



Services for March

2nd	6.00pm	Holy Communion	Hamilton Lodge
4th	11.00am	Holy Communion	Seven Rivers
5th	9.00am	The Eucharist & Rosary	St. Mary the Virgin
Sunday 6th		Lent 4	
	8.00am	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
	10.30am	The Parish Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer	St. Mary the Virgin
7th	9.15am	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
9th	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
10th	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
11th	11.00am	The Eucharist	Seven Rivers
12th	9.00am	The Eucharist & Rosary	St. Mary the Virgin
Sunday 13th		Lent 5	
	8.00am	The Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
	10.30am	The Parish Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer & Sermon	St. George the Martyr
14th	9.15am	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
16th	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
17th		S Patrick	
	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
18th	11.00am	The Eucharist	Seven Rivers
19th		S Joseph	
	9.00am	The Eucharist & Rosary	St. Mary the Virgin
Sunday 20th		Palm Sunday	
	8.00am	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
	10.30am	The Parish Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer	St. Mary the Virgin
21st	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
22nd	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
23rd	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
24th		Maundy Thursday	
	7.00pm	The Parish Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
25th		Good Friday	
	3.00pm	The Passion of the Lord	St. George the Martyr
Sunday 27th		The Easter Vigil	St. George the Martyr
	5.00am	The Easter Vigil	St. George the Martyr
	10.30am	The Parish Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer & Sermon	St. George the Martyr
28th	6.00pm	The Eucharist	Hamilton Lodge
29th	9.15am	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
30th	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
31st	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin

PREDATION



There has been much in the news recently on hunting, foxes, cats and sparrowhawks.

Hunting as a sport, by the time you read this, will be officially banned and we shall have to see how things pan out with this new law. Anyone who has ever kept animals know that foxes kill and not always for food. They sometimes kill needlessly leaving their dead victims distressingly strewn around. I read recently that urban foxes no longer able to find enough food due to the advent of the wheelie bin, have taken to catching and eating cats instead. The cat owners are calling for the foxes to be culled.

Cats too are not always regarded as adorable when they follow their natural instinct and hunt and therefore kill. They also kill more than they can eat. Whilst I find that, despite these hunting capabilities, the mouse population never seems to diminish I do try to prevent the cats catching the birds at their most vulnerable time at dawn by keeping them indoors overnight.

Sparrowhawks also get a bad press. I have one who regularly visits my garden; it is very fierce looking and very beautiful. It keeps the 60-odd strong flock of collared doves under control, weeding out

the old, slow and weak. It is fascinating to watch it home and sweep in soundlessly and gracefully for the kill. The bird world, however, is not a walk over and is constantly on watch; more often than not the alarm sounds and the sparrowhawk swoops through empty air. Some say the sparrowhawk should be culled to protect the smaller birds but their very presence is a good indicator of a strong small bird population and whilst the correct balance remains all the different species will survive.

Balance in nature is the crucial thing and insects, wild flowers, seed heads with hedges and trees (along with a bit of general untidiness and cover for them to make their homes in) should be nurtured to give food for the smaller creatures which feed the larger and so on up the food chain to ourselves.

There is a fine line between hunting for fun, hunting for food and also hunting to cull a given threat and may be more thought should be given about the natural order of things than about man's constant need to control a situation from whichever side of the fence it is being looked at.

Leonie Henderson

THE 'MESSENGER' COVER

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It is a familiar pattern, but each year Christians seek to enter more deeply into what it means for them today; what these events of nearly 2000 years ago, can inspire each of us with for tomorrow. For the Christian faith is not simply historical, it is alive and active in the heart and life of every Christian who in honour cries "Hosanna", seeks to live a life of service, acknowledges their past failings and weaknesses, and in faith celebrates and looks forward to new life.

