End-to-End
The Parish Magazine of Rivenhall and Silver End







The Beauty of Spring in Pods Wood Tiptree

May 2024 50p

The following are our services For May 2024

5th May	**6th Sunday of Easter**
9.30 am St Francis	Holy Communion
11 am St Mary's	All Age Worship
11th May (Thursday)	**Ascension Service**
7.30 pm St Mary's	Holy Communion
12th May	**7th Sunday of Easter**
9.30 am St Francis	Morning Prayer
11 am St Mary's	Holy Communion
19th May	**Pentecost**
9.30 am St Francis	Holy Communion
11 am St Mary's	Matins
26th May	**Trinity Sunday**
9.30 am St Francis	Morning Prayer
11 am St Mary's	Holy Communion

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‘VIEW FROM THE VILLAGES’ –

– ‘What a difference a day makes…..’

I have headlined this month’s article, ‘What a difference a day makes…..’ because, in one day everything did change, in my view from the Rectory in Terling.

I will now never know what I might have chosen as a topic for this month’s magazine. All I do know is that I never expected, or wanted it, to be what I am now writing about …… the death of Sarah McNamara – A lady who wasn’t only an amazing churchwarden, but whose abundant gifts, and love, was deep and far-reaching.

No, the view from my study window will now never again observe Sarah walking up the drive…. just as going in to church will never again be met with her constantly smiling face.

Indeed, for someone who I have only known for just over a year, it is amazing the loss I have experienced. Grief that, as has been evident by the copious tributes and flowers that have been left in the church, has been felt by so many, many people, far and wide.

Sarah’s death has been a stark reminder of how precious life is, and indeed each day is. How every day is a gift to be lived and enjoyed. Sarah herself, epitomising this - filling her day helping and blessing others, in whatever way she could.

Some of you may know the song, originally sung by Dinah Washington, entitled, ‘What a difference a day makes’. The song ends with this last line:

‘And the difference is you’……

That Sarah is a person who made a difference in people’s lives is her legacy that will continue to live on. A loving inspiration and role model to us all.

But it is true for all of us – each day being a gift that we can use to make a difference.

So, until we meet again Sarah, may you, one of God’s ‘good and faithful servants’, now enjoy some well-

earned rest!

God bless

Rev Jane x

PRAYER HOUR

You are invited to meet with me on a Monday morning at 9am for an hour of prayer

Sitting in peace and waiting on God, either in silence, or in words……

I will be rotating around the churches as follows:

Every Monday from the 4th March until the End of May 2024– Fairstead Parish Church

It will be lovely to see anyone that can come!

Readings and Collects for May 2024

5th May **6th Sunday of Easter**

All Age Worship

Readings

Isaiah 55:1-11
Acts 10:44-48
John 15:9-17

Collect

Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father.

9th May **Ascension Day**

7.30 pm St Mary's Holy Communion

Readings

Acts 1:1-11
Ephesians 1:15-23
Luke 24:44-53

Collect

Risen Christ,
you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven:
help us to seek and serve you,
that we may join you at the Father's side,
where you reign with the Spirit in glory

12th May 7th Sunday of Easter

Holy Communion

Readings

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26
1 John 5:9-13
John 17:6-19

Collect

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

19th May Pentecost

Matins

Readings

Acts 2:1-21
Romans 8:22-27
John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Collect

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

26th May Trinity Sunday

Holy Communion

Readings

Isaiah 6:1-8
Romans 8:12-17
John 3:1-17

Collect

Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

WITHAM AND VILLAGES MOTHERS' UNION

Thursday 30th May at 2pm in St Nicolas Church Hall. Our speaker will be **HOWARD SHNAAR**, Team Vicar. As usual all members and friends are welcome to join us. We are a very friendly, welcoming group and our meetings always include tea and cake.

All members and friends' welcome.

For more information contact Lynette Abbott (01376512586) or Joan Barrett (01376514617)

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Gardening Club 2nd Tues;

Yoga Wednesday evenings;

Carpet Bowls Thursday evenings.

