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Essendon  
9:30 am, Harvest Service, Ponsbourne  
11:00 am, Parish Communion, Brickendon

### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November, Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Bayford  
10:45 am Group Remembrance Service, Essendon.

### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November, Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

9:30 am Family Service, Essendon  
9:30 am Parish Communion, Ponsbourne  
11:00 am Family Service, Brickendon.

### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November, Last Sunday after Pentecost.**

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Little Berkhamsted  
11:00 am Family Service, Bayford  
6:30 pm **No Evensong, Essendon**

### **Wednesdays**

9:30 am, Holy Communion, Essendon  
10:00 am, Wednesday. 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>

## CHRISTMAS CALENDAR

### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December Fourth Sunday of Advent.**

9:30am Parish Communion, Bayford.  
3:00pm Nine Lessons and Carols, Little Berkhamsted  
6:30pm Nine Lessons and Carols, Essendon  
6:30pm Nine Lessons and Carols, Ponsbourne

### **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Eve**

4:30pm Crib and Christingle Service, Bayford  
11:15pm Midnight Parish Communion, Essendon  
11:15pm Midnight Parish Communion, Ponsbourne

### **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December, Christmas Day**

9:30am Parish Communion, Little Berkhamsted  
11:00 am Family Service, Brickendon  
11:00 am Family Service, Essendon  
11:00 am Family Service, Ponsbourne

## The Phoenix is Rising ..... Just

Just as we were about to give the last rites to the parish magazine, our appeal within our readership for parishioners to step up to fill a number of vacancies within the team has been heard – in part.

Following a direct approach from a member of the Magazine Team, we are pleased to announce that Cas Blackman, an Essendon resident, has agreed to take over the role of Editor from Mike Wainwright. Cas and Mike have worked together in putting together this November edition of the magazine and propose to complete a smooth transition of roles when compiling the Christmas copy.

Now that there is potentially something to proofread in the future, Jane Oram had previously offered to assume this key role from Sue Wainwright. Jane has much literary experience and we are confident that together with Cas, they will form a skilled production team.

For my part, I have pushed back on my earlier stated position and agreed to continue to function as the point of contact for receipt of the monthly offering from the printers and subsequent distribution to the distributors in each of the parishes.

As at this point in time (14th Oct), the parish sub-distributor network appears to be holding up well, being 'the face' of the magazine for all of loyal

subscribers and without whom our monthly offering would not be reaching its final destination.

However, there are still two crucial positions to be filled in a truly brief period of time for the magazine to have a future beyond the end of this calendar year. My role as Hon Treasurer is still up from grabs, with a number of direct approaches and postings on social media failing to produce positive outcomes to date. The duties are not onerous and other than at the start of the year when local businesses are invoiced for advertising in the magazine, are not time consuming.

We are also needing for somebody to take over from Shirley Christison as Distributor for Essendon, working with her network of sub-distributors as well as being the point of contact for her c50 subscribers within the village.

Having made so much progress over the past month, it would be a crying shame if we were to fall at either or both of these last two hurdles. If you would be interested in discussing further, please contact myself in the first instance on either 01707 642622 or through peterchivers53@gmail.com The phoenix is not yet clear of the flames, but is now flying in the right direction, just!

Peter Chivers.

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## **Weddings, Baptisms and other matters.**

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No appointment necessary

## **Bridleway 18 - Modification Order Update. Little Berkhamsted.**

The Planning Inspectorate's public local inquiry is set to start on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at Priory Hall, Ware Priory,** High Street, Ware SG12 9AL at 10 am

Visit <http://www.gov.com> and enter ROW/3311608 the information is under the Hertfordshire tab with relevant dates for any submissions.

