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Dear all

We once again approach Remembrance Sunday, to honour those who gave their lives in the service of peace, freedom, and country. Across the United Kingdom, and beyond, silence falls at the eleventh hour, not as an end, but as a powerful act of remembrance, a collective recalling of sacrifice, sorrow, and courage. This year, in collaboration with the community as always, Hartford Hundred Group Remembrance Service will be held on the 9th November at Bayford Church at 10:45 am.

Remembrance is not just a social tradition. In the Bible, God's people are repeatedly commanded to remember God's acts, His promises, and even their own history.

In the Book of Deuteronomy, Moses instructs the Israelites before they enter the Promised Land: "Take care lest you forget the Lord your God... who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery." Deuteronomy 8:11,14. Here, remembrance is not identity. It shapes who they are and who they are becoming. Similarly, Jesus, on the night before His crucifixion, took bread and wine and said: "Do this in remembrance of me." Luke 22:19.

This command echoes every time believers share in Communion, a solemn remembrance of sacrifice made for the sake of others.

On Remembrance Sunday, we are reminded of those who laid down their lives, soldiers who faced death so that others might live in peace. This echoes the biblical principle of self-sacrifice, most clearly seen in Christ Himself. "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." John 15:13.

This verse is often quoted at war memorials - and rightly so. It captures the spirit of those who chose duty over safety, service over self. Yet, the Bible doesn't stop at sacrifice. The Christian story moves through the darkness of the cross to the light of resurrection. In the same way, Remembrance Sunday is not merely about mourning loss - it is about committing to peace, working for reconciliation, and striving to ensure that such loss never need to occur again.

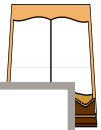
Remembrance, then, is not a passive act, it is a sacred duty. A call to live lives worthy of the freedoms we have received. A call to honour sacrifice with compassion. A call to remember not just once a year, but always.

The Reverend Theresa Musiwacho

Prayer Share God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



PARISH REGISTER



Date Death	Name	Community
29 th September 2025	Vivien Elizabeth Dowton	Bayford
4 th October 2025	Margaret Hills	Brickendon

November 2025 Calendar

Sunday 2nd November

09.30 -10.30	Parish Communion	Essendon
09.30 - 10.15	Family Service	Ponsbourne
11.00 - 1200	Parish Communion	Brickendon

Sunday 9th November

09.30 - 10.30	Parish Communion,	Bayford
09.30—1015	Family Service	Esendon
10.45 - 11.45	Group Remembrance Service	Little.Berkhamsted

Sunday 16th November

09.30 - 10.30	Parish Communion	Ponsbourne
11.00 - 11.45	Family Service	Brickendon

Sunday 23rd November

09.30—10.30	Parish Communion	Little Berkhamsted
11.00 - 11.45	Family Service	Bayford

Sunday 30th November

1015—11.15	Group Communion	Little Berkhamsted
16.00—16.45	Christingle Service,	Ponsbourne

Saturday 6th November

19.30—22.00	Just Friends Christmas Concert	Essendon Church
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Sunday 7th December

09,30 -10.30	Parish Communion	Essendon
11.00—1200	Parish Communion,	Brickendon

Every Wednesday

9.30 Mid week Holy Communion Service, Essendon

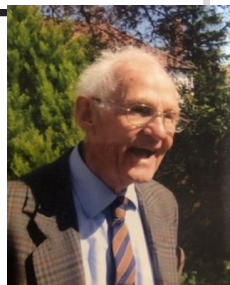
Bible Study

The Bible study group has started again at 7pm at The Rectory in Little Berkhamsted. This year the Nicene Creed has its 1700 anniversary so we will be using this as our theme until Christmas. We try to meet every two to three weeks. Each study is a separate topic so you just attend what you can manage. We are a friendly group trying to make sense of God's word and everyone is welcome.