Saturday afternoons - 7th Day Adventist Church

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The 50/50 Club March 2024 winners

1st D Bowsher 2nd L Hatley 3rd J Moss

NOTES OF RIVENHALL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 2nd APRIL 2024 IN RIVENHALL VILLAGE HALL

(Formal Minutes can be viewed on village noticeboards and the council's web-site)

Present: Cllrs Turner (Chairman), Cairns, Macrae, Prime and Abbott

Also Present: Locum Clerk Mrs A Brown, Essex County Councillor Ross Playle, and five members of the public

Public Forum: No comments raised.

ECC Councillor report: ECC teams have been to Rivenhall End to do extra work since the last meeting, and they will monitor the situation to see if flooding has ceased. Anglia Water will pressure wash their gullies on 16-18th April. The extensive road damage that has been caused by the flooding is to be resurfaced completely. There is still an on-going flood issue in Rickstones Road. Local highways panel will be streamlined to free up money and time on the smaller projects.

BDC Councillor Report: BDC agreed to a strong response to the Essex County Council draft Minerals Plan at the meeting of its Local Plan Committee on Thursday 7th March. Cllrs Abbott and Wright attended the Rivenhall Airfield Waste Site Liaison Group meeting in March and will circulate a report soon.

Essex Minerals Local Plan Review Consultation: There were 145 responses to the consultation from across Essex but no numbers are available for Rivenhall responses

Speedwatch: We were investigating a joint Speedwatch team with Cressing, but Cressing reported they currently have no volunteers. Silver End have a speed camera so we will investigate a joint team with them.

New Noticeboards: John Macrae was asked to look at noticeboard costs and to approach the management company who maintain the Bluebells development.

Rose Beds near The Oak: It was agreed to replace the dead Rose Bushes with new ones with a mix of colours. A budget of £300 had previously been agreed, but

Cllr Hammond had offered to donate new rose bushes free of charge: the council agreed to accept the kind offer. It was also

agreed that Cllr Turner would purchase some drought tolerant plants, and for the Council to purchase some Daffodil and Tulip bulbs later in the year for planting in the autumn: Cllr Abbott offered to plant the bulbs

".gov" E-Mail Addresses for Councillors: Parish Councillors will soon have to use ".gov" e-mail addresses for parish council business. Cllr Turner will circulate a government paper about this.

Planning Matters: Juliet Balcony, Waterfall Cottages: no comment.

Rickstones Academy, Artificial Football Pitch. Councillors were concerned that floodlighting and noise from games will affect residents in Bluebells, and that additional traffic will exacerbate the current parking issues there. These points will be sent to BDC with a recommendation that floodlights should be switched off at 8:00pm.

Verge Cutting: Two areas of the wildflower contract are being cut, but this is contrary to the contract. There has been no communication or invoices from the contractor P G Groundcare so the Clerk was asked to send a formal letter to PG Groundcare to ask if he was cutting those verges.

Village Green Posts: Several posts have rotted and are down. Cllr Macrae agreed to check the locations and seek and estimate from Phil Little for replacement and painting (we hold stocks of these posts).

Colemans Quarry: Cllr Macrae attended the site liaison meeting on 14 March and raised the following points which are causing significant issues to residents in Rivenhall parish: airborne dust in Rivenhall End, rampant summer thistle-down from topsoil and subsoil banks, mud, sand and gravel on the A12 north and south slip-roads (Colemans Bridge intersection), blocked drains due to mud, sand and gravel on the A12 north slip-road from Colemans interchange - water now gathers there and splashes pedestrians, cyclists & mobility scooters, considerable mud, sand and gravel on the A12 northbound carriage way between Colemans Bridge

interchange and Rivenhall End, sighting of HGVs using the weight restricted length of Oak Road between the railway bridge and Church Road, lorries leaving the quarry are driving round the wheel wash facilities (this was observed at the meeting, muddy orange water from Lt Braxted Road sweeping washes down towards the Colemans Cottage Fishery entrance causing nuisance and mess, quarry flushing/pumping operations are sometimes causing back-flow of silty orange water to enter the Colemans Cottage Fishery lake closest to Lt Braxted Lane.

Cllr Macrae recommends the parish council writes to Terry Burns - Essex CC Principal Planning Officer - to formally log these issues: this was agreed.

The "Annual Parish Meeting": This will be in Rivenhall Village Hall immediately prior to the May meeting on 7th May.

