

BADSEY AND ALDINGTON NOTES

Wednesday, June 1st. M.U. Diocesan Festival (Worcester Cathedral).

Sunday, June 5th (WHIT-SUNDAY). 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 11 a.m. Holy Communion (with Hymns); 6.45 p.m. Evensong, Sermon, and Te Deum.

Sunday, June 12th (TRINITY SUNDAY). 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 11 a.m. Holy Communion (with Hymns); 6.45 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

Saturday, June 18th. The Church Fete, in the Vicarage Garden, 2.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

Sunday, June 19th. 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 6.45 p.m. Thanksgiving Service for the English Prayer Book on the 400th Anniversary of its first Authorization.

Sunday, June 26th. Services as usual.

THE VICAR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

I commend to your careful notice the above list of Services. With reference to Whit-Sunday last year, I reported in the Magazine as follows: "The number of Communicants was more than double that of twelve months ago but one could not help feeling that there were more absentees than there ought to have been." I hope this will be corrected this year, and I ask you all to do your share in restoring this great Festival to its rightful place in our parochial life. The collections on this day are for the Sunday School and I ask for your generous help.

The Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, June 19th for the English Prayer Book is of great interest and importance. I ask you to read carefully the brochure enclosed with this issue of the Magazine, and to resolve that you will be among those who will meet in God's House to render thanks for the book which "has shaped and sustained the devotion of countless men and women and has inspired the enthusiasm of more than one religious revival."

Arrangements for the Church Fete on Saturday, June 18th are nearly complete, and programmes will shortly be on sale. The Fete will be on the same lines as in previous years. The members of the Sanctuary Guild and the Mothers' Union are again responsible for the various stalls, the 2nd Sunday Group being in charge of the Tea Room. There will be the ever popular "bowling for a pig" (kindly provided by Mrs. Pethard and Mr. W. Hardiman) and for the ladies "bowling for a goose" (kindly provided by Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Sears). Mr. Hector Smith and Mr. Cyril Bird have again promised to bring their fascinating electrical gadgets, and there will be many other competitions. The Gift Stall Sale will be at 6 p.m., and contributions for this Stall will be gratefully received at the Vicarage. Mr. B. Jones has again offered to provide "Music on the Lawn." Miss Ashwin has kindly consented to open the Sale at 2.30 p.m. and we shall extend to her a very hearty welcome. The heavy cost of repairs to the Church—those to the Tower alone will cost over £500—makes it more than ever necessary that the Fete should be a financial success. I do not think our people will fail.

Congratulations to our Churchwarden, Mr. G. A. King, on being "top of the poll" at the recent Parish Council Election—a week before his 70th birthday!

We extend our sincere sympathy to the relatives of those who have passed from us recently—Mrs. Stewart, Mr. H. Mitchell, Mr. J. Hartwell and Mrs. Lowle.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,
W. B. CHAPMAN.

NOTES AND NOTICES

SANCTUARY GUILD. At the Meeting on May 12th it was reported that the joint Committee of Sanctuary Guild and Mothers' Union Members had chosen Windsor for the Annual Outing on Thursday, July 7th. Names should be given in and bus fares (9s.) paid to Mrs. Chapman not later than June 9th. Further details will be published next month.

The Members have presented an oak table, on which to stand the large flower vase in the Sanctuary. It has been made by Mr. T. H. Collett, another example of his craftsmanship.

Grateful thanks are due to all who helped with the spring cleaning of the Church on May 19th.

Next Meeting, Thursday, June 9th, in the Parish Room, after Service in Church at 7.30 p.m.

P.C.C. At the May Meeting Miss M. E. Sladden was presented with a Fountain Pen and Book Tokens in grateful recognition of her invaluable work as Secretary for over twenty years. Matters discussed included Repairs to the Church, Church Fete, Parking of Bicycles, etc.

M.U. For particulars of Annual Outing, please see Sanctuary Guild Notes.

