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Dear all,

In Matthew 10, Jesus sent His disciples out to the villages with clear instructions and He gave them power and authority. It was this power of God that they carried that distinguished the disciples from everyone else, although they were ordinary men. Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 4:7: "...but we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us." Their confidence did not rest in themselves but in God. They had the authority to heal, deliver, and minister in His name. However, for God's power to be revealed, the environment had to be one of welcome.

Jesus also instructed them not to worry about what they would say when facing difficult situations, because the right words would be given to them. For the ministry they carried to bear fruit, they needed to be welcomed and received. The power and authority they carried was in welcoming the disciples. In doing so, people were welcoming Jesus Himself. As Matthew 10:40 says: "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me."

We live in a busy world where many people are conscious of time and use it carefully. Although we may want to open our lives to welcome others, there can be fears about the commitment involved, as hospitality often comes at a cost. Yet there is also a great reward.

In our own community, we have various gatherings, such as coffee mornings, which encourage people to come together. At these gatherings, people from the local community and beyond are warmly welcomed. These groups continue to grow because people invite one another and experience genuine fellowship.

In June, we were delighted to welcome some of the pupils, staff, and parents from one of our local schools to our Family Service in Bayford. The children took an active part in the service, the Community Choir was present and sang hymns.

It was well attended and greatly encouraging, bringing great joy to our parishioners to see the church with many people, young and old alike. The church opened its arms to welcome the community, and those who attended felt included and valued. We give glory to God for His presence throughout the service, and for the fellowship that followed.

On the same Sunday, a Holy Communion service was held at Little Berkhamsted, where the Anglican Shona Group was welcomed. Local people came in good numbers to worship alongside their brothers and sisters in Christ. In a few words - the presence of God in that Service was evident.

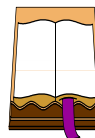
As Christ's disciples, we recognise that God has sent us, and wherever we are welcomed, God releases His power. Perhaps there is someone reading this who has not yet come to faith and is saying, "I want to, but I cannot." On our own, we are unable. But you can begin today by opening your heart and welcoming Jesus. As we welcome Him into our lives, we discover the transforming power of His Presence.

Reverend Theresa Musiwacho

PARISH REGISTER

Baptism

Name	Date	Community
Francis Alexander Wright	5 th July 2026	Ponsbourne
Williams Terence Wright	5 th July 2026	Ponsbourne
Abbie Jane Wright	5 th July 2026	Ponsbourne
Archie Martin Wallace Symons	12 th July 2026	Little Berkhamsted



Death

Name	Date	Community
Keith Venables	27th June 2026	Essendon
Elizabeth Grey	1st July 2026	Essendon

Interment of Ashes

Name	Date	Community
Rita Pallett	4th July 2026	Essendon

August 2026 Calendar

Sunday 2nd August

10:15 Group Parish Communion Essendon

Sunday 9th August

10:15 Group Parish Communion Bayford

Sunday 16th August

10:15 Group Parish Communion Ponsbourne

Sunday 23rd August

10:15 Group Parish Communion Little Berkhamsted

Sunday 30th August

10:15 Group Parish Communion Brickendon

Sunday 6th September

09:30 Parish Communion Essendon
 09:30 Family Service Ponsbourne
 11:00 Parish Communion Brickendon

Sunday 13th September

09:30 Parish Communion Bayford
 11:00 Family Service Little Berkhamsted

Wednesdays

09:30 Holy Communion, Essendon, followed by coffee

Prayer share

Almighty God, pour out your spirit and give us grace through your Holy Spirit to be able to do those good things which we are unable to do. We pray all this through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen**



Notes From the Editor

Welcome to the August issue. As I write this, I am sitting on a balcony in Greece looking at the sea! Usually, friends in the UK envy me the warmth here, but this year it is cooler than in the UK—and so they are still envying me! This month we have a new series starting of occasional articles on dealing with damp in houses. This month it is on “Rising damp” - see page 16. Future articles will look at black mould, common damp myths and looking after older homes.

