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## Rector's Article.

**D**ear All

### Harvest

British harvest has been considered a reason for celebration for many years. I am told it was once a great festival with parades through out almost every village. Tradition would include making a corn doll out of the last harvested sheath as well as offering thanks for the end of the season. By then a successful harvest meant that people would be fed and looked after well. Poor harvest meant months of hardships or famine. Although some have lost the essence of the season, harvest is still important to many counties. The other reason for celebrating the season is to boost the domestic consumption of what is grown.

However, in our contexts Harvest season is celebrated in style by the three schools and also the Church and the community. The schools normally gather at their community Church with School staff, pupils , parents and governors to thank God for his goodness. The church will be decorated with beautiful autumn flowers and sometimes fruits. The services are normally led by school pupils guided by the staff. Different classes will display their works. It is also an amazing opportunity for pupils to do their reflections, poems, prayers of thanksgiving and singing harvest songs/hymns.

What is very touching is that, in their prayers the pupils will always remember those who are less privileged and give thanks for farmers and homes to live in. Most pupils also

contribute towards Bishop's Harvest Appeal.

Church celebrates harvest by giving in kind and money. As an act of caring some donations goes to different charities and the foodbanks (some to help people in our communities). The talks in Church are of (Thankfulness). These Church services normally end with Harvest lunch or supper, where the Church and the community meet in fellowship and celebrate the event over food.

The story of the Ten lepers in Luke 17:11-19 is one of the stories which is sometimes referred to during the harvest talks. Where Jesus upon entering a certain village was met with ten lepers who were miraculously healed and only one came back to thank Jesus. Then Jesus asked him "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? 18 Did none of them return to give glory to God..."

I wonder what the season means to us. Probably to some this is a time to personally look back and give thanks to God.

Revd Theresa Musiwacho



## Prayer Share

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen



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### Weddings, Baptisms and other matters.

**Saturday Registration** is held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of each month at 10.00 am to 11.30 am in Little Berkhamsted Church.

No appointment necessary

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### “CHURCH OF ENGLAND PARISHES CLOSE AT RECORD RATE”

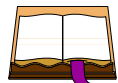
According to a report in The Telegraph, Church of England parishes are closing at record rate. This works out as an average of 56 fewer parishes every year and marks the fastest rate of parish closures in 70 years.

Christians now account for less than half of England and Wales’ population for the first time in census history, according to the latest Office for National Statistics (ONS) data, released in November.

Churchgoers failed to return to services following the pandemic. In 2021, the average Sunday church attendance was 509,200 across the country – up from 297,600 in 2020 but significantly down on the 707,100 recorded in 2019. In contrast, in 1995, the usual Sunday attendance was almost 1.1 million.

On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2021, a gathering was held in St Bartholomew the Great, London’s oldest parish church, to launch a campaign to “**Save the Parish**”.

The evening began with prayers for Archbishops Welby and Cottrell. A campaign was then launched with people committing pledging to resist plans to redirect money away from parochial ministry, and to resist any further centralisation of power and authority away from parishes and towards dioceses and the central church.



## PARISH REGISTER

### Death

29<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Carole Jennifer SWAIN  
(77 years)

Bayford

### Interment of ashes

21<sup>st</sup> August 2023

Jill Shelson MARQUES  
RIP 10. 06. 2022 (Aged 90 years)

Little Berkhamsted

# OCTOBER CALENDAR

## Sunday 1st October, Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

## Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October, Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am Parish Communion, Bayford  
11:00 am Family Service Little Berkhamsted

## Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October, Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

10:15 am Group Conformation Service, Ponsbourne

## Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Little Berkhamsted  
11:00 am Family Service Bayford

## Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October, Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am, Family Service Essendon  
11:00 am Family Service Brickendon

## Wednesdays

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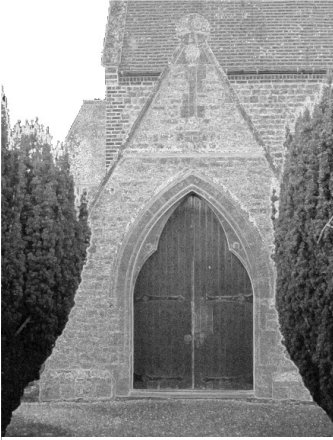
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## Bayford St. Mary's Church

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

### **CHURCH CLEANING OCTOBER**

9<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. Gill Finnessey and Sally Cunnane

### **FLOWERS**

### **BAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

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

### **The Baker Arms**

The matter of the ACV should be decided on 18th September by EHDC. We now have the additional matter of the Right of Way through the pub car park. We hope to resolve this matter. Several options are available. And will be discussed at the meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **Carole Swain.**

Les, Tina and Michael Swain would like to say a heartfelt thank you to all who came to the funeral service of their late wife and mum, at St Mary's, Bayford on the 16<sup>th</sup> August.

It was overwhelming to see the church so full of friends and neighbours showing their support to us and paying their respects to Carole. With the funeral collection and online donations a total of £760 was raised

for the Isabel Hospice. They provided outstanding care for Carole, and we are truly so grateful to be able to give this to such a wonderful charity.