This Lent the Christians who worship in your local Church Of England, have been celebrating the growth in numbers which God has granted us in this past decade. Then they have been looking to deepen commitment to Him personally and in the life of the Church, through worship, prayer, scripture, the sacraments and fellowship. All of this has been underpinned by a Lent of denial in little things like a meal, or sweets, or alcohol or biscuits, in order to show our human weaknesses who is boss, and to raise money to provide

books for schools abroad, especially those affected by the tsunami.

For we here recognise that where Christians are being faithful there is hope for the Church of Jesus Christ, which in turn brings hope into the world which Jesus Christ came to die for and save. May you know hope, and so peace, in your life and home too.

Fr Nicolas.

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Sweet Peas: If you set your seeds in October they can now be planted in their permanent position at the end of this month.

Roses: By the end of this month roses should have their final pruning.

Chrysanthemums: Take cuttings of summer flowering types.

Annuals: Sow seeds of hardy annuals outside at the end of the month.

Bulbs: Plant gladioli in the second week of the month.

Irises: Remove dead leaves from bearded irises and apply a general fertiliser.

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NEWS FROM THE DOCTORS' SURGERY

GREAT BENTLEY SURGERY

We've had the decorators in over the last two or three weeks, so we are all getting a bit fed up with the smell of paint. Never mind. A few areas of the surgery which, amazingly, hadn't been decorated for at least ten years are now looking a lot fresher and cleaner. I've also had some alterations done in my room which gives me a lot more space. Someone jokingly said that it gave me an extra 8 cubic metres to store rubbish - at least I think they were joking.

You might find it fun to try and match up the colours used to the people who chose them for their rooms. Answers are at the bottom of the page. I reckon that anyone who gets them all right must have sneaked in and checked them out.

Colours used: a) Lilac, b) Salmon pink, c) Pale green, d) Seduction yellow!!, e) Gardenia (a posh name for Magnolia)

Chosen by: 1) Sister Jan Williamson, 2) Dr Letton, 3) Sister Bonnie Beard, 4) me, 5) Sister Judy Woraker

Our raffle in aid of the Tsunami victims is going really well and many thanks to everyone who has had a go so far. A big "thank you" also to the people who have donated the prizes - mainly the staff here - though we have been given several very generous ones by patients. We now have over 30 prizes on offer and they are all good ones, so it's well worth buying a few tickets. They cost 25 pence each or five for £1 and will be available right up until the day we make the draw which will be 28th February.

As I mentioned last month, we lost Dr Dewa a few days ago, when he went off to carry on his training at one of the Colchester practices. The doctors are already feeling the effect of his absence as they are busier than they have been for some time.

Obviously, we will carry on seeing everyone who needs attention, and we'll stick to our promise to offer everyone who needs to see a doctor an appointment within two working days. However, everyone can help by remembering a few basic points.

Firstly, we can't do anything to cure colds or flu. They are viruses so antibiotics cannot

touch them. Stay home, keep warm, drink plenty of fluids and use over-the-counter remedies to control the symptoms if necessary. Please don't come in and spread the around the staff here!

Secondly, if the receptionist suggests that a nurse or even a Healthcare Assistant can do what you need, please accept their advice. They all have full training in their own specific areas of expertise and will look after you just as well as the doctors. In fact, many things they will do a lot better than the doctors because they get more practice.

Thirdly, if you book an appointment and when the time comes you either no longer need it or can't get here, then please, please let us know as early as you can. People not turning up, especially when we are already short of appointments makes the situation worse and is terribly frustrating.

I haven't got room for a featured employee this month, but I promise next month that I'll tell you more about Tony Virgo and why we've been missing him over the last few weeks.

Don't forget your raffle tickets.
 Hugh Cronin, Practice Manager

Oh yes! The answers to the colours" quiz were - a=3, b=2, c=4, d=5 and e=1.



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FROM THE PAST ...

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The sale took place, without reserve, at 12 o'clock on Friday 24th November, 1815.



