

# St Andrew's Hagbourne

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**SCIENCE SUNDAY AT ST ANDREW'S - 16th March**  
**Talks and Reflections to celebrate the World of Science**

**Lent Lunches start at St Andrew's on 8th March**

***News, Views and Information for everyone in the Hagbournes and Coscote***

**Thank you very much to the East and West Hagbourne Parish Councils  
for giving the Parish Magazine a home on their websites.**

**[www.easthagbourne.net](http://www.easthagbourne.net)**

**[www.westhagbourne.org](http://www.westhagbourne.org)**

# CHURCH CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR MARCH 2025

The Prayer Intentions this month are for all who live in East Hagbourne.

## Prayer Focus:

1 Saturday

### **2 +Sunday SUNDAY NEXT OF LENT**

8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B  
 9am Parish Eucharist: All Saints' AU  
 9.15am Lay-led Service: St Mary's U  
 10.30am Parish Eucharist: St Andrew's H  
 10.30am All Age Service: St Michael's B  
 10.30am Parish Eucharist: All Saints' NM  
 10.30am Online Benefice Service  
 12.30am Baptism: St Andrew's H  
 Come and Sing Evensong: St Michael's Blewbury  
 3pm Learn and Sing followed by 4.30pm Tea and cake.  
 5pm Evensong: St Michael's B  
 5pm Organ Recital: St Andrew's H  
 6pm Service of the Word: St Andrew's H



*Sidesmen,  
 those who  
 help with  
 hospitality  
 & catering.  
 Flower  
 arrangers.*

3 Monday

8pm online Compline

4 Tuesday

8pm online Compline

5 Weds

### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H  
 8pm Benefice Eucharist with ashing: St Mary's U

8pm online Compline

6 Thursday

8pm online Compline

7 Friday

10.30am Lent Course with Jenny Loder\*

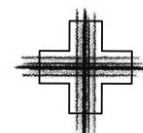
8pm online Compline

8 Saturday

12.30 to 2pm Lent Lunch: St Andrew's H

### **9 +Sunday FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

9.15am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U  
 10.30am Taizé Service: St Michael's B  
 10.30am Online Benefice Service  
 10.30am Parish Eucharist: St John the Baptist SM  
 4pm Service of the Word: All Saints' NM  
 6pm Service of the Word: St Andrew's H  
 7.15pm Online Lent Talk with Fr Jason\*



*Pastoral  
 care and  
 visiting.*

10 Monday

8pm online Compline

11 Tuesday

8pm online Compline

12 Weds

10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H  
 7.30pm Lent Course with Revd Louise\*

8pm online Compline

13 Thursday

3-4.30pm Lent Visit: St Andrew's H with Fr Jason\*

8pm online Compline

14 Friday

10.30am Lent Course with Jenny Loder\*

8pm online Compline

15 Saturday

12noon Baptism: St John the Baptist SM  
 12.30 to 2pm Lent Lunch: St Andrew's H

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**\*Please see page 16 for full details of the Lent Groups.**



## The Churn Benefice's Churches are:

St Andrew's Hagbourne (H), St Mary's Upton (U), St Michael's Blewbury (B),  
 All Saints' Aston Upthorpe (AU), St Michael's Aston Tirrold (AT),  
 St John the Baptist South Moreton (SM), All Saints' North Moreton (NM)

# ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, HAGBOURNE

The United Benefice of Blewbury, East and West Hagbourne and Upton together with Aston Tirrold, Aston Upthorpe, North Moreton and South Moreton.

## Rector's Reflections

### Come Celebrate With us!

As you may or may not know, our group of churches has a commitment to celebrate the world of Science, and we do this in many different ways. Every so often, we offer science based holiday clubs for all the family. We also write and preach about Science, and hold Services specifically to celebrate the work and role of Scientists in our modern world.

British  
Science  
Week



Science is one of God's greatest gifts to humankind, and it is only right to celebrate all that Science contributes to our understanding of the world and our flourishing as human beings.

I am convinced that there is absolutely no conflict between good science and good religion. Unfortunately there is such a thing as bad science as well as bad religion, and misunderstandings and conflict can arise when bad science comes into contact with bad religion. But good science and good religion can and do get along very well together.

**This month, we will be celebrating British Science Week (7th March – 16th March). As part of our celebrations, we will be marking Sunday 16th March as Science Sunday. In the informal 10.30am Service at St Andrew's Hagbourne, Dr Andrew Kaye will be giving a talk on "Science, Astronomy and the Date of Easter". In the informal 6pm service that evening, again at St Andrew's Hagbourne, I will be giving a short talk headed "The Role of Science in the Modern World: Challenges and Possibilities".**

During the week, I will also be writing a series of short reflections on how Science and Religion can work together to address and hopefully solve at least some of the pressing problems faced by our world today. The series will be entitled: " **Hope for the Future through the Partnership of Science and Religion**". I am convinced that an effective partnership of Science and Religion has the potential to give us real hope for the future. Yes, our world faces many serious problems, and at times it can be easy to feel a sense of despair. But there are still grounds for hope, and an effective partnership between Science and Religion can help to make these hopes a reality.

**So do come and celebrate British Science Week with us – it is a celebration for everyone, scientist and non-scientist alike. All are welcome! Fr Jason.**



## Benefice Ash Wednesday Service

Eucharist with Ashing  
Wednesday, 5th March

8pm at St Mary's, Upton – All welcome!



## Free Organ recitals St Andrew's Church

*Every first Sunday of the month at 5pm for thirty minutes*

**Next Recital: Sunday 2nd March at 5pm**

**"Celebrating St David and all things Welsh"**

Please do join us to hear our lovely organ played by our organ playing friends and stay for refreshments and maybe following that the Service of the Word at 6pm. Flyers in Church.