For more information please contact the Parish Council via [clerk@littleberkhamsted.org.uk](mailto:clerk@littleberkhamsted.org.uk)



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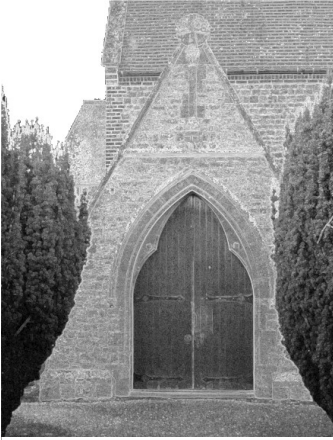
## Road Traffic Accidents in and around Essendon

Following yet another serious accident on the outskirts of the village on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October, involving two cars and necessitating the attendance of two fire engines, five ambulances, three police cars and two paramedics, the Parish Council is keen to involve our local politicians and the Highways Authority in a discussion to consider what action may be taken to reduce the speed limits and hazards on the B158. To start the discussion it is considered relevant to try to compile a database/log of all accidents and near misses on the B 158 between the Junction with Wildhill Road by the entrance to Camfield Place to the South and the Junction to Holwell Lane to the North. It is clear from various discussions that many more accidents occur than many of us realise but if the police aren't called and the vehicle is simply towed away, it is not logged on any official record. In the first instance it will be a historic record over the last few months and going forward it will hopefully be an up to date record of all accidents in the village and the outskirts and it will be this information that will help provide a base for discussions on what may be done to reduce or alleviate the problem.

I have agreed to help the Parish Council by compiling this database and therefore need details of any accidents or near misses that anyone has seen or experienced on the road in the area set out above and anything that is witnessed going forward. This is important to help make the roads safer for local residents. Please send any information, details or even photos to

**[jane@bedwellend.com](mailto:jane@bedwellend.com)**

Thank you for your help.



# Bayford

## St. Mary's Church

Bayford Church is open **Sunday, Wednesday** and **Saturday**.

**CHURCH CLEANING**

**FLOWERS**

### **BAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

To read the minutes and agendas just Google '*Bayford Parish Council*' and follow the link to '*Minutes*'.

#### **The Old Playground.**

Gavin Nelson continues to update us on the progress as Bonnel Homes. The new house is now well underway

#### **Meetings.**

**25<sup>th</sup> November 8pm**

Please check the web site.

Michael Wainwright (Dr),  
Chairman.

**pc@begesford.co.uk**

01707 875970.

[www.begesford.co.uk](http://www.begesford.co.uk)

### **New PC email Addresses.**

Below are the new email addresses for Bayford Parish Councillors. I have set these up so that Parish Council business and information are kept separate from personal emails. In recent months politicians and others have come under fire for using personal emails and What's App counts etc for Council business.

Whilst we do not handle the level of information that, for example, Hilary Clinton did, we nevertheless would be liable if information gained in the course of carrying out PC business was passed on or used for other purposes.

There is also a new web site under construction:

[bayfordparishcouncil.org.uk/](http://bayfordparishcouncil.org.uk/)

**boborme@bayfordparishcouncil.org.uk**  
**chrisorme@bayfordparishcouncil.org.uk**  
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**mikewainwright@bayfordparishcouncil.org.uk**  
**georgerowley@bayfordparishcouncil.org.uk**





### Friends of the Baker Arms

After the period of purdah following the announcement of the election and giving the dust to settle on the new administration, we have again started the process of acquiring the Bayford Arms.

Please follow, like and share on social media for all the latest campaign news.

[www.friendsofbakerarms.org](http://www.friendsofbakerarms.org)  
[hello@friendsofbakerarms.org](mailto:hello@friendsofbakerarms.org)

**Friends of Baker Arms**

## **Halloween QUIZ NIGHT**

**Saturday**

**1st November 7.30pm.**

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**Gill 01992 511144 or**  
**Sally 07817 298105**

### **From Desne Nicholls**

I rehome some hedgehogs ready for release back into a safe habitat from Shepreth Hedgehog Hospital. They have asked if I could pass on this link <https://bighedgehogmap.org> which monitors where hedgehogs are sighted. Currently no hedgehogs from Bayford have been put on this website (I believe it is a fairly new one and probably most people are unaware of it) and obviously it would help the cause if there is a clearer picture of the Bayford hedgehog population.

