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Dear all,

Hebrews 12:2 says: *“Looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”*

The phrase **“looking to Jesus”** means focusing our attention on Him. Some Bible translations express this as **“fixing our eyes on Jesus.”** In everyday life, people often look up to those who have succeeded. They admire them and hope to follow in their footsteps. When people see someone achieve something great, it inspires them to believe they can do the same. There is a common saying: **“See it, be it.”** This idea suggests that when you can picture a goal and see someone else accomplish it, it becomes easier to believe that you too can reach that goal. Visualising success often motivates people to turn their dreams into reality.

In a similar way, the Bible encourages us to focus on Jesus. Although He is God, He came into the world to show us how to live and how to remain faithful. Think of someone playing **darts**. Before throwing the dart, the player carefully fixes their eyes on the exact spot they want to hit on the board. Their attention is fully focused on that target. If their focus shifts, even slightly, the dart may miss the mark. Another example is **table tennis**. The table is small and the ball moves very quickly. Players must keep their eyes constantly on the tiny ball. Even a brief loss of focus can cause them to miss the shot. The game requires concentration, attention, and quick reactions.

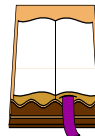
In the same way, our spiritual journey requires focus. Hebrews 12:1 reminds us to **“lay aside every weight and the sin that so easily entangles us.”** Distractions can easily cause us to lose focus. These distractions may come in many forms—temptations, worries, discouragement, or the pressures of life. Overcoming them requires determination, God's grace, and the help of the Holy Spirit. Jesus Himself faced suffering, yet He did not give up. If He had given up on the cross, the purpose of His coming would have been in vain. But because of the joy set before Him, He endured the cross and completed His mission.

The Bible encourages us not to give up either. **Galatians 6:9** reminds us: *“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.”* As human beings, we sometimes reach moments when we feel tired and want to stop. But we should remember that others may be watching our example. Someone might be saying, “If John made it, I can make it too,” or “If Mary didn't give up, then I will keep going.” Brothers and sisters, the journey of faith is not always

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PARISH REGISTER

Name	Date	Community
Baptism		
Aloise Cathrine CLAYTON	01 March 2026	Ponsbourne
Interment of Ashes		
Margaret BURGESS	20 February 2026	Essendon
Christine NEWCOMBE	25 February 2026	Ponsbourne
Eli GRAHAM	4 March 2026	Essendon
Memorial Service		
Sheila Maureen PARKER	26 February 2026	Little Berkhamsted



APRIL 2026 Calendar

Easter Services

Friday 3rd April

Good Friday

10.00	Easter Garden	Essendon
11.00	Easter Story	On Line
12.00	One hour at the cross	Little Berkhamsted
18.30	Evening Service	Essendon

Saturday 4th April

19.30	Easter Lights Vigil	Ponsbourne
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Sunday 5th April

Easter Day

09.30	Parish Communion	Essendon
09.30	Parish Communion	Ponsbourne
11.15	Parish Communion	Bayford
11.15	Parish Communion	Little Berkhamsted

Sunday 12th April

09.30	Parish Communion	Bayford
11.00	Family Service	Little Berkhamsted

Sunday 19th April

09.30	Family Service	Essendon
09.30	Parish Communion	Ponsbourne
11.00	Family Service	Brickendon

Sunday 26th April

09.30	Parish Communion	Little Berkhamsted
11.00	Family Service	Bayford
18.30	Evensong	Essendon

Sunday 3rd May

09.30	Family Service	Ponsbourne
09.30	Parish Communion	Essendon
11.00	Parish Communion	Brickendon

Wednesdays

09.30	Holy Communion Service, Essendon , followed by coffee	
10.15	Telephone Service - Dial 03306060403 then enter access code 568124 then press # key (this number is free)	

From the editor

Are you a local historian with a story to tell?

I would like to include an occasional local history section—starting with the history of the 5 churches or other buildings or monuments—are there any local historians with a good tale to tell about historic facts about our villages?

The series starts this month with the history of the Chapel in Brickendon—see page 17 for the full story.

Take note also of the **“Walk 100 miles challenge”** for CPRE Herts—the local countryside charity details on page 29

Rector’s letter continued from page 3...

. Yet Hebrews 12:1 encourages us to **“run with perseverance the race marked out for us.”** As Christians, we are not alone—we have the Holy Spirit who strengthens us in our weaknesses and helps us continue when the path is difficult. May this season of **Lent**, as we journey toward **Easter**, encourage us to focus our hearts and minds on Jesus. Let us fix our eyes on Him, follow His example, and persevere in faith. He endured suffering for our sake, laid aside every burden, and now sits at the right hand of God.