- John Appleby

KITCHEN CORNER

Lamb Tikka

A quick and easy recipe

Use lean meat, cubed -

Marinade:

- ½ lb onions slice
- 2 or 3 cloves garlic
- 1 tabsp each of turmeric, ground coriander, chilli powder, fresh chopped ginger root
- 1 tub natural yoghurt

Mix all together and marinade meat for 5-8 hours.

Put the meat cubes on skewers with chopped peppers, mushrooms etc, then grill and serve on lettuce leaves.

Pirarras - to serve with the lamb

- ½ lb arrar flour (or half white/half wholemeal)

- 1½ oz ghee or butter
- pinch salt, cold water to mix

Process (or knead) and form into a ball. Roll pieces to plate size, spread with butter, fold and roll again. Cook them in a greased hot pan.

Jill Frostick



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We would first like to say a big thank you to Fiona who has kindly donated some toys and puzzles for Scallywags. We are very grateful to you.

We have lots of fun activities planned so please do come along with your child if you would like to join in the fun.

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The new children are settling in well and all seem to be really enjoying their time at playgroup.



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On 6th February at Gt Bentley, Pam and Derek Frostick, Pauline Keeble and Ron Copp represented Gt Bromley in a competition run in aid of Essex Wildlife. They were joint runners up on games won, but with fewer shots were technically placed third. Boxed were the outright winners. Our annual Charity Tournament, this year in aid of Save the Children Fund, will be on 12th March in the Village Hall. Anyone interested in watching the play for a while - and to join us for a 'cuppa' - will be welcome.

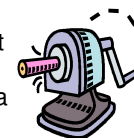
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Saturday, 18th June. A Barn Dance is to be held. More information to follow next month.



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Secretary	Bevan Willgress
Treasurer &	Lynda Allam

Bookings person

Vera Biddis, Gill Christmas, Beryl Hurst,
June Willgress, Dean Dasley, Henry
Fairley, Martin Frostick, Pat Petchey and
Pat Swanston.

The **Caretaker**, Marion Britton, also
participates in the committee meetings.

Our Annual General Meeting is usually
held on a Wednesday in May when the
officers give their reports and some
people are elected to serve a further year
on the committee. Part of the committee
are appointed by organisations who use
the Hall and are named in the Trust Deed.

Organisations currently using the Hall
facilities are the Playgroup, Scallywags,
Badminton Club, Mens Club, Carpet
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District Council, School, Church, Poultry
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Why not come and join one of the clubs or
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We are bringing back the Big Band
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Saturday, 19th March so please book this
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your tickets by calling Beryl Hurst on
01206 230578. Tickets are £7. Bring
your own nibbles and drink.

We are probably having a coffee
morning with light lunches sometime in
June or July, date yet to be fixed.

The committee next meet on Tuesday,
8th March at
7.30pm in the Hall.

Bevan Willgress



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At our February meeting we had a talk "New seeds for the garden" by Andrew Tokley, Horticultural Manager for Messrs Thompson & Morgan of Ipswich. The company has a Seeds Division and a Young Plants Division, which is run from Guernsey.

William Thompson started collecting plants as a hobby, which then became a business carried on in Tavern Street, Ipswich in 1855. After a few years he teamed up with John Morgan, an accountant. There are no family descendant members of Thompson or Morgan alive today and their present business site is in Poplar Lane. Seeds are sent to countries all over the world, their catalogue contains 70 different varieties of potatoes.



A slide show enabled us to see the trial grounds for growing new and rare varieties, the machinery for harvesting the seed and sorting out the rubbish, conditioning units for keeping the seed cool and dry, together with incubators for testing the germination rate. Any seeds that do not pass the test are destroyed. New for 2005 are a yellow Busy Lizzie and a Dwarf Sunflower.

Important issues are "good flavour for vegetables" and "good flowering performance for flowers". Some seeds from countries such as South Africa, need a bush fire to enable them to germinate, so Thompson and Morgan have to put the seeds through a fake bush fire to get them started.