Place Farm, Bayford Green  
01992 511765

### **Bayford CofE Primary School & Nursery**

Due to a recent change to their constitution Bayford CofE Primary School & Nursery have a vacancy on their Board of Governors. We would like to appoint a local person with a real interest in young people and their education. There would be between 6 and 12 early evening (5pm) meetings to attend per year. If you are interested in school governance and think you could support this thriving village school please contact the Chair of Governors (01992 511551) for a chat.

### **Erratum.**

Last month I noted here the sad passing of Jim Monaghan and stated that he and Collette were the last 'University residents' in BGW.

I must apologise to Claire Smith, who still lives in BGW and is very much still alive! MW

## Knitting

We have made 30 trauma teddies for the Hertford fire service to give to children caught up in traumatic incidents. We are now working on our next project which is jumpers for babies in Kenya, South Africa and Uganda where the nights can be cold.

We meet on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at the Farmers Boy in Brickendon from 8pm.

For more information please contact Janet Rees on 07795 963531 or Caroline Fletcher on 07919 317212."





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**The Dutch Marketplace**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 10am – 2pm

**Doggy Dash**

Run 3 miles with your dog any day in November to commemorate the important work of therapy dogs.

Event Date: 1 November 2024 12:00 am - 30 November 2024 11:59 pm

Location: Anywhere!

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# St. Andrew's Night Service and Supper

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

Service  
7 pm followed by  
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**Rosemary Caruana.** Forty years where does the time go? In 1981 I began my ministerial training supported by Reverend Duncan Dormor and Marion Harding and 6 handpicked parishioners from St Andrews Hertford. Eventually I was accepted for the training for a deaconess and on 30<sup>th</sup> September 1984 I became a deaconess in the Church of England, and spent 3 wonderful years serving at St Andrews Hertford.

Having been made Deacon in 1987, I was then made curate at St Mary's Hertingfordbury, where I served for a total of 18 years, being priested in 1994 and becoming Priest in Charge following the retirement of Canon Jim Birtwistle in 1997.

In 2005 I retired on health grounds and having assisted Reverend Pauline Higham in the Benefice I then filled in where I could on her departure.

The Benefice has become my spiritual home, with my friend Janet and I being made welcome in each of the churches.

The celebration on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024 was a wonderful moving experience. The Choir WOW! were wonderful singing five of my favourite hymns and supporting the intercessor. I understand the cakes made by Elaine (my daughter -in-law) and parishioner Joyce flew from the plates.

Its a service I will never forget. The orchid is looking splendid and the card in place of honour.

Thank you so much for making me and the day so special. God Bless you all.  
With much love Reverend Rosemary xx



# Brickendon

## Chapel of the Holy Cross & St. Alban

For enquiries concerning the Chapel, please contact **Virginia Haryott 01992 511575** or email **wellpondharyott@gmail.com**

Many people will have noticed that the front hedge, fence and noticeboard at the church were destroyed late at night by an out of control driver. We have now had the noticeboard restored and have replaced the shattered fence with a new oak fence. Thanks go to Simon Hedley of Little Berkhamsted who has done an excellent job.

**November Services.** Please see page 4 for a full list of services.

Sunday 3rd November	11.00am Parish Communion
Sunday 17th November	11.00am Family Service
Sunday 1st December	11.00am Parish Communion

### Flowers

### November

### Cleaning

1 <sup>st</sup> November	Brenda Lambie		Janie Corbisiero
8 <sup>th</sup> November	“ “		“ “
15 <sup>th</sup> November	Virginia Haryott		Julie Pickering
23 <sup>rd</sup> November	“ “		“ “

**Please consider volunteering for either Church cleaning or flower arranging as it would help lighten the load for all the existing hard workers!**

Contact Virginia on 07770944854 or email [virginia.haryott@gmail.com](mailto:virginia.haryott@gmail.com)

The 11<sup>th</sup> November is Remembrance Day. Please take time to stop outside the church where there will be a display of beautiful poppies to commemorate this special occasion.

## Tennis Courts.

The fee for hire is still £5 per court per hour. The courts are in excellent condition and we like to see them being used, there is also a pavilion for changing in.