SERVERS ON DUTY

Sunday, June 5th. 7.0 a.m. B. F. P. Blake.
8.0 a.m. D. Knight.
11.0 a.m. B. Jennings.
Sunday, June 12th. 8.0 a.m. L. Mitchell.
11.0 a.m. D. Edwards.
Sunday, June 19th. 8.0 a.m. D. Barrand.
Sunday, June 26th. 8.0 a.m. J. Hatcher.
Sunday, July 3rd. 8.0 a.m. D. Knight.

SIDESMEN ON DUTY

Sunday, June 5th. 8.0 a.m., Mr. M. Savory; 11 a.m., Messrs. G. Jones and D. Brazier; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. F. Cleaver and W. Hardiman.
Sunday, June 12th. 8 a.m., Mr. A. L. Byrd; 11 a.m., Messrs. D. Agg and D. Peet; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. J. Major and P. Case.
Sunday, June 19th. 8 a.m., Mr. B. F. P. Blake; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. R. Hartwell and R. Knight.
Sunday, June 26th. 8 a.m., Mr. J. Major; 11 a.m., Messrs. P. H. Sparrow and A. L. Byrd; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. M. Savory and A. Worthington.

PARISH REGISTERS

BAPTISM

May 8th.—Robin Richard Robinson.

BURIALS

April 30th.—Ellen Elizabeth Stewart, aged 73 years.

May 4th.—Henry Edgar Mitchell, aged 69 years.

May 13th.—John Hartwell, aged 59 years.

COLLECTIONS FOR CHURCH EXPENSES

April 24th, £2 18s. 8d.; May 1st, £3 2s. 4d.; May 8th, £3 1s. 1d.; May 15th (Evening only) £1 15s. 7d. Total £10 17s. 8d.

Other Receipts: Church Box, 8s.; Use of Organ, 6s.; Envelopes (April) Church Expenses £2 9s. 1d., Church Overseas, 12s. 2d. Total £3 1s. 3d. (No. 3, 5s.; No. 4, 6s.; No. 5, 2s.; No. 6, 12s. 2d.; No. 7, 4s.; No. 8, 4s.; No. 10, 4s.; No. 11, 2s. 9d.; No. 13, 3s.; No. 14, 8s.; No. 16, 2s.; No. 17, 5s.; No. 22, 3s. 4d.).

WICKHAMFORD NOTES

Wednesday, June 1st. M.U. Diocesan Festival (Worcester Cathedral).

Sunday, June 5th (WHIT-SUNDAY). 9.30 a.m., Holy Communion (with Hymns); 2.30 p.m., "A Pageant of Evensong," by the Sunday School Scholars; 5.30 p.m., Evensong, Sermon, and Te Deum.

Sunday, June 12th (TRINITY SUNDAY). 5.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

Sunday, June 19th. 11 a.m. Matins; 11.40 a.m. Holy Communion; 5.30 p.m. Thanksgiving Service for the English Prayer Book on the 400th Anniversary of its first Authorization.

Friday, June 24th. (Nativity of S. John Baptist—Patronal Festival). 9 a.m. Holy Communion.

Sunday, June 26th (Octave of Patronal Festival). 9 a.m. Holy Communion; 2.30 p.m., Sunday School Service; 5.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

Tuesday, June 14th.—Choir Outing.
Tuesday, June 21st.—Mothers' Union Outing.

THE VICAR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

What I have written in my Badsey and Aldington letter regarding Whit-Sunday has reference also to Wickhamford, and I ask your help in this matter. As on Easter Day, Holy Communion will be at 9.30 a.m. (instead of 9 a.m.). At 2.30 p.m. the Sunday School Scholars are presenting a short "Pageant of Evensong" and I hope the adults will encourage both teachers and scholars by their attendance. This Service should be a preparation for the Thanksgiving Service for the English Prayer Book on Sunday, June 19th. Again I refer you to my Badsey and Aldington letter! The collections on Whit-Sunday will be for the Sunday School.

Friday, June 24th is the Festival of our Patronal Saint (S. John Baptist) and is marked by a celebration of Holy Communion at 9 a.m. There will also be a celebration at 9 a.m. the following Sunday (Sunday, June 26th). This will be instead of a Celebration on the first Sunday in July. I believe that many who love our Church will wish to make their Communion at the Patronal Festival, and as a Friday morning is obviously impossible for some, I felt that a further Celebration on the Sunday would be welcomed.