Beresford Thomson 1936 - 2025

Churchwarden, St Mary The Virgin, Essendon

Beresford landed in England in January 1960, intending to spend two years in further study before returning to his home town, Adelaide, within two years. Sixty-two years later we said farewell to Essendon and came "home" to Sydney. But in many ways it meant for us "leaving home" – leaving Essendon. We moved into Essendon, all the way from Brookmans Park, on one of the wettest weekends of 1988, memorable for the Wimbledon finals having to be played on the Monday. The Higginbothams ran late in moving out, so, because the cottage



at that time had two front doors, our crates were carried through the house and piled up in the back garden. We loved our cottage and excitedly named it Adelaide Cottage. We found out later it had always been 8 Rose Cottages and felt rather foolish. The back garden had an ancient non-fruiting apple tree, a football net for small boys and little else. Just the blank canvas we wanted. And so, as Aussie newcomers, our very happy life in the village began. St Mary's Church welcomed us from Day One. Beresford was quickly put on Anne Mitcheson's Readers' list. (The then treasurer, Davis Brewster, complimented him on his loud voice.) When Molly Freak, the much loved and respected churchwarden, suddenly died, Revd Pauline appeared on our doorstep and asked Beresford to fill in as warden until the next church AGM.

"But I'm not sure I even believe in God!"

"That's a good starting point," replied Pauline.

And so began nineteen fulfilling years, working alongside Anne Mitcheson and Revd Pauline Higham, then meeting the challenge of an interregnum followed by supporting Revd Theresa.

There is so much to remember from those years.

His eleventh-hour-drafting into the role of Third Knight in Pat Jackson's production of "Murder in the Cathedral", adding an unintentional comic element. Those thespian skills re-appeared in later years when we took Bible stories into Essendon school. Who else could play God booming from behind the stage curtain or Moses leading the Israelites through the Red Sea? He was for many years the grandfatherly presence at the weekly Tiny tots service and Father Christmas for the Sunday Club.

Retirement from dentistry simply meant transferring all his energies to the multitude and variety of tasks faced by all churchwardens and particularly, in Essendon, involvement in all the activities of The Friends. Gardens Open Days were joyous occasions. He ran the plant stall at the annual fete and spent hours creating our own garden. Worship at St Mary's was central to his life.

Essendon gave us so much that is good about village life: friendship and support, a sense of heritage and a lovely country-side. We were sad to say good-bye, but Beresford has left behind him some traces: the cushion on the piano stool in St Mary's and the upholstery of the Bishop's special chair in St Mary's Ponsbourne.

Joan Thomson

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Garden Notes November

November can be not only an interesting month in our gardens, however large or small they are, but also, particularly this year, with the unusual climate we seem to be going through and the lack of rain at normal times. We must think how we plan to 'put our gardens to bed safely' and still enjoy them!

If we have a hard winter , plants in containers are vulnerable because they will freeze in their pots - which will take a long time to thaw out . Also, the pots crack. Mulch and protect whatever you can and try and keep them carefully watered , if possible. It is interesting that grey plants and small alpines dislike rain more than cold.

Here are a few suggestions for plants that flourish in 'problem places'.

Ivies are not all boring and dark green and there are several small-leaved white-edged varieties, such as White Wonder and Glacier. Also, larger yellow-leaved Paddy's Pride, which itself will spread itself out to make a



Ivy white wonder



Midwinter fire dogwood

thick covering to brighten up the garden!

For rather 'waterlogged' areas, coloured dogwoods add winter interest if treated the right way. Cut them back hard in early March. C. alba Midwinter Fire is a good example.

The other great 'very good-tempered friend' is the hardy geranium and there are many different varieties of these. They come in all sorts of different heights so try them! Happy winter gardening!



Hardy geranium

Germander Speedwell



Bayford

St. Mary's Church

Church Cleaners –

Sarah Walduck

Jane Rowley

BAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Meetings. Please check the web site. The next meeting is 24th November, 8pm in the Memorial Hall. To read the minutes and agendas just Google '*Bayford Parish Council*' and follow the link to '*Minutes*'.