## Church Calendar and Diary for March 2025 continued . . .

### **16 +Sunday SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – SCIENCE SUNDAY**

9am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's AT  
 10.30am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's B  
 10.30am All Age Service: St Andrew's H  
 10.30am Online Benefice Service  
 12.30am Baptism: St Andrew's H  
 3pm Service celebrating St Patrick: St Mary's U  
 4pm Service of the Word: All Saints' NM  
 6pm Service of the Word: St Andrew's H



**Prayer Focus:**  
*Families, Family  
 Services and  
 Mothers' Union.*

17 Monday 7.15pm Online Lent Talk with Fr Jason\*

8pm Online Compline

18 Tuesday

8pm Online Compline

19 Weds 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H

8pm Online Compline

20 Thursday 10am MU Holy Communion: St Michael's B

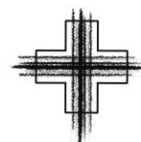
8pm Online Compline

3-4.30pm Lent Visit: St Mary's Upton with Fr Jason\*

21 Friday 10.30am Lent Course with Jenny Loder\*

8pm Online Compline

22 Saturday 12.30 to 2pm Lent Lunch: St Andrew's H



### **23 +Sunday THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

9.15am BCP Eucharist: St Mary's U  
 10.30am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's B  
 10.30am Online Benefice Service  
 4pm Service of the Word: All Saints' NM  
 6pm Service of the Word: St Andrew's H

*Outreach and  
 Parish magazines.*

24 Monday 7.15pm Online Lent Talk with Fr Jason\*

8pm Online Compline

25 Tuesday

8pm Online Compline

26 Weds 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H

8pm Online Compline

27 Thursday 3-4.30pm Lent Visit: St Michael's Blewbury with Fr Jason\*

8pm Online Compline

28 Friday 10.30am Lent Course with Jenny Loder\*

8pm Online Compline

29 Saturday 12.30 to 2pm Lent Lunch: St Andrew's H

### **30 +Sunday MOTHERING SUNDAY (FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT)**

10.30am Village Service: St Michael's B  
 10.30am Online Benefice Service  
 3pm Mothering Sunday Service: St Mary's U  
 4pm Service of the Word: All Saints' NM  
 6pm Service of the Word: St Andrew's H



*All the Churches in  
 our Benefice and  
 our relationships  
 together.*

31 Monday 7.15pm Online Lent Talk with Fr Jason\*

8pm Online Compline

**\*Please see page 16 for full details of the Lent Groups.**

## How to contact the Churn Benefice:

**BENEFICE OFFICE - 01235 850267**

**Churn Website: [www.churnchurches.co.uk](http://www.churnchurches.co.uk)**

The Benefice Operations Manager, Elaine de Ridder, is available from 9.00 am - 2.30pm Monday to Friday, contact on 01235 850267 or 07434 686044 during office hours.

Bookings for Weddings, Baptisms etc. may be made by contacting the office via telephone or email: [office@churnchurches.co.uk](mailto:office@churnchurches.co.uk)

**Father Jason St John Nicolle – 01235 850267 – [office@churnchurches.co.uk](mailto:office@churnchurches.co.uk)**

**Revd Louise Butler – 07837 009730 – [revlouiseb@aol.com](mailto:revlouiseb@aol.com)**

**Revd John Clarke – 01235 510073 – [jphclarke@gmail.com](mailto:jphclarke@gmail.com)**

**Revd Dr Mark Rhodes-Smith – 01235 850267 – [mark.rhodes-smith@churnchurches.co.uk](mailto:mark.rhodes-smith@churnchurches.co.uk)**



## Lent starts on 5th March with the Benefice Ash Wednesday Service at 8pm – St Mary's Upton.

Various activities will be happening in the Benefice to mark this season, and some of the highlights are:

### Father Jason's very popular visits to our Benefice Churches.

This year Fr Jason will be talking on **THE FASCINATING WORLD OF MONUMENTS AND MEMORIALS** - looking at Church monuments and the stories they tell. This will take the form of an Online Talk followed by a visit to the Church later that week.

There will be an Online Talk on the **Monday** about the Church and Memorials of that week. Three days later on the **Thursday** Fr Jason will lead the talk **AT** the Church. **The first Church will be St Andrew's. Please see leaflet in Church for all the times, dates and details and page 16 of this magazine.**

**Our Churches Together Group** will be reflecting on the connection between Psalm 23 and Jesus as the Good Shepherd in St John's Gospel on a Friday morning. Everyone welcome!

Revd Louise will also lead a couple of **HOME GROUP TASTER SESSIONS**. The first will be on **Wednesday 12th March** on the theme of **BEGINNINGS**.

Time: 7.30pm - 9pm; Venue: The Charity School House, Church Road, Blewbury.

More details including all of our Holy Week services are in the leaflets which are available in Church or on the website <https://www.churnchurches.co.uk/whats-on/notices/>



## Mothering Sunday – 30th March

We will not be having a Morning Service on Mothering Sunday this year at St Andrew's when we would normally hand out posies of flowers for Mothers at the Service. **However, posies will be available at Church to be given out at the LENT LUNCH on Saturday 29th March, 12.30 to 2pm.** There will be an 6pm Evening Service at St Andrew's on this Sunday.



## Benefice Online Church Service . . . Please help spread the

**word about our regular online Church Service!** The technology is easy to master but Elaine is happy to assist with setting it up. If you haven't joined us recently, please note that your "GoToMeeting" software will need an update.

The process is very straight forward but will take a little bit of extra time.

**Every Sunday at 10.30 using this link: Computer, tablet, smartphone**

<https://meet.goto.com/ChurnBenefice/sundayservice> **New user** <https://meet.goto.com/install>

**Weekday evening Compline** at 8.00pm for 10 minutes. Access via

<https://meet.goto.com/312446493>

If you would like to be added to our weekly mailing list to receive the **Churn newsletter**, please contact Elaine or you can sign up here <http://eepurl.com/iEcD8A>.

You can also sign up for the **"Rector's Reflections"** which are sent out most weekdays.

The Rector's Reflections sign up link is <http://eepurl.com/iEix4A>

**Home Communion** is available to anyone who is unable to get to Church through sickness or frailty, either for a short time or on a long term basis. If you, or anyone you know, would like to receive Holy Communion at home please contact the office 01235 850267 and Elaine will arrange it for you.



**Tower Talk** The Ringers Supper took place on Wednesday 26th February in The Fleur where many of us enjoyed a lovely meal followed by our usual game of Left, Right and Centre. A good time was had by all. Many thanks to The Fleur and also to Jeff, our Tower Chairman, for organising this fun event again this year. The tower AGM was held on Tuesday 25th after a shorten ringing practice.

