

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

April/May/June 2024			* Dial 03306060403 from any phone (free). Enter access code 568124. Press # key
Sun	28	9:30 am 11:00 am 6:30 pm	PARISH COMMUNION AT LITTLE BERKHAMSTED FAMILY SERVICE AT BAYFORD Evensong at Essendon
Wed	1	9:30 am 10:00 am	HOLY COMMUNION AT ESSENDON Telephone Service*
Sat	4	10-11:30am	Registration at Little Berkhamsted
Sun	5	9:30 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	PARISH COMMUNION AT ESSENDON FAMILY SERVICE AT PONSBOURNE PARISH COMMUNION AT BRICKENDON
Wed	8	9:30 am 10:00 am	HOLY COMMUNION AT ESSENDON Telephone Service*
Sun	12	9:30 am 11:00 am	PARISH COMMUNION AT BAYFORD FAMILY SERVICE AT LITTLE BERKHAMSTED
Wed	15	9:30 am 10:00 am	HOLY COMMUNION AT ESSENDON Telephone Service*
Sat	18	10-11:30 am	Registration at Little Berkhamsted
Pentecost Sun	19	9:30 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	PARISH COMMUNION AT PONSBOURNE FAMILY SERVICE AT ESSENDON FAMILY SERVICE AT BRICKENDON
Wed	22	9:30 am 10:00 am	HOLY COMMUNION AT ESSENDON Telephone Service*
Sun	26	9:30 am 11:00 am 6:30 pm	PARISH COMMUNION AT LITTLE BERKHAMSTED FAMILY SERVICE AT BAYFORD Evensong at Essendon
Wed	29	9:30 am 10:00 am	HOLY COMMUNION AT ESSENDON Telephone Service*
Sat	1	10-11:30 am	Registration at Little Berkhamsted
Sun	2	9:30 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	PARISH COMMUNION AT ESSENDON FAMILY SERVICE AT PONSBOURNE PARISH COMMUNION AT BRICKENDON

St Mary's Church Ponsbourne is open Wednesdays 9:30am -12:30 pm
Registration on 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month 10:00 am to 11.30 am
at Little Berkhamsted Church. (Any enquiries of weddings, baptisms, funerals
etc you are welcome)

A group for Mums and Babies for a coffee and chat on Tuesday mornings
10:00 – 11.30am. The group meets at Little Berkhamsted Church.

Bible Study. Thursdays 7pm. For information contact Trish McKellar at
mckellartrish@gmail.com

HARTFORD HUNDRED WEST GROUP



*St Mary's – Bayford,
Holy Cross & St Alban – Brickendon,
St Mary the Virgin – Essendon,
St Andrew's – Little Berkhamsted,
St Mary – Ponsbourne.*

Sunday 28 April 2024

9:30 am Parish Communion Service at Little Berkhamsted
11:00 am Family Service at Bayford
6:30 pm Evensong at Essendon

Events mid-week

Wed 1 May at 9:30 am Holy Communion at Essendon
Wed 1 May at 10:00 am Telephone Service

Sunday 5 May 2024

9:30 am Parish Communion Service at Essendon
11:00 am Family Service at Ponsbourne
11:00 am Parish Communion Service at Brickendon

2024 APCMs

LITTLE BERKHAMSTED

18 April at 7:30 pm

BAYFORD & BRICKENDON

30 April at 7:30 pm

PONSBOURNE

22 April at 7:30 pm

Rector: Rev'd Theresa Musiwacho. Telephone number: 01707 875940

Parish Administrator: Sandra Maniez

E-mail: hertfordhundred@outlook.com Website: www.hartfordhundred.org.uk

Those who have died (Please pray for the bereaved families)

"The LORD is near to those who have a broken heart, and saves such as have a contrite spirit". Psalm 34:18

Essendon: Robert ADKIN, David SMITH, Malcolm Arthur Gordon SKEEL

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN OUR GROUP:

Little Berkhamsted: Bronwyn

Brickendon: Margaret & Des Hills, Margaret Lambe, Hugh Dunlop, Christine & Bruno Rabouin-Plummer.

Essendon: Joan Thomson, Keith Venables, Sue Rees, Sara, Annabelle

Ponsbourne: Rose Venus.

In our Diocese: Much Hadham (Bishop's Stortford)

World and Mission:All who work as street evangelists

ACP: Anglican Church of Bangladesh

Collect

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

Acts 8: 26-end ²⁶ Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷ So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, the queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸ and was returning home; seated in his chariot,

he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹ Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." ³⁰ So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹ He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³² Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth" ³³ In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."³⁴ The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵ Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶ As they were going along the road, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" ³⁸ He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹ When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰ But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

John 15: 1-8 "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. ² He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³ You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷ If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become^[c] my disciples.