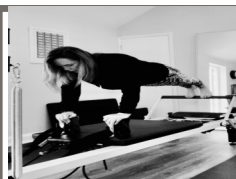
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Bell's Wood

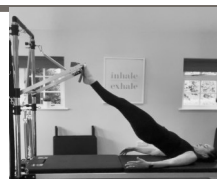
EHDC are still considering the Certificate of Lawfulness application. Bob Deering and BPC have emailed EHDC to ask why a decision has not yet been made . Around the time of the previous PC meeting, EHDC said they would arrive at a decision tomorrow (23rd September) or next Friday, 26th September!

Friends of The Baker Arms

The planning application has been submitted by McM and is being considered by FOBA. EHDC have made several (adverse) comments and FOBA have raised a number of important problems. It looks like another Application will have to be made.



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I call these feta and courgette fritters, but really, once you have got the basic batter you can put almost any combination of cheese and vegetables in it that you like, so I have added a couple of variations at the end. They freeze very well, and somehow it is always satisfying to know that you have got a batch of something tasty in the freezer for those days when you are struggling to think of what to cook. Serve them as a simple lunch with yoghurt and cucumber, or with any main meal instead of potatoes/rice/pasta.

Serves 4. Makes about 16 medium sized fritters.

Note: You will need a large frying pan to cook them in two or three batches.



Ingredients:

100g/3½ oz self raising flour	100g feta cheese, cut into small cubes
2 eggs, beaten	1 tbsp oil
50ml/2fl oz milk	Salt and pepper
300g/10½ oz courgettes, grated	

Method: Begin by preparing the courgettes. Grate onto a chopping board (no need to peel them) and pat dry with kitchen paper to remove some of the moisture. Sift the self raising flour into a large bowl and make a well in the centre. Add the eggs to the well, and using a wooden spoon or small whisk, gently draw in the flour. Slowly add the milk to the mixture, stirring to form a thick batter. Add the grated courgettes and cubed feta, along with a pinch of salt and pepper. Stir to combine. Heat the oil in a large frying pan and take about a tablespoon of batter for a medium sized fritter, or half a tablespoon for a smaller bite sized fritter. Spoon the mixture into the oil and cook in batches for 3 or 4 minutes on each side until golden brown. You might need to top the oil up a smidge by the second or third batch. Place the batches in the oven to keep warm if you are going to eat them straight away, or leave them to go cold before putting them in the freezer.

For the yoghurt and cucumber, mix 150g of natural yoghurt with about 100g of cucumber cut into small cubes. Add a handful of fresh chopped mint, or a teaspoon of mint sauce from a jar.

Variations: Replace the courgettes with: grated carrot, frozen peas or tinned sweetcorn

Replace the feta with: mozzarella or grated parmesan

If you prefer your fritters a little spicy, add half a teaspoon of crushed chillies to the batter.



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Essendon Nature Notes

I think it was Simon Barnes the writer and naturalist who, when asked “How often do you go birdwatching?”, gave the response “I don’t understand the question, I am birdwatching”. He was making the point that observation of the natural world is not a pastime or a hobby, more a way of life, a state of being.

Wherever you are there is a wildness to see, a song to hear, a feeling to sense, a beauty to inspire. A kestrel hovering as you drive down the motorway. A skylark, joyful, high above the fields as you walk the dogs. Waking at first light and hearing a muntjac barking or a tawny hooting, as I did this morning.

Once you are in this mindset, it is not just the reality of the world around you but also the volumes in the library of your memory that provides solace. The great Irish poet, William Butler Yeats, understood this instinctively and it is encapsulated in his most famous poem and one that I learned by heart in my schooldays, where he uses reflections of his beloved ‘Lake Isle of Innisfree’ as sanctuary:



“I will arise and go now, for always night and day
I hear lake water lapping with low sounds by the shore;
While I stand on the roadway, or on the pavements grey,
I hear it in the deep heart’s core”

Now, more than ever, we need to be aware of nature’s power of healing as it becomes increasingly under threat and alongside it, our own harmony, our own sanity, our own simplicity. When we are asked to believe that progress is the answer perhaps we need to be brave enough to say that we don’t understand the question.