### **Meetings.**

**4<sup>th</sup> December, Monday**

Please check the web site.

Michael Wainwright (Dr),  
Chairman.

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### **The Knitting Group**

The knitting group now meets at the Farmer's Boy. We're starting our Christmas projects so if you'd like to be involved, please join us on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 8pm.

Please call **Caroline Fletcher on 07919 317212** for more details.

## The Baker Arms



### Community support behind a bright future for Baker Arms

News of the sudden departure of Baker Arms landlords ,Martin and Bev, was met by a strong show of support from the village and beyond at the closing nights and a subsequent Parish Council meeting.

There has been a pub on the site for over 200 years. It one of the last true village amenities, the post office, shop and blacksmith having departed long ago

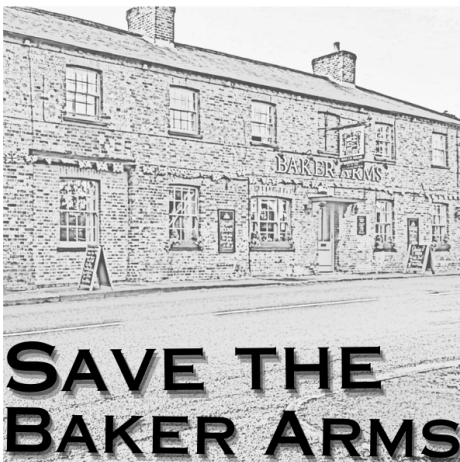
### ACV Registration for the Baker Arms

We have applied for ACV (Asset of Community Value) registration for the pub. This gives us six weeks from the announcement of the sale of the pub to decide if we want to make an offer. The offer need not be accepted by the owner. We then have six months to complete the process. So this is by no means a 'silver bullet' . MW.

A working group has now been formed to explore options for a viable future for the pub.

Whatever the way forward, your support for the Baker Arms will be crucial to its success. We intend to hold a public engagement event in the Autumn; please stand by for updates and meanwhile any ideas or queries are welcome; please address them to me.

Oliver Riley, Chair,  
Friends of the Baker Arms.



### Have your say on the future of Bayford's village pub!

We'd like your views ...

- Fill out our questionnaire and share your ideas (find at: [bit.ly/3t0N2s5](https://bit.ly/3t0N2s5) or scan QR code below)
- Join us for a drink from 7pm on Friday 20th Oct (details available soon via social media)
- Contact us: [hello@friendsofbakerarms.org](mailto:hello@friendsofbakerarms.org)
- Follow us on social media (@FriendsOfBakerArms)



## Bayford

### Hertford Symphony Orchestra

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November** (conductor Daniel Hogan) Ware Drill Hall 7.45pm  
This wonderful concert includes **Mozart's Clarinet concerto** and Mahler Symphony No.1

Conductor Daniel Hogan (currently studying for a professional diploma at the Royal Academy of Music) has worked with HSO on several concerts over the past year or two and we are delighted to welcome him back for this concert.

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December** (conductor Jonathan Mann) Ware Drill Hall 3pm  
**HSO Christmas Spectacular** – our programme is yet to be confirmed but it will include carols and Christmas music to be sure! This is a great event for all the family and a lovely introduction to orchestral music.

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March** (conductor Jonathan Mann) **The Old Palace, Hatfield House** time (evening) tbc

Verdi La Forza del Destino Overture, Hummel Trumpet concerto and Brahms Symphony No. 4

HSO is honoured to have been invited to perform at The Old Palace, Hatfield House and looks forward to a wonderful concert which will hopefully be prefaced with a special pre-concert reception featuring chamber music and wine! (Watch this space for more information!)

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May** (conductor Michal Oren) Ware Drill Hall 7.45pm  
Mozart Marriage of Figaro Overture, Hindemith Mathis der Maher, and Mendelsohn Symphony No. 3

This is Michal's debut with HSO - she came to the UK last year to study and worked with us as a dep for a rehearsal last season. We thought she was amazing and are thrilled that she has agreed to work with us for this concert!

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June** (conductor Jonathan Mann) two performances 2pm and 3.15pm

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### Sunday Services

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5<sup>th</sup> October - Group Parish Communion at Ponsbourne at 10.15am

9<sup>th</sup> October – Family Service at 11.00am

5<sup>th</sup> November - Parish Communion at 11.00am

### Flowers

Janet Burger  
Cathy Gibbons

### October

29<sup>th</sup> Sep, 6<sup>th</sup> Oct  
13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> Oct

### Cleaning

Alison Blakey  
Tessa Whilow

### Brickendon Clubs:

We have some excellent clubs in Brickendon which are always happy to welcome new members.

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### Fanshaws Room

(the Village Hall)

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## Parish Council

### Meetings

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

### Meetings:

28<sup>th</sup> September

23<sup>rd</sup> November



By coincidence, last week, I spotted two tractors, in different locations, made by firms more often associated with faster means of transport.. On the left is a David Brown, later owner of Aston Martin Lagonda. On the right a Porsche 'Junior'.