The series on local history will return in the Autumn.

Enjoy the sun while it lasts—soon we will be complaining it is cold and rainy!

What to do with the children in the summer holidays.

A selection of websites offering ideas and suggestions for low cost or free activities.

<https://onewelhat.gov.uk>

One of the 'one welhat' initiatives is 'The Big Summer' which runs between 27th July and 16th August. A programme of free and low cost activities for children in the Welwyn Hatfield area.

<https://smudgedpostcard.com>

A great selection of ideas and venues for free and inexpensive days out with toddlers in Hertfordshire. There are also a great range of other family travel adventures described in other locations eg Cornwall, London..

<https://eventbrite.co.uk>

A range of events and places to visit in Hertfordshire with free or low cost activities.

[https://The 10 best free things to do in Hertfordshire](https://The10bestfreethings todo in Hertfordshire)

Happy camp in Welwyn Hatfield offer funded holiday activities including sports, arts and a hot meal for children aged 4 to 16. These camps are reserved for families who are registered for benefits related free school meals.

This is just a small section of the information available.

Keith Venables

The funeral will take place on 20th August at 1.30 pm in Essendon church or 12:45-13:00 at the house if you wish to follow the hearse. The family have suggested wearing traditional black with a touch of burgundy if you wish.

Events..... dates for your diary

Little Berkhamsted St Andrews Churchyard Sale 22nd August 10:00-14:00

Celtic Camp August dates : Summer adventures camp, 4-5th, Archery and Axe throwing, 15-16th & Celtic Warrior days 7,10,14,21st Page 29

Isobel Charity Golf Day 8th September, Essendon Country Club page 35

Sponsored Bike n' Hike Event 12th September Brickendon page 15 & Ponsbourne page 35

Little Berkhamsted Macmillan coffee morning 25 September



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August garden jobs— *Germander Speedwell will be back in the Autumn*

Prune Lavender and roses and dead head perennials

Keep watering pots and hanging baskets and crops

Sow hardy annuals in sunny spots and plant autumn bulbs

Pinch out tops of outside tomato plants as any flowers and fruit won't have time to ripen

Sow hardy crops such as land cress, rocket and lettuce leaves for winter

Harvest fresh herbs to freeze in ice cubes for winter use, or dry and store

Pour water over the greenhouse floor every morning to increase humidity

Harvest tomatoes, cucumbers, courgettes, & chillies, regularly

Plant autumn flowering bulbs

Plant potato tubers in tubs in a greenhouse or cool porch, for Christmas

Extract from an earlier parish magazine—courtesy of Susan Rees **May 1903 - The Parish Pump.**

The Parish Pump house has been removed by order of the Parish Council. Many will regret the disappearance of this which, since its erection 20 years ago, has justly been regarded as one of the picturesque objects of the village. It was just that since the introduction of the new water supply, the pump has become useless. It was quite out of repair and the whole structure, very dilapidated, it would have been a considerable expense to repair and keep it so. Besides, it had become a resort to the noisy elements of the village.



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August cleaning rota
Charli Caleb

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

Meetings.

Please check the web-site.

The next meeting is the 14th September at 8pm in Memorial Hall.

Michael Wainwright , Chairman. 01707 875970.

clerk@bayfordparishcouncil.org.uk

Bell's Wood

We are still awaiting a follow up Teams meeting with Sara Saunders Head of Planning at EHC following the more positive discussion on 15th April.

Meanwhile, I understand that EHC has issued a new license for 12 units.

Charlie Barton attended the PC meeting and was categorical that his previous licenses are all valid.

Friends of the Baker Arms.

The revised planning application submitted by McM was declined by EHDC chiefly due to the perceived impact of the new house in the car park on the listed pub building. We now need to wait and see what McM will do next: update the plans or appeal. The Bakers has been boarded up, no doubt a statement by McM.