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Brickendon

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2nd November 1100-1200 Parish Communion
 9th November 1045-1145
Group Remembrance Service Little B
 16th November 1100-1145 Family Service
 7 December 1100-1200 Parish Communion

Altar Flowers

Cathy Gibbens	30th Oct
Cathy Gibbens	6th
Amanda Davey	13th
Amanda Davey	20th
Amanda Davey	27th

Church Cleaning

Alison Blakey

 Amanda Davey

There is a new Flower and Cleaning rota for the next 12 months. Grateful thanks go to so many friends who help to keep our church looking so beautiful. New members would be very welcome, so please consider helping. Phone or message Virginia on 07770 944854 or email virginia.haryott@gmail.com

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Parish Council Meetings

Next meeting :22nd November

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 Brickendon Liberty Parish Council
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 Email clerk@brickendon-liberty.org.uk

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Minutes: Brickendon website
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Bizet

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Sunday 7th December 2025 3pm

Drill Hall, Ware

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Saturday 6th December- suitable all levels

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Flower Rota November
2nd/8th Lesley Reith

15/22 th
Sian & John Hackett



Essendon Parish Council

Welwyn and Hatfield Borough Councillor, Mark Short will be attending the November Parish Council meeting, on Tuesday 4th November at 7pm in the Village Hall. Residents are welcome to attend and will have an opportunity to ask questions and raise matters relating to the village. The meeting's agenda will be available at least three working days beforehand on the parish council website at www.essendonparishcouncil.gov.uk and on noticeboards in the village. Meeting Minutes are published after the meeting on the website. In the meantime, if you have any issues you would like addressed by the parish council, please contact the Clerk by emailing: clerk@essendonparishcouncil.co.uk

St Mary's Churchyard Clearing
Saturday 29th November 10.00 am

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nicki.whitelaw@sky.co

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Just Friends Christmas Concert

7.30pm Saturday 6th December 2025

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Youth Talk

Friends of St. Mary's Essendon The **CANDLELIT CHRISTMAS SUPPER** in the church - 7pm for 7.30 **Saturday 13 December 2025**



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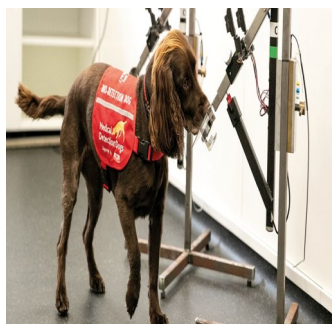
For specific requests for table plans contact Judy Rennie 02036 628212

Please contact Sharon or Judy for dietary requirements.

It is not always possible to accommodate on the night.

ESSENDON W.I November 19th

The charity, **Medical Detection Dogs**, will be visiting Essendon on **Wednesday 19th November**. Graham Craker will talk to the WI about **Medical Alert Assistance dogs** that are trained to support people with life-threatening health diagnosis of cancer and other diseases.



WI meetings take place every third Wednesday of the month with doors of the Village Hall opening at 7.30, for 8.00 pm start. Please call Lyn McCash, 07971 909540, for further information.



Essendon Bellringers ring at St Mary's Essendon

The bellringers ring for Sunday services and special occasions. They practise on Tuesday evenings 8-9pm. They would like to welcome new members to learn the intricate art of English bell ringing.

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Current regular events at the village hall

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WEDNESDAY AllSorts Dementia Day Group Contact Kelly 07557 145 484

WI 3rd Wednesday evening 7.45 Contact Lyn 07971 909 540

THURSDAY Pilates 9.30-10.30 Contact Ketí 07718 386 195

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Her cover of Randy Newman's song Feels Like Home was featured in the Cameron Diaz film My Sister's Keeper and has since had over twenty million plays on Spotify and fifty million plays on You Tube. Edwina did two sets, the first her songs and covers interspersed with chats about how the songs got written and her life.

Requests taken in the interval were performed during the second half. Edwina was extremely approachable and very friendly. Her singing was beautiful and the acoustics in the Church were wonderful! As a treat she brought a friend, Emily Slade, who started the second half with a solo and then dueted with Edwina! (We are hoping to get Emily for the Candlelit Supper!)

