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Rector's Article.

Dear All

As we stand on the threshold of a new year, it's only natural to reflect on the journey of the past and set our sights on the possibilities that lie ahead. The year 2023 brought its share of challenges and triumphs, causing us to grow or change. Now, with the dawn of 2024, many are looking forward with anticipation, armed with new visions, aspirations or hopes.

In the pursuit of our dreams or visions, it's essential to acknowledge the power of faith and determination. Proverbs 16:3 offers a timeless piece of wisdom: *"Commit your work to the LORD, and your plans will be established."* This verse serves as a reminder that while planning is crucial, true success comes from entrusting our efforts to God, the source of life. God invites us to align our ambitions with His divine purpose. As we set our gaze on 2024, our desires vary – some pray for resolution in family challenges, others for welfare, health, peace, and restoration. Every plea, regardless of its nature, is significant in the eyes of the Almighty God because He cares deeply for us.

Consider the story of the woman with the issue of blood in the Bible- Mark 5:25-34. Her unwavering faith moved her to believe that a mere touch of Jesus' garment would bring about healing. Exhausted from futile attempts to find a cure and depleted of financial resources, she was determined to do an extraordinary act (Faith with action) she placed her trust in the power of the LORD. This

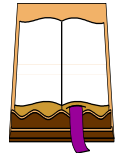
act of faith and courage resulted in her healing, showcasing the incredible impact of aligning one's actions with a strong belief in the divine.

Drawing inspiration from this narrative, we are reminded that with faith in God, determination, and trust in His power, we can achieve the goals we set our minds to. The journey may not always be easy, and moments of discouragement may arise, but just as the woman with the issue of blood pressed forward in her pursuit of healing, so too can we overcome obstacles with unwavering faith. As we enter 2024, let us not only uplift ourselves but also inspire others to believe in the fulfilment of hope, visions or aspirations.

In conclusion, as we reflect on the lessons of 2023 and set our aspirations for 2024, let us commit our plans to the LORD, knowing that His guidance and strength will see us through even in challenging times. With faith, determination, and a supportive community, we can embrace the promise that 2024 holds.

Revd Theresa Musiwacho

PARISH REGISTER



Baptisms

26th November 2023 Edward James AFFLECK Little Berkhamsted
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Wedding

24th November 2023 Olivia-Ann Rose MELVIN &
George William COLEMAN Essendon

Deaths

21st November 2023 Barney ROBERTS Essendon
25th November 2023 Stephen ROGERS Essendon

Prayer Share

Almighty God, may you guide us in all we do, may you make your face to shine upon us and be gracious to us; may you lift up your countenance upon us and give us peace. Amen.



Situation Vacant

For the past couple of years, Sue and Mike Wainwright have been carrying out the duties of **General Distributor**, in addition to Mike's principal role as Editor of our Parish Magazine. This was only intended to be an interim arrangement, until such time that another of our readers stepped forward to assume this role on a more permanent basis. To this end, we are looking for somebody to assume the role of General Distributor from the start of the new calendar year.

in village life as we know it and wish to learn more about what is involved in this role, please feel free to contact in the first instance:

Mike Wainwright, Editor:
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Sunday 14th January, Second Sunday after The Epiphany

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Bayford

11:00 am, Family Service, Little Berkhamsted

Sunday 21st January, Third Sunday after The Epiphany

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Ponsbourne

9:30 am, Family Service, Essendon

11:00 pm, Family Service, Brickendon

Sunday 28th January, Fourth Sunday after The Epiphany

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Little Berkhamsted

11:00 pm, Family Service, Bayford

Sunday 4th February Fifth Sunday after The Epiphany

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Essendon

9:30 am, Family Service, Ponsbourne

11:00 am, Parish Communion, Brickendon

Wednesdays

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Increases in the cost of living never seem to be out of the news, adversely affecting all of us whichever way we turn. The parish magazine has not been exempted from such price increases, which has seen the costs of printing continue to rise year-on-year.

However, acknowledging that 'times are tough' and the need to remain competitive, we have decided to maintain next year's subscription rates at 2023 levels, except for those receiving the magazine through the post, which reflects recent significant increases introduced by Royal Mail:

Annual subscription: £8.00
Monthly rate: 80p
Postal rate (2nd class): £27.00

We believe that the magazine offers excellent value for money and will allow us to continue to financially support both local and national initiatives that are compatible with our objectives.