**Birthdays:** Sunday 2nd March - Laura Makin, Monday 3rd March - Mary Napper.  
**Happy Anniversary** to Jeff and Coral Powell.  
Mothering Sunday is on 30th March.

Shirley Goss.

**Churchwardens chatter** So Spring is finally making itself felt. The churchyard looks lovely with all the snowdrops showing themselves. And the stone wall work is coming along nicely.

Every six years we are required to update the **Church Electoral Roll** and that is this year. If you would like to become a member of the Church, please collect a form from the back of the Church, or me, and return it when completed to me or in an envelope at the back of the Church. Thank you.

The fund raising continues and the **Jazz Concert** was a great success Thank you for organising such a great afternoon of entertainment. A good number of people arrived on the Saturday before it to clean the Church and what a good job they made!! Thank you all so much for helping us to keep our Church looking loved and clean! I am trying to make **Church Cleaning** a more enjoyable occasion and am playing with the idea of having a monthly week of cleaning. I am thinking of making the last week of the month a "cleaning" week. By that, I am hoping that people will volunteer to clean a Church zone sometime during the last week of the month at a time that they find most convenient. If you let me know what zone and when, then I can ensure that the whole Church will be cleaned. I have been thinking of zones and wondered if this would do: Zone A Kitchen, Zone B Toilet, Zone C Nave, Zone D Side Aisles, Zone E Choir Stalls, Zone F High Altar, Zone G Lady Chapel, Zone H Porches.

I'm more than happy to ignore this idea if you think I should. The **Lent Lunches** will start very soon, if you haven't signed up yet it's not too late. All help will be gratefully received. Shirley does such a great job organising this and it is a most enjoyable way to spend a Saturday lunchtime in Lent.

**The Fete** will soon be on us and if you can help in any way, please let us know.

Thank you all for your support. Jane and Jill.

**St Andrew's Church Electoral Roll** It is now time to update our Church Electoral Roll. The forms are available on the table at the back of the Church. Please could you complete a form and return to Jill Garlick or leave it in Church in an envelope marked Electoral Roll. Thank you.

**FLOWER ARRANGERS - Mothering Sunday** There will not be a Morning Service in Church on Mothering Sunday, 30th March, this year, so we thought it would be good to have posies available at the Lent Lunch of the Saturday 29th March. It would be lovely if you could make some posies and bring them to Church on the morning of 29th March Very many thanks – as ever – for all your help and wonderful arrangements. Helen Clayson.

### **Baptisms in the Benefice**

15th February **Isla Rose Nombreuse** was baptised at St John the Baptist, South Moreton.

22nd February **Alfred Laszlo Marffy** was baptised at St Michael's Aston Tirrold.

*May God's blessing of peace and joy be with them and protect them all of their days.*

### **Funerals in the Benefice**

6th February at St Michael's Blewbury with Burial at St Mary's Upton **Jessie Mae West** aged 86

10th February at St Michael's Blewbury **Derek Stephen Whitmell** aged 84

25th February at North Oxfordshire Crematorium **James Samuel Lisle** aged 62

27th February at St Michael's Blewbury **Kathleen Barbara Butler** aged 71

*May they rest in peace and rise in glory.*



***Please save the date:***  
**Monday 5th May 2025**



***Run ... Walk ... Support ... Eat Cake!***

Whether or not you relish covering 4½ miles of glorious South Oxfordshire countryside by foot on your Bank Holiday, please do join us for one of the biggest events in our village calendar and help us raise money for good causes.

**Prizes include for fastest under 9s, under 16s, locals and best fancy dress!  
So do get in training (and dig deep into your dressing up box...)**

***For more details please keep an eye on our facebook page:  
[www.facebook.com/hagbournefunrun](http://www.facebook.com/hagbournefunrun)***



## **Lent Lunches at St Andrew's Church**

**There will be hot soup lunches served at  
St Andrew's Church on Saturdays between  
12:30 – 2:00pm during Lent from the  
8th March – 12th April (inclusive).**

The lunch will consist of homemade soup, fresh bread and cheese, fruit and/or cake plus a cup of tea or coffee. If there is anyone who would like to run one or more of the Lent Lunches there is a sign-up sheet in Church or you can contact me, Shirley Goss, on 01235 815605 or e-mail [shirley.goss@btinternet.com](mailto:shirley.goss@btinternet.com) You are welcome to run a lunch in aid of a charity of your choice but we would ask for a small donation to the Church. I can provide an information sheet re: running the lunch.

**These are popular especially in the cold weather so please come and support us.**

Please note that the last of the Lent Lunches, **Saturday 12th April**, will be in aid of **Sobell House** further information on this in the April magazine. P.S. If we do not get people to sign up to run a lunch then it will not happen, but I will keep you informed. **Shirley Goss**

**ROTAS – please note that the Church Rotas for March are on page 13.**

# ***Scarecrow Trail***

***in East Hagbourne 2025***



CUP FOR THE  
WINNING  
SCARECROW

***Theme:***

***"Fictional Characters  
from Books"***

***Scarecrow Trail . . .***

***. . . for everyone to follow  
and vote for your favourite  
Scarecrow . . .***

**Saturday 24th May  
until Sunday 8th June.**

**Buy your maps for £1 from the  
Community Shop and The Fleur  
from Saturday 24th May  
in order to follow and vote for  
your favourite scarecrow.**

**From Monday 17th March, entry forms will be available at the  
Community Shop, or you will be able to print your own from  
[www.easthagbourne.net](http://www.easthagbourne.net). Additionally, it will be published in  
the April parish magazine.**

**Entry forms to be returned by Sunday 4th May.**

**Profits will be shared between Oxfordshire Wildlife Rescue  
and WaterAid.**



**Hagbourne Garden Club** will be meeting on **Thursday, 27th March** at the Pavilion. Doors will open for refreshments at 7pm. The talk will start at 7.30pm. The speaker this month is **Rachel Siegfried** of "**Green and Gorgeous**" who will be talking on: **Growing perennials and woody plants for cutting**. Recommendations and growing advice on the best perennials and woody plants (shrubs) for floral arrangements. Visitors most welcome at £5 per person.