It was an amazing evening and we have been asked to book her for next year!!! We would like to thank all of you who supported this event.

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JOIN OUR NEXT MEETING

Come and join our next Parish Council meeting on Wednesday the 19th November. It's a great way to hear what is happening in our village and meet other local members.

There will also be an allotted time where you can ask any questions, so feel free to ask these when the Chairman invites this.

5 WAYS TO HELP WILDLIFE IN WINTER

Winter feels like a quieter time in nature. Lower temperatures and less daylight make a lot of wildlife less active, but many species are still easy to spot and will appreciate a helping hand in chilly conditions. From practical activities in your garden or community to the comfort of your armchair, check out our 10 top tips to make a difference this season.

1. Plant a hedge—for shelter and hiding spots
2. Build or buy a bird box—to help birds find a safe winter home
3. Avoid turning compost heap—can disturb hibernating frogs or hedgehogs
4. Thaw icy water—break ice to allow birds to drink from frozen water
5. Feed the birds—leave bird feed out for local wildlife

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THANK YOU

A big thank you to all those that supported our litter pick in September. It was a great success and the village is looking a lot tidier because of all those that supported.

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St Andrew's Church News

Bike & Hike September

A Big thank you to everyone involved from the walkers, the bikers, the cake makers, and our fundraisers.

Thank you to everyone at St Mary's Church who welcomed the walkers and doggies with hot sausages rolls and refreshments We raised enough to make rose garden next to the lichgate.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Again, Thank you! Homemade bread cakes soup and so much more , friends and neighbours just chatting and sharing. We raised £267.00.

Dates for your diary

Remembrance Service

Bayford Church November 9th 10.45

St Andrew's Church Supper

Friday 28th November

Christmas Musical Evening

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3. In which sport does the umpire climb up to a seat above the players?
4. What is the normal meaning in English of the French phrase "savoir faire"?
5. If a garment is candy striped which colours would you normally see?
6. In 2025, who is the only surviving member of the England team that won the 1966 football World Cup?
7. At which African Lake did Henry Stanley meet Dr Livingstone?
8. Which waterfall has the tallest uninterrupted drop in the world?

November Brain teaser— answer in December

Can you name the 10 Regnal names of Kings and 4 recognised regnal names of Queens of England (and later GB and UK) since 1066 (A regnal name is the formal name a monarch or pope uses during their reign) So we want names -which may be repeated with different numbers ...



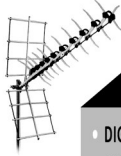
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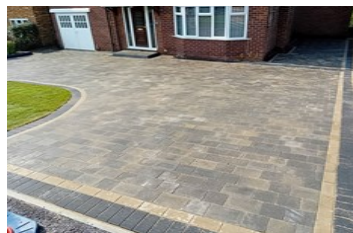
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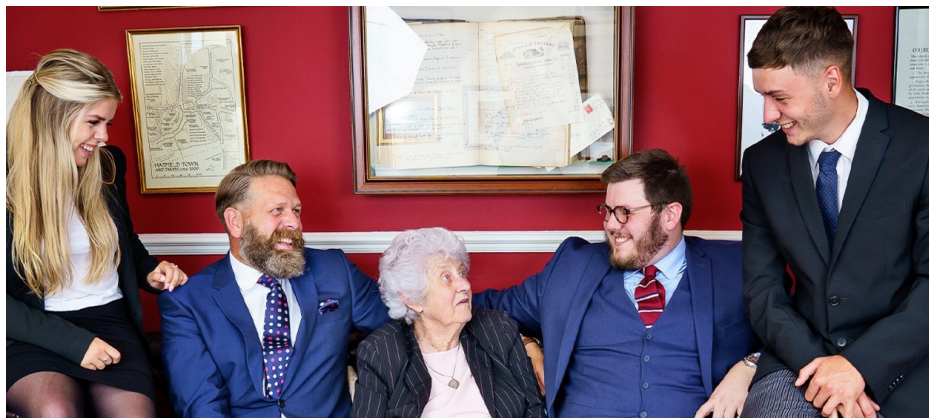
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