We trust we will be able to count upon your continued support next year, what with the magazine being such an integral part of the support network within our parishes.

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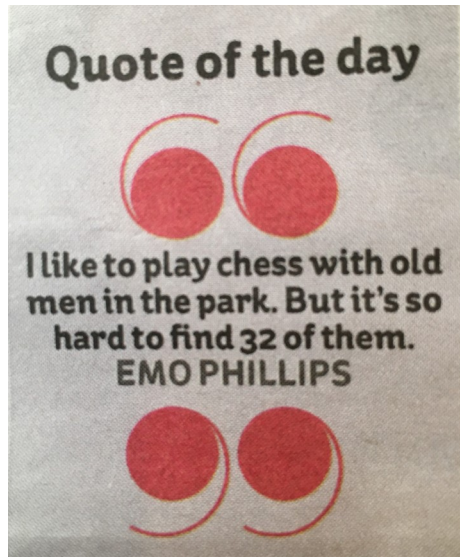
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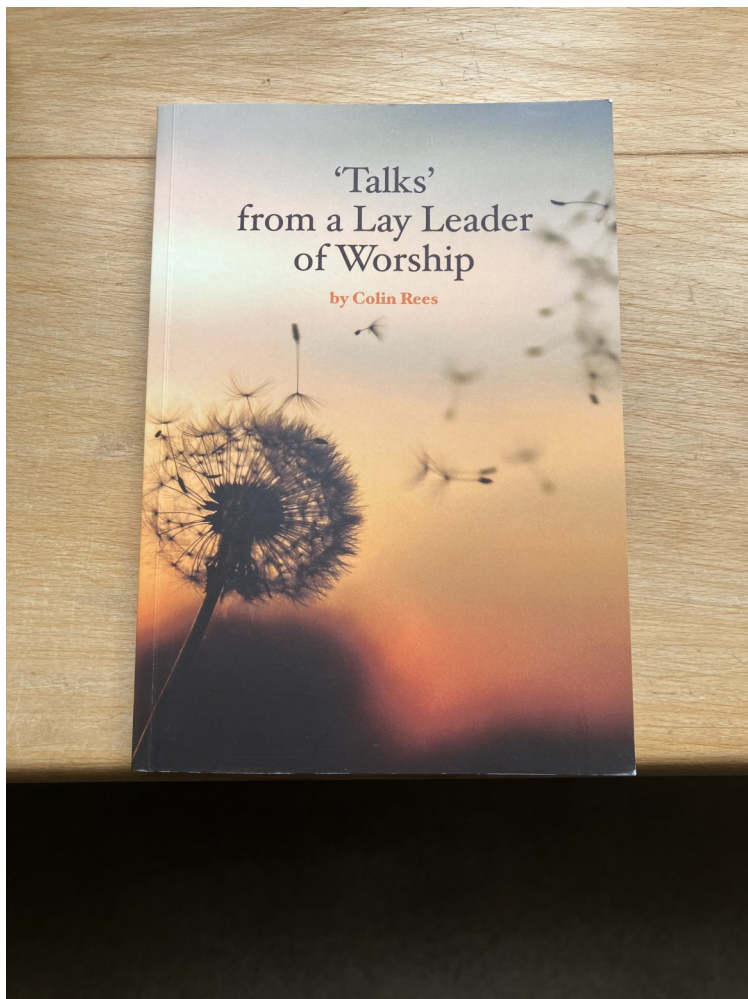
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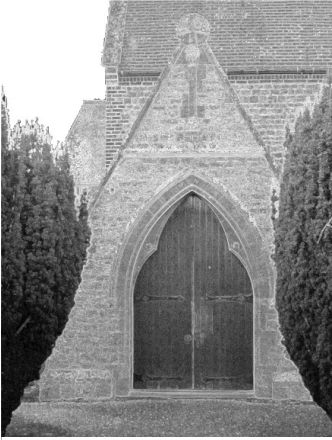
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To read the minutes and agendas just Google '*Bayford Parish Council*' and follow the link to '*Minutes*'.