Mr Tokley grows all his own vegetables and flowers for his garden, after working hours.

Our March meeting speaker is Maureen Seale who will tell us "What is Fairtrade". Do come along to the village hall on Wednesday, 2nd March for 7.30pm, you will be very welcome to join us for the meeting.

June Willgress

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

At our January meeting we had the pleasure of a talk and demonstration by Mr Gurney of Bygone Tennis Racquets which one could never imagine being used at Wimbledon. They appeared very heavy and must have needed some muscle to use them, compared with the present day ones which the players swing about as if they weighed a couple of ounces!!



Outings were discussed and the choice was Windsor in June - the exact date later. Remember we must have a minimum of 25 people booked - the cost will be £10 for a full day (members). More details later.

Dates for your diaries:

21st April - our OPEN DAY - with stalls for cakes, jewellery, bric-a-brac, books, cards, raffles etc. All contributions to any of the stall will be appreciated. The March meeting will be on 17th March. The competition for the ladies is a small perfume bottle and for the gentlemen - an after-shave bottle.

Vicky Griffiths



The Dog House
Burnt Heath House
Frating Road
Ardleigh
Colchester
CO7 7SY

The Dog House Call Jo on:
Grooming Service 01206 230101
07759 550587

For bathing, clipping and trimming to just brushing out!

BRIGHTLINGSEA FARMERS' MARKET

31st March 9am - 1pm
Brightlingsea Community
Centre, Lower Park
For further details contact Bob
Shotton (01206 302669)



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

GREAT BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Report of the Great Bromley Parish Council meeting held on 10 February 2004

Planning

The Council considered and agreed no objections to the following planning applications:

Atlantis, Chase Road West – front & rear extensions and widened access.

2 Holly Dene Cottages, Briar Road – single storey extension

Entre-Nous, Chapel Lane – single storey extension

Tendring District Council has approved the following planning applications:

Old Courthouse Inn, Harwich Road – increase width of vehicular access.

6 Back Lane East – formation of new access.

Field House, Parson's Hill – porch and extension.

Thatched Cottage, Brook Street – amended application for garage/store.

Arcan, Colchester Rd – amended proposal for detached garage.

Tendring District Council has refused the following planning applications:

Oak House Farm, Harwich Road – change of use from kindergarten school to casino club.

Land between Fieldside and Ettone, Frating Road – two new bungalows.

4 Meadow Close – two-storey extension.

Hare Green Recreation Ground

The play equipment has been repaired and modified and a 'springy motorcycle' installed. A picnic table with benches has been ordered.

Community grants

The council has agreed grants totalling

£1230 to the following local organisations: the Bromley Messenger, the Royal British Legion, Bromleys PCC (for St George's church grass cutting), Citizens' Advice Bureau (Tendring) and Hamilton Lodge.

Highways and footpaths

The county arranges for vegetation on certain footpaths and bridleways to be cut back once annually. Also Onyx, under contract to the district council, sweeps highways and cleans verges on either a monthly basis, or quarterly for rural roads and lanes. Please let the Clerk know if your local road or footpath is not being maintained properly.

The county is promoting its new local transport plan through exhibitions at Clacton's Town Hall on 1 March and at the Moot Hall Colchester on 2 March. These exhibitions are open from 11 am to 8 pm.

The county proposes introducing a 40 mph speed limit on the Frating Road between Balls Green and Selectacars, and a 30 mph limit along Brundells Road.

During the next 12 months the Highways Authority will be installing a roundabout on the A120 so as to provide safer access to and from the old Harwich Road. At the same time traffic will be prohibited from turning right into and out of Park Road, although the council is making representations against this particular proposal.

The **next meeting** of the Council will be at 7.30 pm on Thursday **10 March 2005** at the Village Hall Great Bromley.

LITTLE BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of Little Bromley Parish Council will be held on **Thursday, 16th March, 2005**. For the time and venue please contact the Parish Clerk on 01206 391015.

