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LENT.

The services at Badsey on Ash Wednesday will be: Holy Communion at 8, Morning Prayer and Litany at 11, Evening Prayer and Communion at 8. At Wickhamford there will be Morning Prayer, Litany, and Communion at 10.

The following will be the special preachers at Badsey:—

Thursday, March 12th.—Rev. H. Wilkinson, A.K.C.,
Vicar of Crophorne.

Wednesday, March 18th.—Rev. F. T. Marsh, B.A.,
L.Th., Rector of Sedgberrow.

Wednesday, March 25th.—(Lady Day).—Rev. J.
M. Walker, M.A., Vicar of Evesham
and Rural Dean.

Wednesday, April 1st.—Rev. W. H. Bolton, M.A.,
Vicar of Wick.

Wednesday, April 8th.—Rev. R. Eckett, M.A.,
Vicar of Quinton.

Service at 8 p.m.

On Sunday evenings the Vicar will preach a course of sermons on "Christ's Estimate of Himself."

Mar. 8th.—"I am the Good Shepherd."

„ 15th.—"I am the Door of the Sheep."

„ 22nd.—"I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life."

„ 29th.—"I am the Bread of Life."

April 5th (Passion Sunday).—"I am the True Vine."

„ 12th (Palm Sunday).—"I am the Light of the World."

„ 19th (Easter Day).—"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

At Wickhamford the Vicar will preach a course of sermons on Sunday afternoons (concluding on April 5th) on "Our Lord's Temptation."

A QUESTION OF HARMONY.

Ever since Mr. Beck's appointment as organist of Salford Priors much difficulty has been experienced

in finding someone to take his place at Badsey. The trouble has been due to the fact that no one could be found who was willing to share with another the duties of organist, and Mr. Honniball's university engagements would only allow of his coming to Badsey on alternate Sundays. To simplify matters, Mr. Honniball has now very courteously consented to resign and Mr. T. H. Knight has been appointed organist. Mr. Knight, as the majority of our readers are aware, has "the gift," and should make an efficient organist.

Our services at Badsey will, however, never be as bright and harmonious as they might be until we have a new organ. Taking into consideration the material in the choir and the amount of time devoted to practice the music at Badsey ought to be first-class for a village church, but this it will never be until we have an instrument better suited for accompanying voices. A move would have been made before now in the direction of raising funds for an organ had it not been felt that the parish had been "drained" by the calls made upon it on behalf of the new clock and bells. It is now, however, three years since the generosity of Badsey was put to any serious test, and it is therefore proposed to make an appeal forthwith on behalf of a new organ.

Mr. Whinfield (of the firm of Messrs. Nicholson, of Worcester) has been over and has submitted a plan and estimate for an organ. Mr. Whinfield's plan, if carried out, will add considerably to the beauty of our church and will provide us with an instrument exactly suited to our requirements.

A meeting will be held in the Parish Room on Tuesday, March 10th, at 8.15 p.m., when Mr. Whinfield's plans will be shown and explained and a scheme will be suggested for raising the necessary funds. All adult members of the congregation worshipping at Badsey are invited to attend.

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A MILITANT MINISTER.

When Mr. McKenna described the coming Education (!) Bill as "a sword" he forgot that Christians have the highest authority for believing that the sword is a singularly dangerous weapon with which to attack or even defend a religion, and the new Bill seems calculated to enhance this militant statesman's reputation as a legislator about as much as Mr. Birrell's did his. The three-fold object of the Bill would seem to be

- (1) to extinguish Church Schools as far as possible ;
- (2) to make Churchmen, Roman Catholics, and others—but especially Churchmen—pay for the teaching of a religion in which they do not believe ; and
- (3) to place as many obstacles as possible in the way of friendly co-operation between Churchmen and Dissenters.

Fortunately, the Government are not at all likely to succeed in passing the Bill without first appealing to the country either on the Education Question or the subject of the House of Lords, and, at the present moment they show no signs of extreme anxiety to test the feeling of electors on any issue.

NOTES AND NEWS.

The Ringers and Chimers wish to thank all who kindly subscribed to their respective Christmas Funds. The amount collected by the Ringers was £3 18s. 3d., and the Chimers came in a good second with £3 10s. 6d.

A meeting will be held at Badsey Vicarage on Tuesday, March 10th at 8 p.m., by special request of the Bishop, to elect two laymen from Badsey to the Ruri-decanal Conference. All adult communicants of the Church of England resident or holding property in the parish are eligible to vote and are earnestly invited to attend.

A similar meeting will be held in the Wickhamford Parish Room on Wednesday, March 11th, at 6.30 p.m. to elect ONE representative of Wickhamford.

We congratulate our late organist, Mr. J. F. Agg, on his appointment as organist of Chipping Campden Parish Church.

OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH.

| | | BADSEY | | | WICKHAMFORD | | | |
|---------|---------------------|--------|----|----|-------------|----|----|----|
| | | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. | |
| Feb. 2. | —Sick and Needy ... | 0 | 2 | 0 | ... | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| „ „ | —Church Expenses | 0 | 14 | 6 | ... | 0 | 2 | 2½ |
| „ 9. | —Sick and Needy ... | 0 | 1 | 6 | ... | | | |
| „ „ | —Church Expenses | 0 | 15 | 6½ | ... | 0 | 3 | 1½ |
| „ 16. | —Sick and Needy ... | 0 | 3 | 0 | ... | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| „ „ | —Church Expenses | 0 | 9 | 2½ | ... | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| „ 32. | —Sick and Needy ... | 0 | 0 | 11 | ... | | | |
| „ „ | —Church Expenses | 1 | 0 | 4 | ... | 0 | 3 | 7 |
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THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY—MARRIAGE.

Feb. 26.—Harold John Cave and Ethel Frances Louise Reeves.

BADSEY—BURIAL

Feb. 10.—Cecil Tompkins, aged 5 months.