Public Feedback: A kerbstone is dislodged and is now a pedestrian hazard in front of the Old Force, Oak Road, Rivenhall End. 3 Waterfall Cottages is now Lakeside Cottage (name change)

Dates of next Meetings:

Tue 07 May 7:00pm Rivenhall Village Hall: "Annual meeting followed by May meeting.

Tue 04 June 7:00pm Henry Dixon Hall, Rivenhall End

WANTED!

RIVENHALL SPEEDWATCH VOLUNTEERS

Rivenhall Parish Council is seeking to join forces with another local parish to share a speed-watch camera. We do not have one of our own because they are very expensive.

So we are seeking potential volunteers to help form a Rivenhall speedwatch group. If we are successful in pairing with another parish council, then we could help them and they could help us.

Speeding in Rivenhall potentially affects everyone in our community!

If you would be willing to give-up (say) two half-days each

month, and we can form a core team, then formal training will be given. Please contact Rivenhall Cllr John Macrae (01376-514930 ~ there is an answer-phone).
For general information, Google **Community Speedwatch UK**.
Thank you.



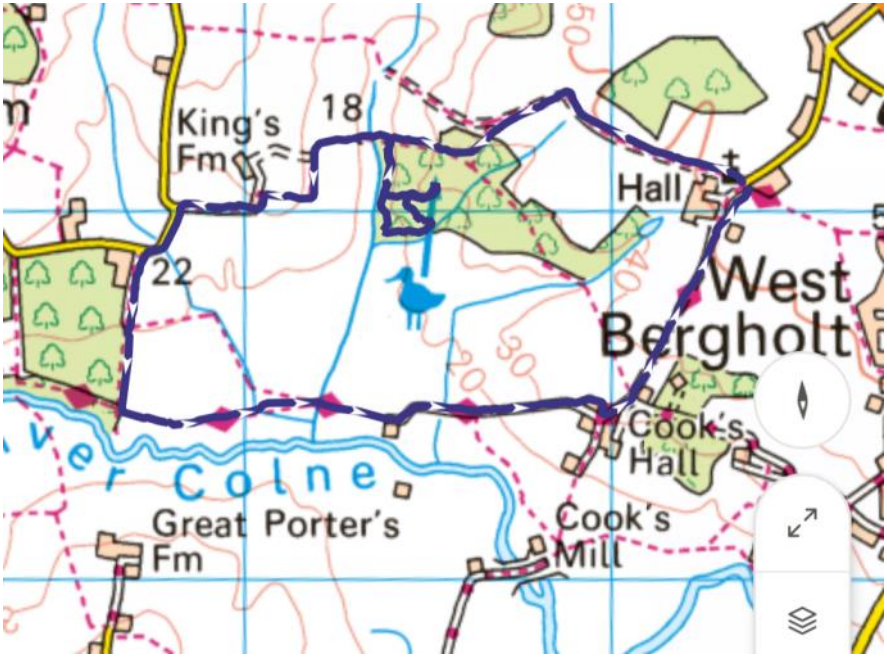
PENTECOST BONFIRE SATURDAY 18TH MAY

St Mary and All Saints churchyard
Sat. 18th May 8pm

Come along for a celebration of Pentecost.
Jacket Spuds and sausages will be served.
Please let me know if you are vegetarian.
Tea and coffee will be available, please bring any other drinks.
There is no charge, but a charity box will be there.
Please let me know if you are coming so I can cook enough!!
Ann Clarke annxclarke@outlook.com 07713151165

A Walk at Hill House Wood to see the Bluebells
A 4 Mile Circular Walk

On Sunday afternoon 21st April after our morning service Sarah and I set out to Hill House Wood near West Bergholt. The wood is marked as number 18 on the map. A 20 minute drive from Rivenhall the walk begins at Old St Mary's Church west Bergholt Post Code CO6 3DU.



The Walk begins along the side of the Church following the footpath finger post. Within about two thirds of a mile you will enter Hill House wood where there are signs to show you where to walk and what to see. You can see from the plotted route on the map above that we walked along a number of paths to see the Bluebells and the Wild Garlic flowers which can be seen in abundance, these are shown in the following pictures.





Here is the Wild Garlic.