The Baker Arms

McM have put the pub up for sale which has triggered the ACV process. FOBA has six weeks to confirm that FOBA wish to go ahead and buy the pub, probably as a Community Benefit Society (CBS). Grants are available from the government. As of this date (12th Dec) FOBA are arranging to get the pub valued. Then we have to negotiate a price

BA Car Park Right of Way.

Our RofW expert, Andrea Trendler, is advising us on this matter. It is vital that all evidence forms are collected in and a coordinated application made. The process is likely to start in January.

We will be looking for people who are willing to state that they have used the car park as a footpath/bridleway

for all or part of the period 2003 to 2023. The decision on when to proceed needs careful thought and is dependent on the route taken to secure the future of the BA.

The Old Playground.

Gavin Nelson continues to update us on the progress. Bonnel Homes have had to apply to EHDC to make small alterations in the plans. The vegetation has been cut down.

Meetings.

22nd January, Monday

Please check the web site.

Michael Wainwright (Dr),
Chairman.

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The Baker Arms

Christmas Social Evening

FOBA held an evening of fun and cheer. On **Friday 15th December** at Bayford Memorial Hall.

Roadmap to re-opening the Baker Arms

With the pub now listed as an Asset of Community Value (ACV), and a meeting with McMullen & Sons having put the pub up for sale, the coming months will see our roadmap take shape. There are milestones on the way: establishing the site valuation, our vision and business plan, identifying potential partners, setting a fundraising plan and target, and formalising a legal structure (we're considering proven democratic models like Community Benefit Society and Community Interest Company).

Friends in all the right places

We're not going it alone! An application has been lodged with the Plunkett Foundation, a charity that offers help and professional advice to groups in rural areas seeking to acquire and run community- owned businesses. FOBA had a Zoom meeting with our Plunkett consultant, Mark Golding, which was very useful. We're also hearing from other community pub groups, like the Red Lion in Aston who have recently opened under community ownership. Some great people have offered to help – we'd love to hear from anyone else who has expertise in community engagement, the planning system, development and construction, fundraising and food and drink.

Consultation survey shapes vision for Community Pub

We've received close to 200 responses - thank you! These show an amazing 96% support level for having a pub in Bayford. A clear vision for the site is emerging: a safe and welcoming place for people to meet and socialise, and also a community hub; offering perhaps a café, a shop and practicalities such as a parcel point. It could also give life to new dreams – great ideas have come forward like a repair cafe, dementia support and fostering connection with nature through walking and cycling groups. All these ideas will need nurturing, but just now it's exciting to think big! The survey remains open at the website.

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January

5th & 12th
19th & 26th

Cleaning

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Fanshaws Room

(the Village Hall)

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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 Clerk: Laura Brooks-Payne
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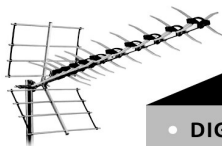
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January Services. See page 5.

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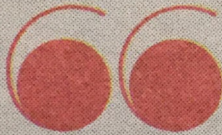
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Quote of the day



**The only thing that
overcomes hard
luck is hard work
HARRY GOLDEN**





Essendon W.I. members enjoying a Christmas lunch in December at The Duke of York. Good company. Great food. Terrific raffle. Everything to get the festive season proceedings underway".

GARDENING JANAUARY

January has come and there is a new year ahead for us all in our gardens, whether large or small, and certainly over recent times our climate appears to be changing much more quickly and we must adapt and probably be much more thoughtful in what we are planning and planting. However, we must not panic but combine old ideas with new suggestions and continue to enjoy it all, even the mistakes! Our immediate concern perhaps are the birds, particularly if it is very cold, and we must make sure that we position our bird tables and feeding points, particularly so that they are safe from predators. Have a good look at your hellebores which can suffer from black spot and cut off affected leaves so that it doesn't detract from the flowers—they will be such a wonderful lasting attraction from January onwards and a real start to spring.

Gooseberries can be pruned at this time of year, removing older branches and any that are scraping the ground and do clear up any clippings. It is also a good month to plant bare-root roses, but make sure they have a good drink when they arrive and, if you can't plant them straight away in their permanent positions, then heel them in covering their roots with old potting compost.