The Parochial Church Council will meet on Wednesday, June 8th in the Parish Room at 7.30 p.m.

May the sun shine on the members of the Choir on June 14th and on the members of the Mothers' Union on June 21st. Perhaps next year the Men's Fellowship will have an Outing!

I think you will agree that June promises to be a memorable month for us all.

The Collections for Church Expenses on Sundays, April 24th, May 1st, 8th, and 15th amounted to £8 3s. 10d.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

W. B. CHAPMAN.

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MARRIAGE

May 4th.—Sidney Godfrey Bailey and Minnie Cook.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

BADSEY REMEMBRANCE HALL COMMITTEE

Arrangements are going ahead for our Fete on Saturday, 2nd July. A full programme is being arranged including Punch and Judy Show, Dancing Display and a Ventriloquial Show, which we are hoping to follow with a Concert. With reference to the Fancy Dress Competition, please note that this is open to all children up to school leaving age, and entries should be made to either Mrs. P. Hall, Holmleigh, Badsey, or Mrs. A. Reed, Synehurst, Badsey, before Saturday, 26th June. There will not be a parade through the village this year. Entrants should assemble on the Recreation Ground at 2 o'clock. Refreshments will again be supplied—including teas—and we are hoping that "licensed" refreshments will also be obtainable. The usual

Children's Sports will take place, and numerous competitions including Bowling for Pig (gentlemen), Bowling for Tea Service (ladies), Treasure Hunt, and Sideshows. We are also hoping to arrange the usual "Auction Sale." We shall be grateful to any friends who can send us goods of any description for the Stalls and "Auction." Admission to the ground will be free. We have hired a large marquee this year—all we want now is your kind patronage and a fine day.

H. L. HATCHER.

BRITISH LEGION (WOMEN'S SECTION)

At the last monthly Branch meeting of the season, held on 26th April, Mrs. W. Keen presided over a good attendance. After the adoption of the minutes, the Secretary read a letter from Mr. P. H. Sparrow (Secretary of the Men's Section) thanking members for their donation of £10 10s. towards the Badsey War Memorial Fund. A letter was also read from Mrs. Stoneham, of the Pershore Branch, inviting members to a meeting there on May 10th. Mrs. Keen then asked for the names of members who wished to join with the Men's Section for a visit to the Royal Tournament in London on June 18th.

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The Summer Outing was discussed and the most popular suggestion proved to be a coach tour through Wales on the last Saturday in August. Competitions were won by Mrs. Nisbett, Mrs. A. Haines, and Mrs. Rose (apron making). The game "Roll Call" caused much amusement, and other games arranged by Mrs. Harvey completed a very enjoyable evening.

M. K. CLEAVER.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Mrs. Carter (President) took the chair at the May meeting. Expressions of sympathy were extended to Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. and Miss Hartwell in their recent bereavements. Mrs. Shelley reported on the "Bring and Buy" Stall at the April meeting. The President read a letter from the Postmaster regarding the delivery of letters, and also a letter of thanks from Avonside Hospital for the gift of eggs and groceries collected at the April meeting.

A food parcel received from Australia was distributed among members over 70 years of age. It being Mrs. W. Sparrow's birthday, she was given first choice.

Mrs. Warters, V.C.O., gave a talk on the Annual General Meeting to be held at the Albert Hall in June. She was thanked, on behalf of the members, by Mrs. Savory. A competition, "Peeling a potato blindfold," was won by Mrs. F. Haines and Mrs. T. Perkins. The monthly parcel was won by Mrs. J. Keen. Refreshments were served by Mesdames Reed, Evans, Grove, Rose and Stewart.

N. E. KEEN.

NURSING ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of the Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford Nursing Association will take place in the Council Schools, Badsey, on Tuesday, 31st May, 1949, at 7 p.m. Agenda: To receive Reports and Balance Sheet, and to approve the adoption of the new constitution.

I.M.B.

Matter for the July issue of the Magazine must be sent to the Vicar not later than Monday, June 20th, and must be written on one side of the paper only.

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