After walking in the wood we followed the footpath signs and soon found our way onto the Essex Way which follows the River Colne, the route is very well sign posted and after an hour and a half we arrived back at the Church where our car was parked.

Quiz - Henry Dixon Hall - Friday 19 April

Our recent very successful quiz was masterminded by 'new' quizmaster, Simon Taylor (Chairman of E2E Nature Care) and his very able assistant, his wife, Shirley.

Although some of the questions were possibly a little harder than usual, according to several people afterwards, they liked his approach and it actually made them think! Everybody enjoyed the whole evening, with fish & chips at half time. The Seven Dwarves were the winners with the Secret Seven a close second.

Our thanks go to Simon and Shirley for an excellent quiz, Carole for organising a very good raffle, Tracy and Paul for setting up for us, and to All who came on the evening, we couldn't do it without you!! Thank you

The two Ann's



End to End Nature Care.

Spring is a very transformational time and it is for us too, as we move from monthly indoor meetings to weekly outdoor meets, every Wednesday evening, usually at 7pm. As usual we have a varied selection of activities lined up, including various surveys; visits to nature reserves; woodlands; churchyards and even an old watermill. Further information is always available on our website www.e2e.silverend.org and on our Facebook group 'End to End Nature Care' (please do feel free to post comments and local photographs there), or for any other enquiries I can be contacted via email simon@e2e.silverend.org or on 07947 388180. Events for May are listed below.

We had our first outdoor meeting towards the end of April when we counted cowslips in the field edges near Tarecroft Wood, an activity we have continued every year since the turn of the millennium; volunteers from our group even managed it as part of their daily exercise during the original Covid-19 lockdown, without breaking any of the rules I hasten to add. Building long-term bodies of regular data can prove invaluable in statistical biological studies, although we have noticed even just casually that the cowslips seem to be flowering slightly earlier now than they were when we first started doing the count. That's not to say it has been a steady trend, or even a statistically significant one, but in some years we have risked missing the cowslips by waiting until late April to count them.

An old-fashioned local name for them is 'Paigles' and children used to make balls of the flowers as toys or decorations. There are records of people sucking the flowers to enjoy the sweetness of their nectar too; not something I have ever known anybody try with a cowslip. This characteristic has also led to it being often used by winemakers to produce a sweet wine.

Simon Taylor

01 May 2024	18:30 for 19:00	Spring flowers at Oxley Meadow, Tolleshunt Knights. Meet at Stovern's Hall Farm (CM8 3HQ or TL825172) at 18:30 to car share or at the reserve (TL918149 - parking very limited) at 19:00.
08 May 2024	19:00	Field-edge paths and hedgerows, Rivenhall. Meet at Stovern's Hall Farm (CM8 3HQ or TL825172).
15 May 2024	19:00	Botanising Rivenhall Thicks. Meet at the sugarbeet stand by the sharp bend in the Rivenhall/Silver End road (TL822187).
22 May 2024	18:30 for 19:00	Birdwatching at Layer Breton causeway, Abberton Reservoir. Meet at Stovern's Hall Farm (CM8 3HQ or TL825172) at 18:30 to car share or at 19:00 at the causeway (TL949166).
29 May 2024	19:00	Sniveller's Lane. Meet at the northern end of the Lane, off Hollow Road, close to Porter's Farm (CO5 9DD or TL836192).

End to End Nature Care Program

A message from The Rt Revd Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani, Bishop of Chelmsford

Once again, the message of Easter hope and resurrection life breaks into a world that is full of sorrow, conflict and pain. How can we possibly make sense of this central event



- the one that everything else in the Christian faith hangs on - when all the evidence seems to point away from it? When much of the time it feels like death and hatred and evil have the final say, rather than life and love and hope? Both on a global scale, but perhaps personally too, for there is so much suffering and loss.

Well, if you rely on your emotions, on how you feel at any particular moment and in response to any specific event that might make you happy or sad - if you rely on your feelings, then faith is indeed a fickle thing. For sometimes God can feel close and other times far away. But the truth at the heart of the Gospel is that God, through Christ, is ever present, whatever is going on and whether or not we experience that closeness or not. I have these words of Karl Jung hanging in the hallway of our home, and I look at them every time I come in or go out: "Bidden or not bidden, God is present." God was present on Good Friday, just as much as on Easter Day.