If your garden is one where you can leave Dahlias in the ground over winter safely, then do but not if where they are in very wet is they will rot. I managed last summer to plant the wildest and tallest crimson one right at the front, so it will have to be moved if it survives Germander Speedwell

Essendon Nature Notes

It is that time of year again when the debate in the house is whether to remove them or not. I am talking about ladybirds of course, and specifically harlequin ladybirds. In recent years it has been common to find a loveliness, the charming collective noun for these creatures, in the corner of a room overwintering and this year is no exception. I kind of like them as the sense of sharing a space with nature is not something that we experience too often these days. They do no harm inside but not everyone appreciates their presence as a seasonal interior design feature.

One of the their distinctive features is the sheer variety of their coloration with many different red, black and orange versions with up to 21 spots marking them out from the 46 species of native ladybirds. They also have distinctive orange-brown legs which is a good identifier if you are not sure.

Native to Japan, they arrived in the UK in 2004 and since then have established themselves

completely. However, as with most invasive species there are some less than lovely aspects to their presence. They are ferocious predators taking large numbers of aphids which is a boon to gardeners but they probably outcompete native species and they will also take adult ladybirds. There is little we can do given the rapidity of their spread except wait for other insects which are its natural enemies to adapt and evolve and perhaps keep their numbers in check. In the meantime if you find them in a dark corner this winter, think of the roses next summer and leave the loveliness be. DC



A Teacher's Lament

BY KALLI DAKOS

Don't tell me the cat ate your math sheet,

And your spelling words went down the drain,

And you couldn't decipher your homework,

Because it was soaked in the rain.

Don't tell me you slaved for hours
On the project that's due today,

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If your snake hadn't run away.

Don't tell me you lost your eraser,
And your worksheets and pencils, too,
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Sunday 14th January 11am **Animal Family Service**

Sunday 28th January 9.30am **Parish Communion**

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The Church is open every day.

So, pop in and see what's going on, we have a Baby group on Tuesday 10-11.30. Wednesday 10-11 A Wellbeing group. We have a good section of books that are free. And you're welcome to sit for a while.

We wish everyone A very Happy New Year 2024

St Andrew's Church.

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Contact: Sandie Ash 01707875221



January 2024

In January we will be holding our first

Animal Family Service.

If you don't have a pet bring a soft cuddly one everyone welcome.



WE WISH EVERYONE A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR

Nature Trail by BENJAMIN ZEPHANIAH

At the bottom of my garden
There's a hedgehog and a frog
And a lot of creepy-crawlies
Living underneath a log,
There's a baby daddy long legs
And an easy-going snail
And a family of woodlice,
All are on my nature trail.

There are caterpillars waiting
For their time to come to fly,
There are worms turning the earth
over
As ladybirds fly by,
Birds will visit, cats will visit
But they always chose their time
And I've even seen a fox visit
This wild garden of mine.

Squirrels come to nick my nuts
And busy bees come buzzing
And when the night time comes
Sometimes some dragonflies come
humming,
My garden mice are very shy
And I've seen bats that growl
And in my garden I have seen
A very wise old owl.

My garden is a lively place
There's always something happening,
There's this constant search for food
And then there's all that flowering,
When you have a garden
You will never be alone
And I believe we all deserve
A garden of our own.

News from Little Berkhamsted Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on **Wednesday 17th January 2024** at 7.30pm in the village hall. The agenda is published on the website and village noticeboard the week before the meeting and residents are welcome to send questions and comments to the clerk beforehand, clerk@littleberkhamsted.org.uk or attend the meeting and ask in person.



Volunteers needed to arrange the village's commemoration of the 80th Anniversary of the DDay landings.

Please contact Penny :
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The Community Café

This is held every Friday morning in the Cricket and Community Pavilion from 10.00am to 12.00. For just £1 come and enjoy a tea or coffee, often with delicious homemade cake and good conversation with your friends and neighbours.

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To register just go to: www.easthertslottery.co.uk/support/little-berkhamsted-cricket-and-community

The funds raised are going towards the refurbishment of the village hall.

Thank you for your support and good luck with your numbers!

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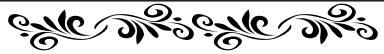
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