The Reverend Theresa Musiwacho

Prayer Share

Almighty God, you are our source of faith. Jesus Christ you were sent to us because the Father loves us. We pray for the grace to continually fix our attention to you, Jesus, that at the end we obtain eternal life. We pray all this through Jesus Christ our Saviour who is alive. **Amen.**



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Garden Notes April



The recent welcome warm rain and the amazing way that nature adapts to these changes has suddenly encouraged welcome thoughts about the days ahead with our gardening plans. In these rather extraordinary times we are

living through, our normal gardening must also adapt and, more importantly, continue to be enjoyed by us all!

The one thing that I think we can all recognise is the extraordinary way plants of all sorts, both 'treasures' and weeds, adapt to these changes and we in turn in our different ways should 'go with it'. I am not sure whether others feel as I do, but I have been finding myself 'potting up' spare bits when I have been 'cutting back' or moving plants obviously now in the wrong place and am often amazed at how quickly they adapt accordingly to their change of position! Our usual early bulbs this year have been a joy but I realise that I certainly have some in entirely the wrong place particularly 'height-wise' and I must be bolder sorting this out!

Continue to 'swap' plants with fellow gardening friends and again it is often surprising what grows well in our different gardens!

Happy Gardening in the weeks ahead!

Germander Speedwell

Jobs for April - April is a busy, high-growth month focused on preparing for summer.

Key jobs include

- ♦ Feed spring bulbs, plant summer bulbs (like lilies and dahlias),
- ♦ Mulch borders to retain moisture,
- ♦ Prune spring-flowering shrubs (e.g., forsythia) after they fade.
- ♦ Pinch out tips of fuchsias and sweet peas for bushier growth
- ♦ Sow hardy annuals directly outside, e.g. sunflowers and poppies
- ♦ Dig over vegetable plots, removing weeds and incorporating compost or manure.
- ♦ Start sowing hardy vegetables, divide perennials, and protect new growth from late frosts.
- ♦ Start tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers, and courgettes indoors or in a greenhouse.



Bayford

St. Mary's Church

Church Cleaner

Sandra Maniez & Andrea Trendler

BAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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

Meetings. Please check the website.

The next meeting is the 11th May. Annual Meeting, 8pm in the Memorial Hall.

Michael Wainwright, Chairman. 01707 875970.

clerk@bayfordparishcouncil.org.uk

Bell's Wood Sara Saunders Head of Planning at EHC, has still not replied to our multiple requests for a Zoom meeting about the outstanding Certificate of Lawfulness application. The central issue is the number of mobile homes allowed on the site.

Friends of The Baker Arms. A revised planning application has been submitted by McM. The PC and FOBA have posted letters on the website, broadly in support of the revised application. We recognise this application is not ideal, but we consider it to be the best we are likely to obtain. It does address a number of issues raised by us, and others, in particular the width of the footway, and customer parking.

Prof. Alan Wilson, FRS. We are deeply saddened and shocked by the news of the death of Alan Wilson, when his light aircraft crashed in Namibia. His research into animal locomotion, conducted over many years, at the RVC and in Africa, was of international importance. He was our neighbour at Broad Green Wood. He is survived by his wife Anna and children.

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**Remembering Terry Hayne
Bayford Church, Sunday 26th April**

Everyone is warmly invited to join us at Bayford Church for our 11am Family Service on Sunday 26 April. This will be a regular Sunday service, but it will also include a time to remember and give thanks for the life of our dear friend Terry, who passed away at the end of November last year.

Terry served faithfully as Churchwarden at Bayford for many years, and his dedication, kindness and steady presence meant a great deal to our church and local community. During the service we will share a few tributes, sing some of his favourite hymns, and give thanks for the contribution he made to so many lives.

All are very welcome to come and join us at 11am as we remember Terry together.
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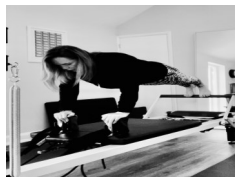
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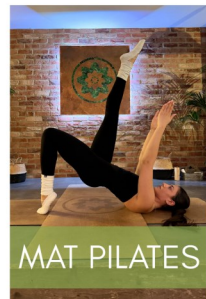
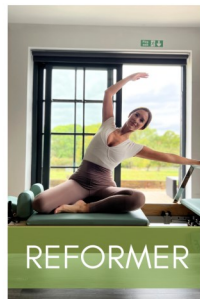
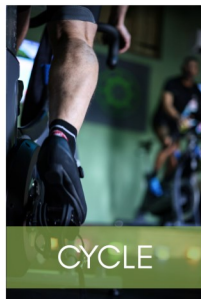
SPRING INTO APRIL WITH OUR WELLBEING CHALLENGE

As the fresh energy of Spring arrives, let it inspire your wellbeing.

Attend 12 classes or more during April and we'll enter you into our prize draw with 3 prizes to be awarded!

To help keep your motivation in flow, a scoreboard will be pinned up in The Pantry – simply add your name and set your intention of keeping up your wellbeing throughout April. We will be cheering you on!