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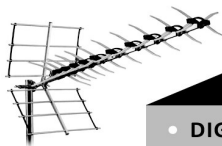


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**29<sup>th</sup> October,** Family Service at Essendon

## Friends of St Mary's Essendon

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## ESSENDON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The speaker at the October Essendon W.I. meeting will be Steve Lester whose talk is entitled

### "Insights of a Provincial Auctioneer".

Steve trained formally as a jeweller, ran his own jewellery business for over 25 years and controlled a number of provincial salerooms across Essex. His aim with all his talks is to entertain, inform, but not lecture his audience.



The meeting starts at 8.00 pm on the 18<sup>th</sup> October in the Village Hall and guests will be made very welcome

## Gardening in October

After the extraordinary warm weather of recent days it is time to take a deep breath and look carefully at your plans for the coming months and where to start?

There has been tremendous growth this year and, as I write this, it seems a good time to really see what has grown so much that it needs moving to a new position, also move what is not happy where it is. It is a very good time to move evergreen shrubs as long as long as the soil is moist and you must carefully dig the plant out with a really good root ball, firm it down well and plant it to the same depth as before, also carefully watering it in. Prune Blackberries and Loganberries and tie in new growth.

Divide perennials such as Hemerocallis (Daylily) and Delphiniums and replant. To prevent Rose Blackspot as much as you can, clear up fallen leaves and put them in your Green Bin and do some pre-winter pruning, cutting back Buddleias to prevent wind rock. Leave windfall apples for the birds but move them off the lawn and, whilst keeping it under control, leave Ivy as a useful late source of nectar for pollinators.

Keep 'dead-heading' your Dahlias as climate change has meant that October seems to be much milder than it was and they will continue to flower until the first real frost 'blackens' them. Be firm and cut right back removing the spent flowers and they will keep on trying to produce new ones.

Bring in your root vegetables lifting carrots and beetroot and carefully store them in a cool, dark frost-free place. Drain and store hoses and other garden equipment to protect them.

Germander Speedwell



## Essendon Nature Notes

Every morning of late, before the autumn mist has burnt away, a muntjac has been settling itself under the pear tree breakfasting on the fallen riches. I don't really mind the odd scrumping deer especially as a more intrusive glutton of the fruit, the wasp, often makes its presence felt. It is a dangerous game taking pears directly from the tree as here and there you find that an unseen black and yellow bandit has got there first. I know at some point a sting will be my forfeit for a lack of wariness and the price to pay for those pears.

Beside the tree is a compost heap that this year has been taken over by a wasp's nest. It is a constant reminder of my poor gardening as they favour sites which have not been kept turned and damp. However the other day I was shocked to find a massive hole in the heap and around the base lay the scattered fragments of the missing nest, papery hexagons with a delicate and fragile beauty. The only possible culprit of this brave hit and run is a badger, the massive claws and thick fur allowing it access to the fat grubs unperturbed. I can only imagine the chaotic scene that must have ensued as the badger ripped apart the nest with

hundreds of angry wasps stinging wildly in futility.

Wasps are a constant companion here with a couple of nests each year in the roof. Mostly they keep themselves to themselves and we should remember and celebrate the vital part they play in the local ecology controlling pests such as aphids and blackfly and their additional role as important pollinators. Nonetheless I have to secretly admit that my admiration and affection for badgers has just gone up a notch or two this autumn.

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## CHURCH CLEANING

7<sup>th</sup> October Margery Bailey

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## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY.

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 10:45 am

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## ALPACA WALKS

Many villagers who use the bridle path between the village and Henderson Place may well have seen the six Alpacas kept in fields to the west of the path or met Andrew, their keeper, who is often found coming and going from the field or chatting to people in the village. Andrew, who is an ex-resident of the village, has been keeping his Alpacas in Little Berkhamsted for over a year now, will soon be growing his herd and looking to start some Alpaca experiences and walks. If you are interested to know more or to be notified when the experiences and walks are ready to commence please fell free to call, message or email Andrew, [agreen@pemberton-group.co.uk](mailto:agreen@pemberton-group.co.uk) or **07538 857615**.

## News from Little Berkhamsted Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November** at 7.30pm in the village hall. The agenda is published on the website and village noticeboard the week before the meeting. Residents are welcome to attend the meeting to comment or ask in questions in person or to send them to the clerk beforehand. [clerk@littleberkhamsted.org.uk](mailto:clerk@littleberkhamsted.org.uk).

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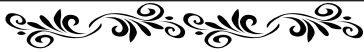
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**Village Chat** - WhatsApp group for people living in the village. To join the group contact 07710 507 215

**Village Pub Social** - 8pm the second Friday of every month in either The Crown or The Coach & Horses Pubs, come along to meet friends and make new ones. See Village Chat WhatsApp group or Village website for details.

### Post Office.

A small Post Office is open on Tuesday and Thursday mornings in the village hall.

## **The Bishop of Hertford, Jane Mainwaring**

is coming to The Hertford Hundred West Group on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> and will be preaching at the Group Communion Service in St. Mary Ponsbourne at 10.15am.

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