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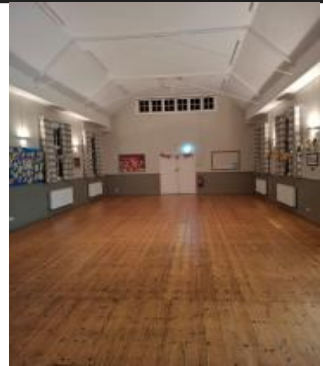
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Essendon Nature Notes

Despite the fact that we are now in high summer it was surprising to see some new growth on a stretch of hedgerow in Howe Green which had been completely bare as though we were still in winter's icy grip.



Ermine moth web on hedgerow

Earlier in the year these bushes had been stripped of leaves and a ghostly and sinister white shroud enveloped them. It really was a remarkable sight but indeed it can be a fairly common one as you walk about the countryside. Nonetheless, this patch of denuded hedgerow was more extensive than I have seen anywhere else. The culprit is the small ermine moth caterpillar which produces these vast silken webs covering the hawthorn and blackthorn like Miss Havisham's wedding feast.

We rarely see the adult moths as they fly at night but they are an attractive species, white with black spots all over, like the ermine which gives them their name, as in days past, the black tip of the tail of the otherwise pure-white winter stoat was sown into the furs



Adult ermine moth



Ermine moth caterpillars in the communal web

to show off how many individuals had been used in their making. It is perhaps ironic that a moth which takes its name from something which is the epitome of luxury and warmth and richness should have caterpillars which are the cause of such barren and cold devastation.

Once you have seen these skeleton-like hedgerows it is hard to believe the caterpillars have not killed them off beyond recovery and that is why it was reassuring to see the green fresh leaves coming back in such abundance. This process is simply part of nature's extraordinary cycle and next year, rather than

mourning the scene I will look forward expectantly to this second spring.
DC

Photo Puzzle —can you identify & locate this?

Answer page 38





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23rd August 10:15 Group Communion Little B
30th August 10:15 Group Communion **Brickendon**

Altar Flowers

Janet Burger
Janet Burger
Judith Pearson
Judith Pearson
Judith Pearson

30th (July)
6th August
13th August
20th August
27th August

Church Cleaning

Alison Blakey
" "
Virginia Haryott
" "
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Parish Council Meetings

The council usually meets on the 4th Thursday of alternate months. Forthcoming meetings will be **24 September, 26 November.**

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Date for your diaries!

12th September it is the Sponsored Bike 'n Hike event.

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Is It Really Rising Damp?

The first of a series of articles concerning damp issues in the home

Many homeowners are understandably concerned when they discover a damp patch on an internal wall or notice paint beginning to blister or peel. A common assumption is that the problem must be rising damp. In reality, however, damp can have several different causes, many of which produce remarkably similar symptoms.

One of the biggest mistakes homeowners can make is treating the visible symptom rather than identifying the underlying cause. While a damp patch may look straightforward, the correct solution depends entirely on where the moisture is coming from.

Condensation is one of the most common causes of damp, particularly during the colder months. Everyday activities such as cooking, showering and drying clothes indoors release moisture into the air. When this warm, moisture-laden air comes into contact with colder surfaces, water droplets form, often leading to mould growth around windows, external walls and in the corners of rooms.

Penetrating damp is another common problem and occurs when water enters a building from outside. This can result from damaged roof coverings, cracked render, deteriorated pointing, leaking gutters or defective down-pipes. Unlike condensation, penetrating damp often appears as isolated patches that become more noticeable during or after periods of prolonged rainfall.

Plumbing leaks can also create damp patches that closely resemble other forms of damp. A small leak hidden behind a wall or beneath a floor may remain unnoticed for some time before staining or damage becomes visible. Even where rising damp is present, it is not always the only issue affecting a property. Older buildings may also experience moisture problems caused by high external ground levels, bridged damp-proof courses or alterations that prevent walls from drying naturally.

A good example is a damp patch beneath a bedroom window. At first glance it might appear to be rising damp, but the actual cause could be condensation, defective pointing, failed window sealant, a leaking gutter above or even a plumbing defect. Although the symptoms may appear similar, each problem requires a different solution.