Plenty of parking at the Pavilion. For information call Sally: 01235 352275



# East Hagbourne Safari Supper

**Saturday, 10th May 2025**

It is now time to sign up for the 6th East Hagbourne Safari Supper which this year is in aid of Friends of St Andrew's, which raises funds towards the upkeep of the fabric of Hagbourne Church and Medecins Sans Frontieres, UK, who are part of an international humanitarian organisation providing vital medicine and care for the people who need it the most in more than 70 countries.

The price of the 3-course dinner including pre-dinner drinks and coffee and mints is £30 per person and everyone takes their own drinks. Here is our proposed itinerary for the evening:

- 6.30 pm** MEET at St Andrew's Church for a drink and some canapés. There you will be given an envelope containing the name and address of your host for the main course.
- 7.30 pm** WALK to the main course venue taking your own drinks with you. At the end of the main course a second envelope will be given with your dessert location.
- 8.45 pm** WALK to the dessert venue.
- 9.45 pm** WALK to the Fleur de Lys for coffee and mints and the opportunity to buy an after-dinner drink to round off the evening.

In order to get this event off the ground, we need you to sign up, letting us know if you are willing to host a main course or dessert course which (including yourselves) would ideally be for 6 to 10 people or more, provide canapes for 15 people or simply to come along and safari around the village.

For those willing to host or provide canapés, there will be the following discounts to help towards expenses:-

	Discount to total cost	ie. Cost for single host	ie. Cost for couple hosting
Canapes	£5	£25	£55
Main Course	£15	£15	£45
Dessert Course	£10	£20	£50

Please fill in the slip below along with your payment and return by 22nd April to either:

Di Duff – 24 Main Road [dianajduff@gmail.com](mailto:dianajduff@gmail.com) (01235-813349)  
 Vivien Stocks – 26 Main Road [vivstocks@aol.com](mailto:vivstocks@aol.com) (01235-815344)

Payment details:

BACS – Account: "V Stocks" Account No. 63432268 Sort Code 30-97-81 Reference: your Surname  
 Cheque made out to: "V Stocks" and returned with your slip.



<b>Name(s)</b>		<b>No. participants</b>
<b>Email address:</b>		<b>Tel. No.</b>
<b>Amount paid:</b>	<b>Cheque:</b>	<b>BACS:</b>
<b>Address:</b>		
<b>Dietary Restrictions:</b>		
I would like to just safari around village		
I would be willing to host a main course for _____ people in total		
I would be willing to host a dessert course for _____ people in total		
I would be willing to help provide canapes for 15 people		

*The Hagbourne Action Group: Doug Amos, Di Duff, Mary Harrison, Susan Proctor, Alice Smith, Vivien Stocks, Marian Varnom*

Fed up with the changeable weather? Wishing we could look forward to some sunshine? Well, according to the Met Office, meteorological spring begins on 1st March, yet this year the astronomical start of spring is on Thursday, 20th March. Hopefully that sunshine we are craving for will arrive just in time for our Jhamboree dress rehearsal on 23rd March.

With posters and banners now appearing in the neighbourhood, realisation has dawned on the cast and crew that the first performance is just round the corner. There is now a buzz of excitement, apprehension and sometimes terror in the camp. The favourite catchphrase is, "It'll be alright on the night!", and from past history that will be borne out during performance week.

**Tickets are now available for the performances in Hagbourne Village Hall on Wednesday 26th, Friday 28th and Saturday 29th March.**



**Tickets are available from: East Hagbourne Community Shop  
Box Office: 01235 814140  
[www.wegotickets.com/HAMS](http://www.wegotickets.com/HAMS)  
Adults - £10; Children/Students - £7**

email: [info@thehams.co.uk](mailto:info@thehams.co.uk).

[www.thehams.co.uk](http://www.thehams.co.uk)

## LET'S DANCE! . . .

**Hagbourne Barn Dance Club** – an evening of Traditional English Dance is held on the third Friday of the month at the Hagbourne Village Hall at 8pm to 11pm. Please bring your own mug and plate (saves washing up). **Next session: 21st March.**

**Scottish Country Dancing** – if you enjoy dancing then why not give Scottish Country Dancing a go? We meet at Chilton Village Hall on Tuesday evenings at 7.45pm. We are a friendly club that welcomes beginners and experienced dancers alike. You don't have to be Scottish to join! No partner is required, and it is a sociable way for all ages to have exercise and fun! Please visit our website: <https://harwellscdc.mno.org.uk> for more details.

## HUGS - Hagbournes and Upton Group for Sustainability



**STORMS but not in a teacup**  
Extreme weather events are now more frequent and intense worldwide – with high financial, social, and environmental costs.



Flooded Parsonage Lane

At local level, the second wettest period in the UK on record (October 23rd to March 24th) brought extreme flooding to East Hagbourne and the set-up of Hakka's Brook village flood group, whose twenty-one members now monitor and work to keep our drains and ditches clear.

**What next?** Climate scientists warn a warmer planet will bring more extreme weather. 2024 brought blistering temperatures to Africa, drought to the Amazon, intense rainfall in central Europe, strong tropical storms to South Asia and North America, devastating wildfires in California. Global average temperatures for 2024 were around 1.6C above those of the pre-industrial period. While links between global warming and the impact on extreme weather events are complicated, scientists agree that climate change – while not the only factor – is definitely key.

This crisis is unfolding in front of our eyes, yet efforts to address the big causes - including fossil fuels and deforestation, have been slow. But there are reasons to be hopeful. We can limit the increase in carbon dioxide by reducing the burning of fossil fuels, we can disbelieve greenwashing, we can make polluters pay. If the world's nations deliver on their recent global climate conference commitments, warming could be held below 2C. It's a big 'if'.



**Yet we can, like Hakka's Brook flood group – act at local level.** We can use our votes and voices to make regulators and corporations encourage sustainability, stop governments backtracking from their promises and build momentum for change to net zero. In the meantime, let's all have a cup of tea and browse some other ways to help on our website (<https://www.hugsustainability.org/sustainability>).