To book a court please telephone 07734 715002 or email [tony.roberts@brickendon-liberty.org.uk](mailto:tony.roberts@brickendon-liberty.org.uk)

**Pilates** - Every Tuesday morning in Fanshaws Room (the village hall) at 9.15am, to register contact **Harriet Barton, 07944 500504** or [pilateswithharriet@hotmail.com](mailto:pilateswithharriet@hotmail.com)

**Book Club** - meets every first Tuesday of the month at 8pm, contact **Andrea Trendler for venue - 01992 511588**

## Parish Council Meetings

Meetings are normally held in the Fanshaws Room at 7.30pm and all parishioners are welcome to attend and to raise any issues of concern. Agendas are posted on noticeboards at least 3 days before the meeting.

### Parish Council meetings in 2024 28<sup>th</sup> November

Parish Clerk: Laura Brooks-Payne  
Brickendon Liberty Parish Council  
PO BOX 81, Knebworth, SG3 6YZ

Email [clerk@brickendon-liberty.org.uk](mailto:clerk@brickendon-liberty.org.uk)  
Mobile 07803 906291

**Minutes:** Brickendon website  
[www.brickendon-liberty.org.uk](http://www.brickendon-liberty.org.uk) for .

## Brickendon Petanque Boules Club

We play at The Farmers Boy  
Sunday 10am - 12noon  
Tuesday 5.30pm - 7pm  
Thursday 10am - 12noon

We have a full and active summer programme and new players are always welcome, boules can be borrowed from the club hut.

For further information contact our Club Secretary **Janet 01992 51151**



### Knit N Natter at The Farmers Boy

**Brickendon Knit N Natter meet every Tuesday in The Farmers Boy from 10am until 12 noon.**

**We are a very friendly and welcoming group. Some people knit, some crochet, some sew, some natter and some knit natter.**

**If you want to learn how to knit or crochet we can help you just come along on a Tuesday morning and join us.**

**Some of the group have been making the postbox toppers keep a look out for the next one.**

**For more information contact Janet 01992 511515.**

## Sponsored Bike 'n' Hike - Essendon

The sun was shining, the birds were singing, the batteries were charged up, the day was bright and cold yet, undeterred, two brave bikers rode off to chalk up some miles and some towers for St Mary's. Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> September was the day for the sponsored Bike 'n' Hike – a fund-raising event organised annually by the independent Beds and Herts Historic Churches charity, which gives grants to local communities which need help to repair their church or chapel. They provide a welcome and various homemade delicacies and refreshments.

In this perfect sunny weather Paula and Colin cycled to Hertford where we visited seven churches in the town. As we both have electric bikes hills are no longer viewed with trepidation so we ascended Port Hill to Bengoe church, then on via Wadesmill to High Cross where a coffee morning was in progress.

From there, we made our way through Sacombe to Little Munden, then west to where we chose a site for our picnic lunch on top of a hill with a tremendous view across farmland and rolling countryside. Our afternoon ride took us via Watton-at-Stone, Stapleford, Waterford and Bramfield to Hertingfordbury (more appetising cakes). After cycling 37 miles a restorative cup of tea awaited us at Letty Green.

Many thanks to all who so generously continue to sponsor us. Half of what we raise will come to Essendon church and yet again, we collected over £1000 together and earned another silver certificate to mount in St Mary's room. A genuine team effort, thank you.



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as our present Treasurer is retiring in June. It would be possible to have one Treasurer for each church.

The PCC meets three times a year and has an annual meeting when the accounts for the previous year are presented.

The role is voluntary and includes paying bills, managing bank accounts, and producing the annual accounts which are examined by an independent accountant.

The Treasurer does not have to be experienced as a handover will be provided. The weekly collections and fundraising money are paid into the bank by the churchwarden.

For more information or to arrange a chat with the current Treasurer about the role, please contact:

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FLOWER ARRANGING.



Services. See page 4.