The important thing is not to confuse our experiences and emotions - whether we feel the nearness of God or not – with the reality of Easter resurrection. There's no denying that embracing this requires a leap of faith. No logic or experiment will prove the existence of God or convince you of the Easter story. But faith knows more. In the words of the French mathematician and philosopher Blaise Pascal, The heart has reasons, of which reason knows nothing. On Easter morning, Christ rose from the dead and broke the power of death and hatred through the strength of his love and sacrifice. As Christians we try to embody that in the way we live our lives, in the service of others, speaking out against injustice, seeking to respond in love wherever there is hate. This is the Easter story, and it is ours to tell. It is challenging, mysterious and life changing. It offers light and hope in the midst of darkness, and I commend it to you wholeheartedly. For, Christ is risen! He is risen indeed, Alleluia. I wish you a joyful and blessed Easter.

Guli

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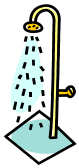
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TUESDAY PRAISE
For May
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DATE	LEADER
7th May	Efemi Cole-Njie
14th May	Ian Hardie
21st May	Jonathan Pritchard
28th May	Jane Quinton

TIME: 12.30 - 1pm

RIVENHALL GARDENING CLUB

There was no Club Meeting in the village hall in April. our main event for the month being the Club's Daffodil Show on Saturday 6th April 2024. at the Henry Dixon Hall. Rivenhall End. The Committee did wonder how many entries we would receive as it has been a strange season for daffodils. With the mild winter many daffodils bloomed early and had already 'gone over' by the time of the Show, however, we had a pleasing number of exhibits with compliments from our Judge. Mr. Tony Rogers. Homemade cakes, tea and coffee were served. there was a raffle, a Bring and Buy table and a book sale.

Best Daffodil Bloom
JENNY CLAYDON
Daffodil Society's Bronze Medal
SHIIRLEY BACON
Daffodil Society's Diploma

The Alpine Shield
MAURICE BACON

(**Miniature Daffodil Cup-** Not Awarded) **The Alpine Shield**

Domestic (Rich Fruit Cake)

1st MIKE SELBY 2nd JENNY CLAYDON 3rd TRACY SCOTT

Domestic (3 Billy Cakes)

1st MIKE SELBY 2nd SHIRLEY BACON 3rd J. CLAYDON

Photography

1st MIKE SELBY 2nd JENNY CLAYDON 3rd KAREN DAKIN

Thank you to all who visited and exhibited and congratulations to the winners. The Club's next meeting will be on **TUESDAY 14111 MAY 2024, 7.30pm, RIVENHALL VILLAGE HALL** when our speaker will be Ann

Mossman talking about 'Fungi and Mushrooms'. Club Competitions will he: Horticultural - any vegetable. Domestic — 3 sausage rolls. Flower of the Month. Photograph of the Month. New members and visitors are always made welcome. Entrance is £3 to include refreshments. For further information contact the Club Secretary on 01376 512781.



Turning the pages of History
Research by Tracy Scott

This month we are going to look at the 'Parish News' from Whitsuntide '74 and the 'From End to End' May '64 '84. First we will start with the May 1964.

Invalids: The Rector's (Rev. David King) hospital visiting list has grown again. Mrs. Dale's sudden move to St. John's Hospital surprised us all (I saw her yesterday, 27th April) and she is none too well.

Christopher Playle is back in the same hospital (a good deal better)

Mrs. Stacey is there too and after an operation, progressing well.

The little boy Potter is in the Children's Ward.

In Broomfield, Fred Newland has had another operation which relived him of a good deal of pain but he is 'not out of the wood' yet: he is so patient.

How thankful we should all be for good heal and we must support these friends of ours by prayer and thought.

Mrs Russell and Mrs. Holliday are home again; the former far from mobile and the latter will take some time to get her strength back.

Mothers' Union: The branch meets at Rivenhall this month on the 28th. Last month Mrs. Wrights of Pattiswick was to have given an address but was not able to come and her place was taken by Lady Beacham, who gave us a wonderfully devotional address on the first Psalm.