Prize winners will be announced at the end of the month and contacted via email.



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Essendon Nature Notes

A dramatic burst of sound and then quiet. And then again. It was a total delight to hear a Cetti's warbler last week on Hartham Common in Hertford, the bird tucked away in scrubby hedges along the River Beane where it flows into the Lea. This bird is very difficult to see and the truth is it is not very exciting when you do but that doesn't matter because it is its song which is its defining feature. It is not the melody or the music but the unexpected loudness which stops you in your tracks. It is the avian equivalent of shouting and it certainly knows how to turn the volume up.



This small brown warbler is a very new visitor to our shores. It was unheard of in this country until the sixties and the first breeding pair in Hertfordshire was not until the late seventies. They stay all year round and they can be hard hit by cold winters but they are helped, I guess, by our increasingly warm climate - fortunately their numbers are rising and their distribution is rapidly expanding.

The bird is named in commemoration of an 18th century Italian Jesuit priest, Francesco Cetti, who was a mathematician and naturalist on the island of Sardinia. It is a long way from there to the River Beane and it has taken several hundred years to get here but hopefully a few more seasons and they will travel a few more miles and finally reach our village and the streams and damp places they like. Something to shout about.
DC

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY -SATURDAY 23RD MAY

PS I am hosting a guided nature walk in Essendon on **Saturday 23rd May** on behalf of the Friends of St Mary's. More details next month but if you are interested, then please hold the date.



Brickendon

Chapel of Holy Cross
& St. Alban

For enquiries concerning the Chapel, please contact
Virginia Haryott
01992 511575 or email
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Services

Easter Sunday – 5th April

**Parish Communion will be in
Bayford Church at 11.15 am**

19th April

11.00am Family Service

3rd May

11.00am Parish Comunion

Altar Flowers

Cathy Gibbens

2nd April

Cathy Gibbens

9th April

Diana Abbott

16th April

Diana Abbott

23rd April

Church Cleaning

Janie Corbisiero

Amanda Davey

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

Parish Council Meetings

Next meeting : 21st May 2026

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Brickendon Liberty Parish Council
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Minutes: Brickendon website
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Contact Janet 01992 511515

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Trendler - 01992 511588

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Harriet Barton, 07944 500504
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Chapel of the Holy Cross & Saint Alban, Brickendon



The Chapel was built in 1932 on land donated by Minnie Kingsley and with funds given by Mrs Kingsley and her daughter Constance Demain Saunders. The chapel was consecrated on 27 May 1933 by the Bishop of Bedford. It is dedicated to the Holy Cross of Waltham, with which Brickendon has

historic links, and the patron saint of the diocese .

The history of the village goes back some nine centuries. In the year 1030 at Montacute in Somerset, a crucifix carved in black flint was discovered buried in a field as the result of a series of dreams experienced by a God-fearing blacksmith. The land was owned by Tovi the Proud, Standard bearer to King Canute. One of Tovi's many estates was at Waltham in Essex. According to legend, whilst many places were suggested for the safekeeping of the cross, the oxen refused to move until Tovi shouted Waltham, and so the cross came to Tovi's hunting lodge in the forest at Waltham near the River Lea. Here Tovi built a small wooden church for the cross which had already, apparently, acquired a reputation for the power of healing during its long journey.

Tovi's son, Athelstan, lost many of his possessions, among them Waltham which was given to Earl Harold by King Edward the Confessor. Later, Harold recovered from a serious illness after praying before the cross, and set about the enrichment of the church of Waltham and the foundation of Tovi, bestowing 18 manors including the manor of Brikendune (Brickendon) and the greater part of the Brickendonbury estate, became ecclesiastical property. In the 12th century Brickendon became a "Liberty" when King Henry II confirmed ownership of the manor to Waltham Abbey . The Liberty included "freedom from geld and toll and the forfeitures of criminals"

This Chapel was named the Chapel of the Holy Cross and St Alban on account of its close connection with the Abbey of Waltham Holy Cross, the former owners of the site and St Alban, the patron Saint of the Diocese. It stands on the east end of three fields known as Farthings or Fardens. The field where the Chapel is built , now known as the Church Field, belonged to the Old Hacketts Farm, part of the manor of Brikendune. Parts of the estate were sold in 1883 to local business man Henry Wilson Demain Saunders . His widow Minnie remarried Arthur Henry Kingsley in 1892 . Mrs Kingsley provided funds for the building of the chapel which was completed by her daughter, Constance Demain Saunders. It was designed by W F Haslip. The timber was cut from trees on the estate and it was stipulated it should be built by men of Brickendon.



Essendon, Woodhill, Wild Hill & Woodside

St. Mary the Virgin

Flower Rota April

4th & 11th Pam Worsley
18th & 25th Sara Walduck



Essendon Parish Council

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 14 April, followed by the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) on Tuesday 28 April 2026.