## All Sorts Dementia Group.

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## Bible Study

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## Essendon Toddlers

The new Baby and Toddler group meets in Essendon on Friday mornings, 10-11.30 in St Mary's Church room (just to the side of the St. Mary's Church).

If you have or look after a baby or toddler and want to meet up, why not come along and join us?

All are welcome.

There is no charge although in the future we may ask for a contribution for tea and coffee! Any questions please message  
[mandynevel@gmail.com](mailto:mandynevel@gmail.com)

## ESSENDON W.I.

Essendon WI is looking forward to welcoming Zoe Jasko to their meeting on Wednesday 20th November commencing at 8.00 pm in the Village Hall.



Zoe, who lives in Welwyn Garden City, will be talking about her novel “Hope is Daffodil Bright” which is set in World War II and features the Women’s Voluntary Service in Cambridge and Grantchester. Zoe’s grandfather was vicar of Grantchester and her grandmother founded and ran a canteen for the soldiers and their big guns, who were camped in the village protecting Cambridge airport.

Please call Lyn McCash **07971 909540** if you would like to become a member of Essendon WI or attend future speaker evenings as a guest.

### Essendon Nature Notes

Recently one evening, walking the quiet lanes of Howe Green rich with the aroma of damp leaves, a fox hurried across the field next to me. He stopped. I stopped. We looked at each other and neither of us moved for what seemed like an age, our gazes locked as we both sought to comprehend the other’s world. I don’t know if the fox was perturbed but it certainly didn’t seem so. It had a self-assured demeanour, completely at one with its environment and clearly considered me to be the intruder. I was the one who blinked first and moved on.

We regularly have foxes under the potting shed but we never see them. We know they are there from the odour which is unmistakable, the ‘hot stink’ as Ted Hughes called it. It is like the first time you sniff a truffle, the fragrance so connected to the earth, of the earth. No one could call the fox’s perfume attractive but there is something about its raw, intimate wildness which makes you feel alive and sense another dimension in which you play no part.

We know that smell is the sensation which has a remarkable way of connecting us with events and memories from our past, more so than sight or touch or hearing. As our climate warms but becomes wetter one of the benefits may be ‘petrichor’, that earthy, musky scent when heavy rain first falls on the parched soil after a long period of heat and sun. It is exquisite and sensual but I find it a rare phenomenon, this year just once, brief and fleeting, teasing us, and now I must wait until the year turns and summer comes before any chance of experiencing it again. Follow your nose.

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permeable but there is

## **Gardening in November**

After the rather mixed weather we have had over recent months we have now reached the time to try and prepare our gardens for the winter months ahead and there are many practical ways we can do this and jobs that will help.

Take a quick look round and making a brief list of where to start and what must come first. Be practical over this whether it is a large or small area or even just your lovely pots.

Start by clearing away damaged and overgrown branches so you can really see what is underneath and dispose of them so that you have a clear picture and there is no question that leaves seem to be staying on trees later than they once did!

Divide hardy perennials and 'tidy' them up, risk re-planting good strong specimens but make sure that you also have other replacements with some sort of protection. With your Roses - cut back overgrown branches that may cause 'wind rock' but do this carefully.

Put 'chicken wire' over newly planted bulbs to deter squirrels and mice attacking them and put cloches over them for weather protection where necessary.

If you have any sort of water features thoroughly clear out fallen leaves etc.

Take hardwood cuttings of blackcurrants and gooseberries and these make lovely gifts to other gardening friends!

Saving Dahlias – last winter I made the mistake of leaving mine in place and lost several and this year I will take them up, let them dry out and then give them careful winter protection. Their replacements have flowered rather late this year but have been a picture and do make a brief note of their different heights for re-planting in the Spring!

We must remember our birds, how much pleasure they bring to us and work out an individual sensible feeding plan that we can manage safely particularly in hard weather – for those more 'housebound' they are great joy but don't fall!

Germander Speedwell.

### **Keith Venables**

Essendon Parish Council would like to thank Keith Venables for his tireless work as a Parish Councillor for the last 50 years . It is with regret that Keith has this week tendered his resignation due to ongoing health issues .