From the Registers

Baptisms:

5th April Rachel Williamson
Maxine Elizabeth Watson. (St. Francis')

12th April Simon Keith Murton
Debra Lynne Noon

Marriages:

4th April Terence Wishart to Ann Vere Mason. (St. Francis')
Godfrey Arthur Scott to Angela Graham

Rivenhall and Silver End Parish News: Whitsuntide 1974

Whit Sunday was on the 2nd June in 74…so in this issue we are looking at some of the things that happened in the May of that year.

Parish Gift Day: 25th May

It was a day of happy memories: only 67 people came to enjoy the wonderful flowers and the peace…disturbed only by the swallow who seemed determined to stay inside. The financial result was very gratifying: - just over £100…of which £20 is for the churchyard wall fund; £15 towards the St. Francis wood-beetle treatment etc.., we are very fortunate.

Miss Doreen Jones:

We are very grateful to the Vicar of Witham for making it possible for our parish-work to have a temporary home at the assistant-curate's house at 99 Hatfield Road. We have written to him to thank him. The house needs a little interior decorating but is, in the main, in very good condition. All being well, we may expect that Miss Doreen Jones will move in sometime during August. She will come to us not only with a wealth of teaching experience but of parochial experience as well; she is a member of the Diocesan Synod and a lay representative of the Diocesan Pastoral Committee.

In order to allay some confusion I had better say now that Miss Jones and I shall be working as a team and it will not be a case of dividing the parish between us. Rector: Rev. David Nash

From the Registers

Baptism: Rivenhall

5th May Darren Scott Roan

26th May Samantha Gray; Emma Lucy Del Espino

Matthew Peter Munson

Baptism: Silver End

28th April Samantha Jane Tara Higgins

19th May Neil David Shepherd

26th May Cheryl Clare Ball

Weddings: Rivenhall

4th May David Lloyd William to Susan Fox

Burials:

24th April Victoria Butcher, 86 years

25th April (after Cremation) Albert Hollocks, 73 years

16th May Arthur Wickenden, 52 years

And we finish this month with May 1984 'From End to End'

From the Rector:

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

We have just celebrated the great feast of Easter, when we rejoice in the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, and his living presence with his Church here and now. Every Sunday is a celebration of Easter, and a Christian's first duty on that day is to join with other Christians in the celebrations of the Holy Communion is known by a variety of names which are as follows:

A: The Eucharist, B: The Mass, C: The Holy Communion, D: The Lords Supper, E: The Breaking of Bread. All these titles highlight one aspect of this great feast of celebration which was instituted by our Lord Jesus Christ and commanded by Him to be observed by Christians everywhere. Every person who has been Confirmed in the Christian Faith is bidden by Christ to "Do this in remembrance of Me". This recollecting or remembering is a constant rediscovery by the Christian that Jesus is not a remote figure in history, but one who is alive and with his people now. What a joy to rediscover when we are tired or depressed or just fed up, that Christ gives Himself to his people under the symbols of bread and wine. It is for the Christian the receiving of the Living Lord Christ, and that the purpose of His giving is to strengthen us. The Living Lord strengthens His People in order to equip them for the battles of life. What an opportunity most of us miss by our refusal to obey the Lord's command and "Do This". When did you last partake of the Sacrament of Holy Communion? Rector: Rev. Frank Miller

St. Francis Notes:

The latest St. Francis fund raising involved the children in a sponsored treasure hunt competition. They had to find 50 items on a list and managed to raise £63.60 between them. Natalie Hawkes was the winner with the most sponsorship and received a box of chocolates for her troubles. All the children who took part received a consolation prize.

The Easter flowers looked beautiful. We would like to thank all the Ladies for giving up their Saturday afternoon to decorate the Church.

Work continues on the new extension with cupboards and other fittings; many thanks to Malcolm Lowe for his help here.