Both meetings will be held in Essendon Village Hall and will begin at 7pm. Agendas are published during the week before each meeting on the Parish Council website: www.essendonparishcouncil.gov.uk and displayed on the village noticeboards. Minutes will be uploaded to the website shortly after each meeting. Residents are warmly encouraged to attend. If you have questions or comments, you can contact the Clerk at clerk@essendonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Councillors can be reached either via the Clerk or directly by email; their contact details are listed on the Parish Council website under "Councillors".

Essendon Annual Parish Meeting – Everyone Welcome! Tuesday 28th April, 7pm Main Hall, Essendon Village Hall

We warmly invite all residents to this year's Essendon Annual Parish Meeting, a chance for the whole community to come together, hear what's been happening locally, and share ideas for the year ahead.

Representatives from many of the organisations that help shape village life will be invited to take part, including St. Mary's Church, Essendon Primary School, Essendon Country Club, the Field Committee, the Police, and Gascoyne Estates, along with Welwyn and Hatfield Borough Councillor Mr Mark Short and our MP, Mr Andrew Lewin. It's a valuable opportunity to hear updates directly, ask questions, and celebrate the work happening across our parish.

Come and have your say

Essendon Connect

We are open every Friday morning in the Village Hall from 9.30-11.30 for free tea, coffee, cake and lots of chat. All residents welcome. Give us a try!



ESSENDON W.I

Wednesday 15th April at the Village Hall. Essendon WI will

welcome speaker **Adam Smith** to the

April meeting. Adam's talk is "**Country House Servants**"

If you would like to attend as a guest or consider joining the WI please call Lyn McCash, 07971 909540, for further information.

the WI
INSPIRING WOMEN



Judd playing his harmonica

A Lifetime in Music and Still Going Strong!

was the title of the talk given to Essendon WI at their March meeting which many local residents attended. Essendon resident, **Judd Lander**, captivated his audience with stories of the music scene and his part of the Mersey Beat scene in the 60s and 70s. He performed with the Hideaways and also participated with many musicians including Paul McCartney, Annie Lennox and Madness. As a session musician he became involved in Motown and over many

years worked with artists too many to list. Later, Judd moved into the world of television and PR and is still closely immersed in the industry.

Essendon Tennis Courts

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or

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essendonvillagehall



The village hall is available for use by village
residents and organisations. It can be hired by residents or non- residents for
events, parties, weddings and other celebrations. There is a kitchen and it has
facilities for the disabled.

Current regular events at the village hall

MONDAY Pilates 7pm-8pm Contact Keti 07718 386 195

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 Keti 07718 386 195

FRIDAY Essendon Connect Coffee and Chat 9.30-11.30 am

Contact Cas 07831 341 886

Cooking Ideas by Ruth Newton

Fruit Tea Loaf

This is a light version of a fruit cake that is almost guilt free as it does not contain any fat! Whilst it is delicious eaten on its own, you can spread it with butter, or even eat it with cheese. A lovely tea time treat.

Hint: You will need to soak the fruit overnight or for at least 4 hours.

You can choose any combination of fruit you like, such as sultanas, raisins, cranberries, and apricots in equal portions. Another combination is sultanas, currants, soft-pitted dates and soft-pitted prunes, but you can make it up with whatever you have got.



Ingredients:

450gr/16oz dried fruit (see above)

170gr/6oz demerara sugar

1 cup of strong tea (without the milk!). About 260ml

225gr/8oz self-raising flour

1 medium to large egg

Grated rind of 1 orange

Optional:

25gr/1oz butter

1tbls caster sugar

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East Herts Council has partnered with award-winning meal planning platform FiveDinners.com, founded by TV chef and author Theo Michaels, to help households across East Hertfordshire cook healthier meals, save money and reduce food waste.

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2. Which USA state name ends in three vowels?
- 3 The Latin phrase for "dew of the Sea" is the origin of the name of which modern day herb.
- 4 On the Mohs scale of mineral hardness, which minerals are the Hardest (rating 10) and softest (rating 1)
5. Which global event is celebrated each year on 8th March?
- 6 In Roman times what was the Ides of March?
- 7 Which famous British band released their first single, "Love me do", in the UK on 5 October 1962
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2 Hawaii 3. Rosemary 4. Diamond (10), Talc (1) 5. International women's day 6. A deadline for settling debts 7. The Beatles 8 Nike
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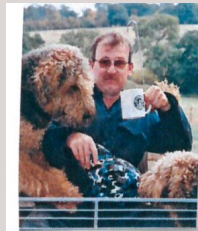
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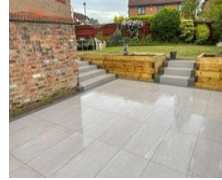
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