WORKSHOP LEADER TRAINING IN THE ARTS

19th & 20th March 2005 and
30th & 31st July 2005

10.30am - 4.30pm

at Theatre Resource, High Street,
Chipping Ongar, Essex CM5 0AD

If you are age 14+ and live in the Tendring, Basildon, Castle Point or Harlow come to Theatre Resource's Workshop Leader Training in the Arts - a FREE 4-day training programme in leading and running arts workshops.

Over two weekends you will learn how to

- plan and set up arts sessions
- use art, discussion and drama to help others to express themselves and to be creative
- run games, exercises or workshops using many art forms incl. music
- create performances and give presentations on issues which are important to you, in a safe, enjoyable and creative way.

Each day will cover different things so you need to come to all four days.

On completion of the course you will receive accreditation and may have the opportunity to get paid work alongside professional artists from Theatre Resource as part of our supported employment programme.

Contact Lis Bake for further information.

Tel: 01277 365626,

Fax/Minicom: 01277 365003,

Email: lis@theatre-resource.org.uk

www.theatre-resource.org.uk

SEVEN RIVERS LEONARD CHESHIRE HOME, GT BROMLEY



**Can You Help?
We are looking for volunteers.**

Drivers, Gardeners, help in the office. If you have a special talent to demonstrate to or an interest that you can talk to our residents about, it doesn't matter what, anything, flower arranging, cooking, music don't be shy volunteer now.

CARERS' ROADSHOW

Marks Tey Village Hall
Wednesday, 16th March

Call in any time from 10.00am to 4.00pm

Meet others working with informal carers and find out what could be out there to help you. Bring leaflets or information about your services to share with others. Chat over a tea or coffee. Buffet provided 12 'til 2.

Over 500 invitations have been sent to colleagues in:

SOCIAL CARE TEAMS - PRIMARY
HEALTH CARE - VOLUNTARY
ORGANISATIONS - CARERS'
CHAMPIONS - GP PRACTICE
MANAGERS - CARE HOMES - CARE
AGENCIES .. and of course CARERS!

North East Essex Carers' Support
Imperial House, Rosemary Road
Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 1NZ

Reg. Charity No. 1077639

ESSEX FIRE SERVICE- SMOKE DETECTORS

The Essex Fire Service is currently offering a service to install a smoke detector in every house in Essex if requested - **Free**. Priority will be given to the infirm and disabled, but all householders are eligible. Forms requesting installation can be obtained from your nearest Fire Station, or call Community Liaison Officer at 01026 574255 which you should then complete and return to the stated address.

Len Christodoulides - Brightlingsea Rotary Club

GREAT BROMLEY POST OFFICE

at The Cross Inn

Hours: 10.00am - 2.00pm



As from Saturday, 5th March P.O. hours will be:

Mon/Tues 9.30am-2.00pm
Wed/Thurs/Fri 10.00am-2.00pm
Sat 9.00am-midday

Telephone: 01206 231073

COLCHESTER - WALTON



BUS SERVICES

105/107/109

Route 105: Colchester Bus Station, Harwich Road (Goring Road), Crockleford, (Cherry Tree Farm), Burnt Heath, Great Bromley (Cross Inn), Great Bromley (Black Boy), Hare Green, Little Bentley (Bricklayers Arms), Tendring Heath (Tendring Tavern), Tendring (Cherry Tree), Thorpe-le-Soken (Maids Head), Kirby Cross, Frinton (Rail Gates), Walton (Kino Road)

Colchester Bus Station

	1023	1213	1403	1820
Burnt Heath	1037	1227	1417	1833
Great Bromley (Cross Inn)	1041	1231	1421	1837
Great Bromley (Black Boy)	1044	1234	1424	1840
Hare Green	1045	1235	1425	1841
Frinton	1108	1258	1448	1904
Walton	1113	1303	1453	1909
Walton	0928	1118	1308	1518
Frinton	0933	1123	1313	1523
Hare Green	0956	1146	1336	1546
Great Bromley (Black Boy)	0957	1147	1337	1547
Great Bromley (Cross Inn)	1000	1150	1340	1550
Burnt Heath	1004	1154	1344	1554
Colchester Bus Station	1018	1208	1358	1608