This is why accurate diagnosis is so important. Carrying out the wrong remedial work can be both costly and frustrating if the underlying cause has not been properly identified. Once the source of moisture has been correctly identified, the appropriate remedial work can be carried out to resolve the problem effectively and help prevent it from returning.

Continued /

Many homes throughout Hertfordshire, London, Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire were built using traditional materials that behave very differently from modern construction. Older solid-walled properties often manage moisture in ways that require a sympathetic approach, and solutions that are appropriate for one property may not be suitable for another.

If you notice signs of damp, mould, peeling decorations or persistent musty odours, seeking professional advice at an early stage can often prevent minor problems from developing into more extensive and costly repairs. Establishing the true cause is the first step towards selecting the most effective remedial solution and protecting your home for the future.

Did You Know?

A damp patch on an internal wall could have several different causes. Condensation, penetrating damp, leaking gutters, plumbing leaks and rising damp can all produce similar symptoms—but each requires a different remedy. That's why accurate diagnosis is so important before any remedial work is carried out.

About the Author

Andy Laurence is Director of Damp Tech Hertfordshire Ltd, specialists in damp surveys, timber surveys and remedial damp and timber treatments serving Hertfordshire, London, Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire. The company helps homeowners identify the causes of moisture problems and carries out appropriate remedial works to protect and preserve their properties.



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Essendon Parish Council – September Meeting

Essendon Parish Council's next full meeting will take place on **8th September** at 7pm in Essendon Village Hall. As always, residents are warmly encouraged to come along, listen in, and take part in the life of our village.

The agenda for the meeting will be published during the week beforehand on the Parish Council website www.essendonparishcouncil.gov.uk and displayed on the village noticeboard. Minutes of previous meetings are also available online, offering an easy way to keep up to date with the issues being discussed and the decisions being made at parish council meetings.

If there is a matter you would like the Council to consider at a future meeting, you can contact the Clerk by emailing clerk@essendonparishcouncil.gov.uk.

ESSENDON WI In July, **Colin Parker, Essex and Herts Air Ambulance**, spoke about the charity's aim to save lives and

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THURSDAY	Pilates 9.30-10.30 Contact Ket 07718 386 195
FRIDAY	Essendon Connect Coffee and Chat 9.30-11.30 am
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Cooking Ideas by Ruth Newton

Vanilla Ice Cream with Butterscotch Sauce

As the summer months reach their full height, here is an easy 'no churn' ice cream to have on standby in the freezer. It will suit any occasion, whether as a simple dessert or scooped into a wafer – just don't think too much about the calories!

I have used vanilla as the base for this ice cream, but also included a few alternatives as well – once you have got the basic mixture made, you can play around with your favourite flavours. I hesitate to say how many people this will serve, but at least four to eight, but it depends how much you like ice cream!



Ingredients:

For the ice cream 300ml double cream 397g tin of condensed milk 1 fresh vanilla pod, or 2tsp vanilla bean paste

For the butterscotch sauce: 50g/2oz butter 50g/2oz soft brown sugar 50g/2oz golden syrup 75ml/2½flox double cream

Method:

For the ice cream: Pour the cream into a large bowl and whisk using an electric hand whisk until soft peaks have formed. Tip in the condensed milk and gently whisk to combine. If you are using a fresh vanilla pod, split it lengthways with a sharp knife, and using the tip of the knife, scrape out all the seeds and add them to the mixture. Gently stir them through to make sure they are distributed throughout the ice cream. Alternatively, add two teaspoons of vanilla bean paste to the bowl and stir to combine. Spoon into a 1 litre/1¾ pint freezer-proof container and freeze for 8 to 12 hours or overnight.

For the butterscotch sauce: Place the butter, brown sugar, and golden syrup into a small saucepan on a medium heat to melt - bring to a gentle simmer. Remove from the heat and stir in the double cream. Use straight away or leave to cool – it can eaten warm or cold. When you are ready to use, take the ice cream out of the freezer for half an hour to slightly soften. Serve with the butterscotch sauce drizzled over.