**Sunday Club** In the Parish Room at St Andrew's, Hagbourne on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am, joining parents in the Church Service later. Bible stories, circle time, drawing, colouring, painting, crafts and more. Ages 4 - 11. Encourages children to interact with each other and adults, make friends, be creative. A gentle introduction to Christian values.  
**Next date: Sunday 2nd March. ALL WELCOME.**



OXFORDSHIRE YOUNG FARMERS  
COUNTY SHOW AND RALLY AT  
SHEENCROFT FARM BLEWBURY OX11 9ED  
SATURDAY 17TH MAY 2025

### Oxfordshire Young Farmers County Show and Rally – 17th May 2025

This is the annual Oxfordshire Federation of Young Farmers Club County Show and Rally, where Abingdon, Bicester, Enstone, Farringdon, Henley and Witney come together to showcase to the public the kinds of activities the young people are involved in. The day provides entertainment in the main ring, meet Kaleb Cooper from Clarkson's Farm, mini ring for YFC activities, Dog Show, 200 trade stands and stalls, Craft stalls, food area, exhibitions, farming demonstrations, animals, tractors both modern and vintage, Bouncy castle, Go karts and many kids activities throughout the day! A great day out - lots to do & see.

<https://oxfordshireyfccountyshow.org.uk/>

Hosted by Abingdon Young Farmers.

**TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW.**

# East Hagbourne Community Shop

## Coffee Morning

### All Welcome!



**Saturday 15th March 10.30-12.30**  
**Hagbourne Village Hall**

*Join us for coffee and homemade cake*

*Meet the team*

*Find out about Community shop*

*Learn how you can help*

*Bring your ideas !*

*East Hagbourne community shop serving the community*

*Use it or lose it!!*

## Save the Dates:

- **COFFEE MORNING Saturday 15th March 10:30 – 12:30, Village Hall**  
Join us for a chat over a coffee and homemade cake to meet the team & share ideas to help us help our community!
- **EASTER STALL Saturday 12th April 9 – 12:30, outside the Shop, 114 New Road**  
Join us for a complimentary cuppa and hot cross bun while you browse Heritage Bakery goodies, Easter treats, cards, chocolates, home-made cakes and organic soaps and sweet potted flowers.
- **HAMS Jhamboree tickets on sale now!**  
Stop in during Shop hours, or visit:  
<http://www.thehams.co.uk>

**Visit the Community Shop on Facebook, or on the village website at: [easthagbourne.net/our-village/shop-post-office/](http://easthagbourne.net/our-village/shop-post-office/)**

**“How can I help support the Community Shop and PO?”** We are often asked this – not everyone has time to volunteer. Thank you for asking! The Community Shop was founded in 2003 to cover lease and utility expenses to help keep our local Post Office open – so one of the easiest and most effective ways to help is to direct £2 - £5 of your weekly spend to the Shop for groceries, household staples or gifts.

**What to buy?** Local free-range eggs, home-made cakes, Heritage Bakery goods, local honey, Calnan's award-winning sausages, high-quality frozen fish, local artists' cards, compost bin liners: all help support our local PO.

If we don't offer anything you *would* be willing to buy, please join us for a chat and a cuppa at our **15th March Coffee Morning at the Village Hall** and let us know what you'd like to see. Or ask the Volunteer on duty to take a note for the buyers. **Thank you for your support!**

## MARCH OPERATING HOURS

**Post Office:** Open Mornings Mon + Wed to Sat, 9–12:30pm, **CLOSED Tues & afternoons.**

Conduct personal or business banking, pay bills, get cash, top up prepaid cards/keys/mobiles.

**Shop:** Open Mon and Thu 9am to 4:30pm; Tue/Wed/Fri 9 to 4pm; Sat 9 to 12:30pm

**We have everything you need to celebrate the changing seasons this March:**

Flour, honey, syrup, icing sugar, lemon and chocolate spread for **Pancake Day 4th March**: sweet and savoury choices for **Pie Day 14th March**; and lovely and thoughtful locally designed cards or chocolate treats for **Mothering Sunday 30th March!**

You can pre-order artisanal Heritage Bakery breads, savouries and pastries **by 4pm Wednesday**, in Shop or by email to [easthagbourneshop@gmail.com](mailto:easthagbourneshop@gmail.com) to collect the following Saturday. Available products and allergen details in Shop or at [www.easthagbourne.net](http://www.easthagbourne.net). Or just take your chances – maybe you can score a Chelsea bun! **Don't forget homemade cake day on Thursdays.**



## Jazz in the Hagbournes

**Friends of St Andrew's Jazz Fundraiser** The Concert in the Church raised a healthy £660 for the Friends of St Andrew's. The Jamie Castell Quartet entertained a large audience for two hours, with a brilliant and interesting selection of jazz, ranging from Duke Ellington to Doris Day.

A big 'Thank You' to all those who helped. If this level of support continues, I hope another concert can be organised in the late Summer. I already have plans.....

**Jam at the Fleur** The Jam session at the Fleur goes from strength to strength, with thirteen musicians and four singers at the last one. The energy from the performers was quite extraordinary, and the music exceptional. Peter Hands.

**The next Jam is on Wednesday, 12th March at 8.00pm at The Fleur.**

**TABLE TENNIS at the Pavilion:** Join our friendly table-tennis group at the Pavilion for exercise and fun on Tuesday mornings. We play from 10am to 12noon, £2 per session. All ages, skills, welcome; bats available. More info from Julian 01235 813599 jgallop@freeuk.com  
Anthony 01235 511920 aannanjones@gmail.com

**FOOTBALL in East Hagbourne:** Hagbourne United FC plays regularly at East Hagbourne and welcomes new men and youth players.

Contacts: John Symonds 07831 714076 jesymonds29@gmail.com  
or Keith Davies 07810 504155 keith\_davies4@hotmail.co.uk

**HAGBOURNE BOWLS CLUB** We have an active and growing membership and in particular, our lady players have been making great progress in local leagues and friendlies, however, more players of any level are always needed. Whatever your bowls experience you'll find a warm welcome and many new friends at Hagbourne Bowls Club. For more info please contact our Ladies Captain: Sandy Budd on 07477 814801 or sandybudd@sky.com

**Midweek Communion** Everyone welcome to the Midweek Communion at **St Andrew's, Hagbourne, every Wednesday at 10am.** This is a said Communion Service without hymns and the opportunity to stay for a coffee afterwards and a chat.