Route 107: Colchester Bus Station, Harwich Road (Goring Road), Crockleford, (Cherry Tree Farm), Burnt Heath, Great Bromley (Cross Inn), Great

Bromley (Black Boy), Hare Green, Little Bentley (Bricklayers Arms), Tendring Heath (Tendring Tavern), Tendring (Cherry Tree), Thorpe-le-Soken (Maids Head), Kirby -le-Soken (Halstead Villas), Walton (Ashes Corner), Frinton (Rail Gates), Walton (Kino Road)

Colchester Bus Station	1630
Burnt Heath	1644
Great Bromley (Cross Inn)	1649
Great Bromley (Black Boy)	1651
Hare Green	1652
Frinton	1718
Walton	1723

Walton	0725
Frinton	0730
Hare Green	0756
Great Bromley (Black Boy)	0757
Great Bromley (Cross Inn)	0800
Burnt Heath	0804
Colchester Bus Station	0818

Route 109: Colchester Bus Station, Hythe Station Road, Elmstead Market (Kings Arms), Great Bromley (Black Boy), Hare Green, Little Bentley (Bricklayers Arms), Tendring Heath (Tendring Tavern), Tendring (Cherry Tree), Thorpe-le-Soken (Maids Head), Kirby Cross, Frinton (Rail Gates), Walton (Kino Road)

Colchester Bus Station	0833
Great Bromley (Black Boy)	0849
Hare Green	0850
Frinton	0913
Walton	0918

Walton	1730
Frinton	1735
Hare Green	1758
Great Bromley (Black Boy)	1759
Colchester Bus Station	1815

EAST OF ENGLAND PLAN

The future development of Great

Bromley may be influenced by a number of local and regional plans and strategies. The District Council's draft new plan for instance supports large-scale housing and industrial development for the village. The County Council is against these proposals, which are contrary to its own structure plan. There is also now a plan for the eastern region of England. This has some positive features although its proposals for additional housing are considered excessive and unsustainable in terms of both the lack of employment opportunities and inadequate infrastructure. The environmental impact would also be adverse.

All these plans can be consulted at public libraries or seen on the internet at the following locations:
www.tendringdc.gov.uk,

www.essexcc.gov.uk, www.eera.gov.uk.

Notwithstanding Tendring's plans for Great Bromley the Planning Inspectorate or Secretary of State will decide ultimately, after a public enquiry, whether or not more than 2000 houses and a large industrial estate will be imposed on the village. It is for this reason that Great Bromley, together with other affected parish councils, will be vigorously fighting these proposals and paying for expert representation at the public enquiry.

The various plans will be discussed at the parish council's next meeting at 7.30 pm on 10 March at the village hall. Residents are welcome to attend and contribute to the Council's response to the East of England Plan.



Brenda and Richard welcome you to

“THE BROMLEY CROSS INN”

For fine ales and good food, brought to you in a friendly, welcoming atmosphere and comfortable, homely environment.

EVENTS during MARCH

Sunday 6th

MOTHERING SUNDAY

Give Mum a special treat - lunch at the Cross Inn. Choose a 12.30pm or 1.45pm sitting

Thursday 17th

CHARITY QUIZ

8.30pm PROMPT start

In aid of the Church Repair Fund. Teams of up to 4. £2.50 per head includes light supper

Wednesday 23rd

MUSIC NIGHT.

8.15pm start

Sing, play or just come along and enjoy an evening of good music and entertaining recital.