From the Registers

Baptism:

1st April Paul Edward Hayden
Mark Richard Firman

Easter Day

22nd April Michael Anthony Simpson

29th April Claire Elizabeth Wilson
Emma Louise Clark

Burial:

1st April Hilda May Stock (burial of Ashes)

16th April Lilly Cornell (funeral at St. Francis)

Old time Rivenhall – 1914 War – by Albert Scott

Special Constables:

At the beginning of the War a group of 15 men from Rivenhall, Silver End and Little Braxted formed a branch of the Special Constables. Mr. A. M. Bradhurst of Rivenhall Place and the Rev B. Rooke of Little Braxted were the sergeants; our Rector, the Rev. H. Willmott gave help with his donkey and cart to take some of the older special to Little Braxted. Their duties included visiting Great and Little Braxted Churches, also Rivenhall Church, to see if everything was in order as no Church was locked up in those days. My Grandfather was one of the Specials. I have a photo of the Rivenhall and Little Braxted Specials with all their names on it. I might add they all used to visit the Fox Inn and the Prince of Wales at Rivenhall End and the Green Man at Little Braxted as Rector Willmott need some refreshment after shouting at the donkey to move on; he had a very powerful voice, but the donkey could be very stubborn as well.



Top: A. W. Shelly E. Parish R. M. Rott I. J. Cullen W. Cranmer
Centre: Rev H. Willmott J. Byford W. Brice. W. Taber
G. Butcher R. Scott G. Rawlinson
Front: J. Taber A. M. Bradhurst Rev. B. Rooke



Parish of Rivenhall and Silver End



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Theme: Aspects of Nature within the Parish



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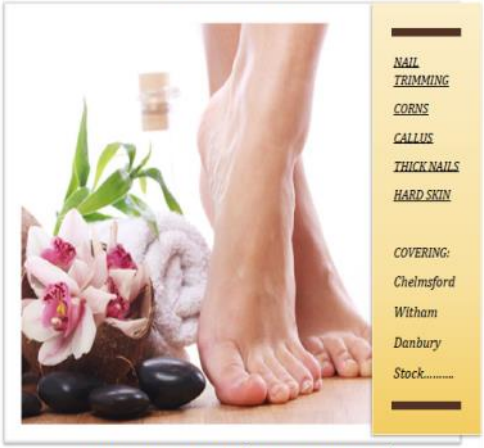
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End to End Nature Care	Simon Taylor	01621 810141
Gardening Club	Carole McCarthy	512781
Meets on 2nd Tuesday at 7.30pm in Village Hall		
Carpet Bowls	Mick Marshall	512836
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Playing Fields Association	Mick Marshall	01376 512836
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Facilities

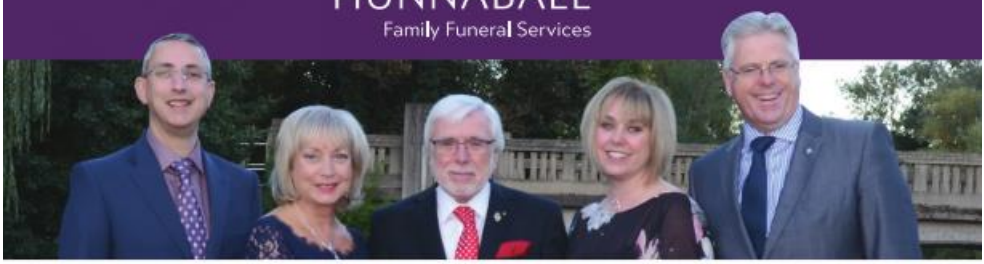
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Hire of Henry Dixon Hall	Tracy Scott	571551
Oak Store Rivenhall "Open All Hour" Tel AJ		01376 538838

Organisations in Silver End

Clerk to Parish Council	Mrs B. M. Temple	618464
Email parishclerk@silverendparishcouncil.gov.uk		
Bowls Club	Paul Mann	07551 006906
Children's Centre	Faye Savage	587960
Neighbourhood Police	Braintree Policing	Dial 101
Congregational Church	Sharon Gray	583913
Friendship Club	Maureen Green	585275
Silver End Gad Abouts	Denise Sullens Smith	07952 992782
Guiding Group	Carol Hutchings	07857 663959
Neighbourhood Watch	Judy Hill	07896 975839
Scouting Group	secretary@silverend-scouts.org.uk	
St Mary's Church (R.C.)	Vivian Phillips	583598
Tennis Club	Jason Cairns	584581
Workers Educational Assoc.	Brian Gillion	583706
Luncheon Club	Helen Thomson	583255
Doctors Surgery		583387
Silver End Heritage Society	Jackie Nesbitt	07707 084608
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