**This is a popular Service - all welcome.**

ROTAS	2nd March Sunday next of Lent	16th March Science Sunday	April 6th 5th Sunday of Lent	<u>General Notes</u> <i>I am considering changing the cleaning rota to a monthly cleaning week! Maybe the last week of the month volunteers to clean a particular area in the church at a time of their convenience might be a good idea, What do you think?</i>  <i>You could let me know which zone you want to do and on what day and I could ensure that the whole church will be clean and tidy for the following month. Jill</i>  <b>Flower Arrangers: Please see note on page 6 of the magazine. Thank you.</b>
<b>Readers</b>	Exodus 34. 29-end Sally Duncan  2 Corinthians 3. 12-4.2 Jeff Powell	Genesis 15. 1-12, 17-18 Andrew Kaye  Philippians 3. 17-4.1 Mo Windsor	TBA	
<b>Intercessions</b>	Celebrant	Celebrant	Celebrant	
<b>Sidesmen</b>	Robin Harries Jane Blond	Myra Hardiman Jacqui Mackenzie	Trevor Goss Sally Duncan	
<b>Coffee</b>	Richard Powell Marian Powell	Jill Garlick Gillian Harries	Shirley Goss Helen Clayson	
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Cordelia Barbara	Ellen Bollick	Alice Smith Christine Wood	
<b>Flowers Lady Chapel</b>	Marian Powell	No Flowers	No Flowers	
<b>Flowers High Altar</b>	Helen Clayson	No Flowers	No Flowers	

## Comments from the East Hagbourne Parish Council Chairman

**Housing Development by the Village Hall** The most obvious recent development has been the construction of the playground at the front of the site. Frustratingly, for some of our population, it is still fenced in and not available for play. A safety inspection was undertaken on 5th February and a RoSPA certificate has been issued. So, the only thing remaining before it is opened is that the grassed areas need to be ready. Deanfield has undertaken to install turf in the grass seeded areas, so that the opening of the playground can be expedited. Otherwise works on the site are nearing completion and a few loose ends need to be sorted before responsibility for the open areas, including the playground, are passed to Eaves Property Management and for water and wastewater to Leep Utilities. There are landscaping plans for the large open area in the front near the school playing fields that will include tussock grass planting and several trees. A recent amendment to the S73 plans is to designate the 11 2-bed shared ownership homes managed by Green Square Accord as affordable, thus meaning that just over 55% of the site is classed as affordable, even more than the upgraded proposal of 50% for new estates in the upcoming joint local plan.

**Volunteering** East Hagbourne prides itself on the amount of volunteer effort in the village, but there is no shortage of possibilities for those keen to occupy some of their spare time in worthy activities. For the Parish Council, we are currently looking for more volunteers for helping with Community Speedwatch which will shortly be restarting in the village. This activity, which does require some training, should be popular given the concern expressed about speeding in the village. Potential volunteers should contact the clerk or Robin Jaboor ([robin.jaboor@easthagbourne.net](mailto:robin.jaboor@easthagbourne.net)). Other areas needing volunteers include the Pavilion and Recreation Ground, Hagbourne Village Hall, Community Shop, footpath maintenance, flood group including stream monitoring, emergency plan support, Hagbourne Action Group, HUGS, and Church activities, including flower arranging, cleaning, fete etc.

Annual events needing volunteer support are litter picking (April), Fun Run (May), Church fete (June), Produce show (September), and Christmas Tree festival (December). If any of these trigger an interest in you but you don't know whom to contact, then most can be found on the village website (see below), or the brochure on clubs and activities in the village shop. The clerk or myself would be happy to advise even if most are not council activities.

**Village website** The village website URL is [easthagbourne.net](http://easthagbourne.net) and it contains fairly complete information on the Parish Council, including information on councillors, agenda and minutes of meetings, statutory and other documents including the Neighbourhood Plan .... In addition there are news items, including an online copy of the Parish Magazine, information on village history, and information on many groups and activities within the village.

As noted in our Parish page in this magazine, Councillor Cordelia Gover who does a great job managing the village website, is currently updating it and would very much welcome input from organizations to update their entries. Also, if you are involved in an activity not on the web, but you feel should be accessible, please check Cordelia ([cordelia.gover@easthagbourne.net](mailto:cordelia.gover@easthagbourne.net)) to see if it might be appropriate to include it.

**Parish Surgeries** The next parish surgery will be in the Fleur de Lys on Friday 21st March from 5.00 to 6.30 pm. As always, feel free to contact me ([iain.duff@easthagbourne.net](mailto:iain.duff@easthagbourne.net)), the clerk or any other councillor should you have urgent concerns.

**Parish Council meetings** The next meeting of East Hagbourne Parish Council will be held in the Community Room of the Pavilion in the Recreation Ground starting at 7.30pm on Thursday 13th March. Members of the public are welcome to join the meeting and the agenda is posted on village notice boards and the village web pages at least three clear days before the meeting. Although I often ask the clerk or a council member to review parts of this page, and I am grateful for any improvements, this is not a formal or even approved article from the Parish Council. I accept full responsibility for any errors or omissions, and do please alert me to any you find! Iain Duff



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**ANNUAL  
PARISH  
MEETING**

**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** The Annual Parish meeting is being held on Thursday 3rd April at the Pavilion, Great Mead. Refreshments from 7pm, ahead of the meeting at 7.30pm. Do come along to find out what the Parish Council has been up to this past year and hear about future plans. The agenda and further information will be posted in mid-March.



**EAST HAGBOURNE WEBSITE INFORMATION UPDATE**

If your group or organisation has a listing on [www.easthagbourne.net](http://www.easthagbourne.net) please check the details and contact Councillor Cordelia Gover who manages the website on [cordelia.gover@easthagbourne.net](mailto:cordelia.gover@easthagbourne.net) if any changes are required. If you would like your activity to be added to the site, please email your details for consideration.



**CHAIRMAN'S SURGERY – FRIDAY 21st MARCH**

Iain Duff will be at the Fleur de Lys on Friday 21st March from 5.00 to 6.30pm to welcome any residents with concerns or queries relating to matters in the parish.