COMING EVENTS

23rd April

St GEORGE'S NIGHT - Celebration/Disco

WHITSUN BANK HOLIDAY - Annual BEER and MUSIC FESTIVAL

POST OFFICE @ The CROSS INN - Change of Hours - see page 12

Open for lunches Wednesday, Thursday and Friday as well as Sundays. Last orders 1.45pm. Evening meals Wednesday - Sunday inclusive.

Telephone 01206 230282

Forthcoming Events

MARCH

- 2 WI meeting, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 9 Village Hall Management Committee meeting, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 10 Gt Bromley Parish Council meeting, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 12/13 EHA Crafts Exhibition, Hylands House, Chelmsford, 11.00am
- 16 Lt Bromley Parish Council meeting, Ring Clerk for venue, 7.30pm
- Carers' Roadshow, Marks Tey village hall, 10.00am
- 16 Friendship Club meeting, Village Hall, 2.00pm
- 19 Dance to Glen Miller Big Band Sound, Village Hall
- P.T.A. Quiz Night, School Hall, 7.30pm
- 26 Easter Bunny Dinner Dance, Venture Centre, Lawford, 7.00pm
- 27 Easter Day

APRIL

- 9 Charity Race Night, Lovelace Hall, Wivenhoe, 7.30pm
- 10 Suffolk Copncert Band, St Mary's church, 2.30pm
- 14 Lt Bromley Council Parish Assembly
- Gt Bromley Parish Council meeting
- 16 Church Coffee morning at Criffel, Dead Lane
- 21 Friendship Club Open Day, Village Hall
- 22 Barn Dance, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 23 St George's Day
- 24 Rotary Club Race Night, Wivenhoe



MAY

- 7 Plant & Garage Sale, Ilex Farm
- 18 Rotary Club Golf Day, Frinton Golf Club
- 28-30 Flower Festival, St George's church

JUNE

- 18 P.T.A. Barn Dance

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

21st April

OPEN DAY

Stalls - cakes, jewellery, bric-a-brac, books, cards, raffles etc.

All contributions to any of the stall will be appreciated.



ST GEORGE'S FLOWER FESTIVAL 2005

28th - 30th May

Many helpers are needed, please try to keep these dates in mind and keep some free time to help.



Essex Handicrafts Association Craft Exhibition

at Hylands House, Chelmsford
on Saturday 12th March and Sunday 13th March
11.00am - 4.00pm



Dance to

'NOSTALGIA' BIG BAND SOUND

Saturday, 19th
March

Gt Bromley
Village Hall



Tickets £7.00
obtainable from
Beryl Hurst (01206 230578)

Bring your own nibbles and drink

EASTER BUNNY DINNER DANCE

Saturday, 26th
March

Dancing to
CELEBRATION ROADSHOW
7 for 7.30pm prompt
at the Venture Centre, Lawford

3 Course Dinner Raffle

Tel: 01206 230126

In aid of Paige Lonnergan



ST GEORGE'S SCHOOL P.T.A.

Saturday, 19th March

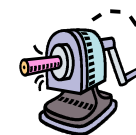
QUIZ NIGHT

in the School Hall
starting at 7.30pm

Teams of around 6-8
people.

Tickets will be £5 per
person including a cheese
platter.

For more information and
tickets please contact the school office.



Saturday, 18th June.

BARN DANCE

Watch this space for more details next
month.

BARN DANCE

Friday 22nd April
Great Bromley Village Hall
at 7.30pm

Everyone invited

Tickets from the Church



Brightlingsea & District Rotary Club CHARITY RACE NIGHT

Lovelace Hall, Wivenhoe
Saturday, 2nd April
£5 inc food platter
Tote betting

Bar
7.30 p.m. start

Ticket entry, ring Terry Youngs
01026827156



ST GEORGE'S PLANT & GARAGE SALE

7th May
Ilex Farm, Waterhouse Lane
10.00am to 1.00pm

If anyone has any plants or
anything for the Garage Sale
(no books, clothes, or small
bric-a-bac) please contact
Ann on Tel 230679.