Variations: Keep the vanilla flavour in, but add a handful of dark/milk/white chocolate chips to the mixture. * Leave out the vanilla but add two tablespoons of lemon curd and the grated zest of half a lemon.* If you like rum and raisin, bring 150g/5½oz of raisins in 50ml/3fl oz rum (or orange juice) to a boil in a saucepan, then remove from the heat and leave to soak for a couple of hours before adding to the mixture. * For a fruity flavour, blitz 200g/8oz of strawberries with a tablespoon of icing sugar into a smooth puree and swirl into the mixture.

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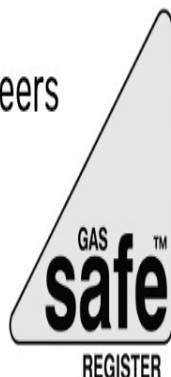
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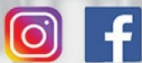
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August Quiz - Answers on page 38 Brain teaser - Answer next month.
Photo Quiz—see page 5

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1. What strange coincidence links President Lincoln at the time of his assassination to President Kennedy?
2. What is the name of the dot over the letters i and j?
3. Which is the most populated country in the world?
4. Who is Paul Simon's song Cecelia written about?
5. Kimchi is a traditional fermented food from which country?
6. True or false: Because it is made of metal, the Eiffel Tower can grow a little taller during the summer months due to thermal expansion.
7. What are the three zodiac signs associated with the summer season (covering June, July, and August)?
8. Which fictional USA town was terrorized by a great white shark in *Jaws*?

Brain Teaser: As I am writing this looking over at one of the Mount Olympus' in Greece here is a teaser with a Greek flavour.

Can you name the Greek gods of Olympus – King, Queen, Sea, Fertility, Wisdom, Sun, the Hunt, War, Blacksmith, Love, the Messenger, Wine, Hearth & Underworld. Bonus points if you know the Roman names as well!

Photo puzzle — see page 13

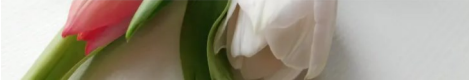


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Brain teaser from July issue : 23 English counties ending in SHIRE: Bedfordshire, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Cambridgeshire, Cheshire, Cumbria, Derbyshire, East Riding of Yorkshire, Gloucestershire, Hampshire, Herefordshire, Hertfordshire, Lancashire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire, Oxfordshire, Shropshire, South Yorkshire, Staffordshire, Warwickshire, West Yorkshire, Wiltshire, Worcestershire

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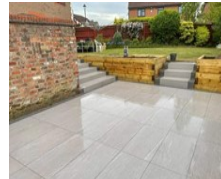
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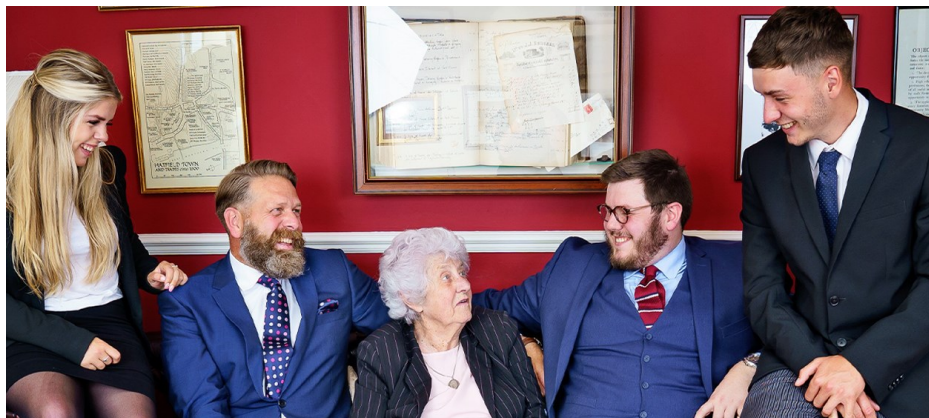
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