**ADDITIONAL SUPPORT AVAILABLE:**

**SOFEA Didcot Community Larder** is open on Thursdays see [here](#) for information  
**Didcot Emergency Foodbank** is open at Didcot Baptist Church on Tuesdays & Fridays, see [here](#)  
**First Steps Baby Bank** at Didcot Baptist Church on Tuesdays and Fridays, see [here](#)

**Cost Of Living Crisis** An SODC page with a range of advice and support can be found [here](#)

**The Community Hub** can assist with isolation and financial help. Details can be found [here](#)

**Warm Welcome Space** at Didcot Library, see further info [here](#) for opening times & venues

**Hagbourne Charities** – [hagbourne.charities@gmail.com](mailto:hagbourne.charities@gmail.com) or 01235 814024

**East and West Hagbourne Fund** – Contact David Stainthorp on 07711 802887 or email [hagbournevillagefund@gmail.com](mailto:hagbournevillagefund@gmail.com)

**East Hagbourne (Coronavirus) Community Support Group** - [easthagbournecovid19@gmail.com](mailto:easthagbournecovid19@gmail.com) or 07568 395228



**DEFIBRILLATORS:** The village defibrillators are available 24/7 at the following locations:  
**Outside the Village Shop** at 114 New Road **Hagbourne Village Hall** (next to the main entrance)  
**Hagbourne Bowls Club** on The Croft (defibrillator is wall mounted outside the gate)  
**In an emergency, call 999 – they will give you the access code.**



**USEFUL INFORMATION LINKS:**

<https://www.fixmystreet.com/> for reporting a wide variety of issues from potholes to fly tipping.

<https://publicrightsofway.oxfordshire.gov.uk/standardmap.aspx> can be used to report an issue with a countryside path or public right of way.

<https://www.southoxon.gov.uk/south-oxfordshire-district-council/recycling-rubbish-and-waste> for information on waste services and reporting missed bin collections.

Get the **Binzone** app on your mobile to receive notifications of bin services in East Hagbourne  
<https://one.network/> for checking roadworks in the area



*Planning applications received since the last newsletter:*

**P24/S3787/FUL** and **P24/S3788/LB** Lime Tree Farm, Main Road, East Hagbourne – Change of use from existing 5 bed dwelling to create two dwellings, one with 3 bedrooms and one with 2 bedrooms, via erection of dividing partitions.

**P25/S0326/HH** 3 Windsor Crescent, East Hagbourne - two storey rear extension and first floor side extension.

**P25/S0349/HH** 41 Blewbury Road, East Hagbourne – Detached annexe in rear garden.

**P25/S0281/FUL** Tudor House, Main Road, East Hagbourne – Change of use from allotments to private garden

**P25/S0541/FUL** 89 New Road, East Hagbourne – New 3-bedroom dwelling. Fenestration alterations to existing dwelling

**The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 13th March 2025 at The Pavilion, Great Mead**

All Council meetings are open to the public and we welcome your participation.

Agendas and Minutes of previous are published at [www.easthagbourne.net](http://www.easthagbourne.net)

## The Churn Benefice Lent Groups for 2025

### † **THE FASCINATING WORLD OF MONUMENTS AND MEMORIALS**

Father Jason will be leading a tour around the churches looking at church monuments and the stories they tell. There will also be a short online session earlier in the week using the compline link

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/312446493>

Monday 10th March 7.15pm online and in person on Thursday 13th March 3-4.30pm **St Andrew's Hagbourne**

Monday 17th March 7.15pm online and in person on Thursday 20th March 3-4.30pm **St Mary's Upton**

Monday 24th March 7.15pm online and in person on Thursday 27th March 3-4.30pm **St Michael's Blewbury**

Monday 31st March 7.15pm online and in person on Thursday 3rd April 3-4.30pm **St Michael's Aston Tirrold**

Monday 7th April 7.15pm online and in person on Thursday 10th April 3-4.30pm **All Saints North Moreton**



### † **CHURCHES TOGETHER LENT GROUP 2025**

Led by the Rev. Josie Midwinter and meeting at Jenny Loder's house, 75 Loyd Road in Didcot, on Friday mornings from 10.30 am - 12 noon, beginning on Friday 7th March. We shall be studying the Lent course **Fleeting Shadows: How Christ transforms the darkness** by Malcolm Duncan, exploring and reflecting on the connection between Psalm 23 and Jesus as the Good Shepherd in St John's Gospel. The events around Easter inevitably lead us to reflect on how God can turn darkness into light. Draw closer to God and be reminded that no matter how dark things might seem, God is closer than you think. Contact Jenny on 01235 510199

### † **HOME GROUP TASTER SESSIONS**

*with refreshments!* Sessions led by Revd Louise on **four Ws**  
**Welcome, Worship, Word and Witness**

**Wednesday 12th March**

Theme: **BEGINNINGS**. *Optional* - bring a photo or memento of your youth

**Wednesday 9th April**

Theme: **EASTER weekend**. *Optional* - bring a picture or object that tells an Easter Story

**TIME:** 7.30pm - 9pm

**VENUE:** The Charity School House, Church Road, Blewbury OX11 9PY  
by kind permission of Joss & Julia Saunders. If you come by car, please park in the benefice car park and walk to the south side of the church

† **QUIET TIME — ONLINE COMPLINE** Every weekday Monday to Friday at 8pm there is a short online service of reflective night prayer or "compline". It lasts about 10 minutes and is a wonderful way of winding down at the end of the day.

Join <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/312446493>.

**There are leaflets in St Andrew's giving full details of the Lent Season, Holy Week and Easter.**



### Looking for something different?

**Blewbury's Taizé Service: every second Sunday of the month at 10.30am at St Michael's, Blewbury**

This is a quiet, reflective Service with Bible readings, prayer, silence and singing as well as the opportunity to light candles. It is easy to learn Taizé chants as they are repeated again and again, just using a few words.

These chants become a way of speaking to and listening to God. Our service shares the ethos of the Taizé Community which is located in the village of Taizé in Burgundy. We welcome people from all denominations and cultures – those who have a Christian faith and those who struggle to believe. We sing in different languages to reflect this but English translations of what we are singing are also provided. Please do join us and bring your friends.