Keith has been an integral member of the Parish Council for the last 50 years , seen many changes within our village some for the good and some not so good . Tirelessly working on parishioners behalf . He has expressed to us how sad he is to leave but realizes the time is right as he is unable to carry out his duties on the parish council . He has expressed to us that he has loved every minute of his time as a Councillor and considers it an honour to of been a Parish Councillor for the village he was born in and loves .

## Essendon PC

The **November Parish Council** meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm** in the Village Hall. The meeting's Agenda will be available at least three working days beforehand on the parish council website **www.essendonparishcouncil.gov.uk** and on noticeboards in the village. Meeting Minutes are published shortly after each meeting on the website. Members of the public are warmly

invited to attend and will have an opportunity to raise any comments, questions or concerns relating to the village, they may have or they can contact the Clerk by emailing: [clerk@essendonparishcouncil.co.uk](mailto:clerk@essendonparishcouncil.co.uk)

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## Services for November

10<sup>th</sup> Nov Remembrance Service 10.45am, Essendon

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29<sup>th</sup> Nov St Andrew's Night Service and Supper 7pm.

## Wellbeing Class

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## Bike & Hike Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Sadly, we did not have any cyclist, but we did have walkers from Bayford Church and Ponsbourne Church we offered tea coffee and cakes. Thank you to everyone who supported us and a special thank you to Sylvia who spent the day providing the refreshments.

## Macmillan Coffee Morning

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

It really was one of the wettest days, but we were remarkably busy and had a wonderful morning with donations of homemade Bread Soup and delicious cakes marmalade bookmarks and knitted mice! **We raised £542.10p** special thank you to everyone involved we made a difference!

## Christmas is Coming.

We have plans for Christmas so look for our posters and Banners neared to December.

## Ray Curson

We are saddened to hear of the passing on 27<sup>th</sup> September of Ray Curson for many years the landlord of the Five Horseshoes. He lived at Bush Farm, before moving to Framlingham.



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by the Parish  
Magazine Team, and  
other Church Groups.**



**The Macmillan  
Coffee Morning.**

Rowan with her  
Bronze Medal.

## **News from Little Berkhamsted Parish Council**

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Novmber 2024** at 7.30pm in the village hall. The agenda is published on the website and village notice-board the week before the meeting and residents are welcome to send questions and comments to the clerk beforehand, [clerk@littleberkhamsted.org.uk](mailto:clerk@littleberkhamsted.org.uk) or attend the meeting and ask in person.

### **Community Clothes Bank**

On the field is our Clothing Bank ready for your donations of clothes, shoes, bags and belts. Thank you for your support. All proceeds go towards the village projects.

### **The Community Café**

Friday mornings in the Cricket and Community Pavilion from 10am to 12.00 come along and enjoy coffee, tea, cakes and great conversations.

### **Vacancy**

Little Berkhamsted Parish Council currently have a vacancy for a Parish Councillor. This is a rewarding voluntary role in which you can really make a difference in your village.

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### **HELP THE VILLAGE**

One of the conditions of the East Herts Health and Wellbeing grant that we were awarded for the pavilion renovations is that we sell at least 50 tickets for our cause on the East Herts Lottery.

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### **HOT OFF THE PRESS**

I must apologise for the Dog Bins in the village. For some reason they are not being emptied regularly. The operative that used to look after the bins for us has left. It appears that the person that is now doing it—isn't doing it as he should.

I have been on the phone continually complaining about over the past few weeks.

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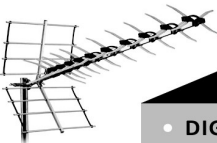
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**Village Chat** - WhatsApp group for people living in the village. To join the group contact 07710 507 215

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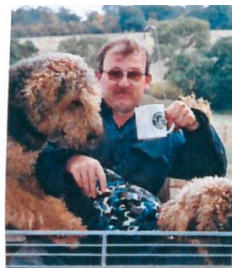
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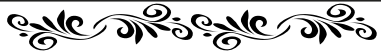
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