**Hagbourne Bridge Club** **If you can play bridge but haven't done so for a while – give us a go!** If you have never learnt to play bridge but would like to give it a try, why not come and see us? We meet every Thursday in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. We have a break around 8.30pm for light refreshments and usually finish playing cards by 10pm. It will cost you £3. We look forward to seeing you. We are: Jill Garlick – 07873431144 [hjgarlick@gmail.com](mailto:hjgarlick@gmail.com) and Shirley Goss – 815605 [shirley.goss@btinternet.com](mailto:shirley.goss@btinternet.com)

**Wednesday Sewing Class** Places available in The Wednesday Sewing Class for complete beginners through to the more experienced sewer. The class is from 12:30 to 3:30 in the Hagbourne Village Hall. Places available for the Spring term. Please contact [sue.somani@sky.com](mailto:sue.somani@sky.com) 07748 771188

**Ladies Thirsty Thursday (LTT)** The Ladies Thirsty Thursday meets on the third Thursday of each month in The Fleur from 7.30pm for a friendly drink (or two) and an opportunity to meet other ladies in the village. Everyone is welcome, so come and join us, and spread the word. and we look forward to seeing you at the next gathering which will be on **Thursday 20th March**.

**Didcot and District U3a** Come along to the monthly meetings held on the **third Tuesday of every month at the Didcot Civic Hall starting at 2:30pm**. New members are always warmly welcomed to join and chat over tea and biscuits. The next meeting is on **Tuesday, 18th March** with a talk by the popular Timothy Walker on **Shrunken Gardens - moving and making a new small garden from scratch!** For additional information go to [membership@didcotu3a.org](mailto:membership@didcotu3a.org)

**Coffee Mornings . . .** All welcome to pop into St Andrew's on Wednesday mornings each week, after the midweek Communion, about 10.45, for a coffee and a chat, and don't forget the Community Shop are holding a Coffee Morning at the Village Hall on Saturday 15th March from 10.30 to 12.30am

## HAGBOURNE CHURCH FETE



**Saturday 21st June 2025**

**St Andrew's Church**

**1pm to 4pm**

**Save the Date in your Diary**



### **Bus service to the Churchill, Nuffield and Warneford Hospitals**

**The bus to catch for any of these hospitals from the centre of Oxford is number 15 which is every 1/4 hour during the day, taking 10-12 minutes, longer at busy times.** You can catch it near the entrance to the Covered Market or near Queen's Lane. Those stops work whether you're connecting from Didcot with the Thames Travel X32 or, quicker but more walking, using the train from Didcot. The set down points are announced on the bus; for the Warneford, Warneford Road; for the Churchill, Roosevelt Drive; for the Nuffield, the stop is further on, called Lime Walk, and is actually in Old Road near the Old Road entrance to the hospital. **The website for the 15** is <https://www.oxfordbus.co.uk/services/OXBC/15>, where you can also find a useful bus map and even live information. When using the X32 to Oxford, it's also possible to connect with the 15 near the Police Station, generally fewer people trying to get on at once.



**First Steps Baby Bank** First Steps Baby Bank is a non-profit organisation, providing essential baby items, free of charge to families in need in Didcot and the surrounding villages, including East and West Hagbourne.

The Baby Bank relies solely on funding and donations from the local community in order to provide support. Donations can be in the form of new and pre loved items alongside financial contributions.

The Baby Bank was started by Gemma and Leanne, both mums themselves, who had heard of other baby banks across the country and discovered how much of a positive impact one would be for families in our area.

In order for families to access the Baby Bank, they require a referral from a professional person working alongside them, a list of these can be found on the website. They accept one off referrals as well as ongoing support. There are many reasons for referral and families from all backgrounds are helped regardless of their situation. The Baby Bank currently supports children up to the age of 2 years old, including expectant mums. To find out how to donate, to refer a family in need or to access support please visit their website <http://www.firststepsbabybank.co.uk>

**Red Hat Project** The Women's Centre at the John Radcliffe Hospital has put out a call for some red knitted baby hats for the postnatal department. These hats are for babies who require extra observation when being care for on the Postnatal Ward. Parents and Carers can decline the use of a red hat if they wish. The ward expects to use about 30 to 50 hats each day. The Knitwits are busy knitting some of these hats and if you wish to make some, we have a pattern available and can suggest a yarn. The hats should be 13/14cms x 13/14cms flattened with a 28cm circumference. Please contact [magtemp5@gmail.com](mailto:magtemp5@gmail.com) for details. Thank you to all who are making the 6" knitted squares which we have been sewing up into blankets. We recently sent 6 large blankets, several jumpers and a batch of hats to Knit for Peace.

**Didcot Emergency Foodbank** The Didcot Emergency Foodbank is at The Didcot Baptist Church, 43 Wantage Road, Didcot. OX11 0BS Telephone 01235 813187.

**Email: [office@didcotbaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@didcotbaptist.org.uk)** An Emergency Foodbank is a practical, community-based project aimed at providing short term relief by giving food to people in crisis in our local area. The Didcot Emergency Foodbank serves Didcot and the immediate surrounding villages.

**There is very high demand on the Foodbank at the moment.** You can leave items in the supermarkets in Didcot, at Blewbury Post Office or make a money donation via the Foodbank.

**Contact details if you need to use the Foodbank or you would like to make a donation:**

You can leave a message on the Baptist Church Office answering machine on 01235 813 187 or you can email the Foodbank: [foodbank@didcotbaptist.org.uk](mailto:foodbank@didcotbaptist.org.uk) or use the [contact form](#) on the website.

**All donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you.**

## Local Bus Service 94 and 94A between Didcot, East and West Hagbourne, Upton via Blewbury, Aston Upthorpe and South and North Moreton.

		Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays)														This journey starts at St Birinus School on school days only.	
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South Moreton The Crown	▼	0801	0814	▼	▼	1050	▼	1250	▼	1450	1625	▼	▼	▼	▼	1900	▼
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Didcot Sandringham Road, Saxons Way	▼	0848	0948	▼	1148	▼	1348	▼	1548	▼	1748	▼	1948				
Didcot Orchard Centre	0826	0854	0954	1102	1154	1302	1354	1502	1554	1702	1754	1902	1954				
Didcot Parkway Railway Station R4	0831	0859	0959	1107	1159	1307	1359	1507	1559	1707	1759	1907	1959				
		No service on Sundays or Public Holidays															

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