

Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford Parish Magazine

DECEMBER, 1950

BADSEY AND ALDINGTON NOTES

ADVENT SUNDAY (DEC. 3rd). The Collections throughout the day will be for the Church Overseas. Holders of Missionary Boxes are asked to bring them to the Church on this day.

SUNDAY, DEC. 17th. Preacher at 6.45 p.m.: Major A. W. Cunninghame, Organising Director (Western Area) of the Industrial Christian Fellowship.

SUNDAY, DEC. 24th. 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 11 a.m. Matins, followed by Sunday School Prize-Giving (No 11.40 a.m. Celebration).

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

SUNDAY, DEC. 24th (Christmas Eve):—

6.45 p.m. Evensong and Carols.

11.30 p.m. First Communion of Christmas.

MONDAY, DEC. 25th (Christmas Day):—

8 and 11 a.m. Holy Communion (said).

SUNDAY, DEC. 31st:—

8 a.m. Holy Communion.

11 a.m. Matins.

6.45 p.m. Evensong, followed by Recital of Christmas Music (Organist: J. Gilbert Mills; Vocalist: Henry King).

N.B. Those who intend to communicate at the "Midnight Celebration" should attend Evensong at 6.45 p.m. as an Act of Preparation.

The Offerings on Christmas Eve at 11.30 p.m. and on Christmas Day will be given, as in previous years, to the Church of England Children's Society.

NOTES AND NOTICES

MOTHERS' UNION. — Next Meeting, Tuesday, Dec. 12th, at Seward House at 2.30 p.m. There will be no Meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 26th. In connection with the Diocesan Mission, Miss Holmes has promised to give three talks on "A Christian's Personal Relationships." These talks will be given on Tuesdays, Jan. 23rd, Feb. 13th and Feb. 27th.

Congratulations and good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sparrow, who recently celebrated their golden wedding.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Bonehill on the death of their infant son.

The members of the Mothers' Union and the Sanctuary Guild have now completed their joint effort for the Appeal Fund. As soon as the Appeal was launched, they volunteered to be responsible for the cost (£60) of repairing and rehanging a Bell. They have exceeded this amount by £20, and are to be heartily congratulated on a splendid piece of work.

A.M.C.

SANCTUARY GUILD. — Next Meeting, Thursday, Dec. 14th, in the Parish Room, following Service in Church at 3 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.—The distribution of Awards will be made after Matins on Sunday, Dec. 24th.

The New Year Party will be held on Saturday, Jan. 13th, in the Old School. We shall be very grateful for donations and gifts of food. Will those willing to help in this way please inform the Vicar or any of the Teachers prior to the next Teachers' Meeting (to be held at the Vicarage on Thursday, Dec. 14th, at 8 p.m.).

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP. — At the fortnightly interim meeting on October 24th we were given a real treat by the Vicar whose talk "A Parson's Lot" provided one of the most interesting evenings the Fellowship has had. Whilst spiced with a helping of his natural wit, it was also touched with items of human pathos, and generally provided food for some serious thought. Those who were not able to be present missed a good thing.

Mr. C. H. Tutton, as mentioned last month, spoke on "Our Railways" on Nov. 14th, to what was almost, if not quite, a record gathering. He treated this wide subject in a nicely balanced manner, and the questions which followed showed the interest which was created. Whilst agreeing that facilities left scope for improvement, we were shown that an enormous amount was being done for comfort and convenience, and that the future held some rosy possibilities.

At the time of writing it is gratifying to report that the Fellowship Bell Fund stands at £61 8s. 6d.

Forthcoming Attractions:—

Dec. 12th. Commander Woodward (Talk illustrated by Films).

Jan. 9th. Major S. B. Carter, M.B.E.

Feb. 13th Mr. J. Rayson—"Highways and Byways."

M.G.S.

P.C.C.—Next Meeting, Mon., Jan. 15th, in the Parish Room at 7 pm.

STUDY GROUP.—The Prayer and Study Group, in preparation for the Diocesan Mission, is, as yet, small in numbers, but two most interesting and helpful discussions have been held. New Members will be heartily welcomed at the next Meeting—at Seward House on Monday, Dec. 4th, at 7 p.m.

Mrs. Brady thanks all who helped to make the Whist Drive for the British Empire Cancer Campaign on Oct. 27th so successful. The sum of £13 8s. was realised. In the unavoidable absence of Mr. Gordon Cooper, the Matron of Evesham Hospital kindly came to us to speak on the progress of the campaign.

APPEAL FUND. — We acknowledge with very grateful thanks the gift of £60 from the Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford British Legion (Men's Section) to defray the cost of repairing and rehang-ing one bell. Donations have also been received from Mrs. F. E. Knight and Mrs. C. Rouse (M.U. and Sanctuary Guild Bell), Mr. Biddlestone, Mr. W. Yeates and Mr. A. Taylor (Men's Fellowship Bell), Mr. B. F. P. Blake.

Mr. C. A. Binyon writes from Westminster Hospital that he is most appreciative of the many kind enquiries and letters received. He is sorry he is unable to reply personally. We are glad to report that he is now making good progress after his operation.

SIDESMEN ON DUTY

Sunday, Dec. 3rd. — 8 a.m., Mr. M. Savory; 11 a.m., Messrs. G. Jones and D. Peet; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. F. Cleaver, T. W. Hardiman and J. T. Batchelor.

Sunday, Dec. 10th.—8 a.m., Mr. A. L. Byrd; 11 a.m., Mr. D. Agg and Churchwarden; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. J. Major, P. Case and Churchwarden.

Sunday, Dec. 17th.—8 a.m., Mr. B. F. P. Blake; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. R. Hartwell, R. Knight and E. Velvick.

Sunday, Dec. 24th. — 8 a.m., Mr. J. Major; 11 a.m., Messrs. P. H. Sparrow and A. L. Byrd; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. A. W. Sparrow, A. Worthington and M. Savory; 11.30 p.m., Churchwardens.

Sunday, Dec. 31st.—8 a.m., Mr. T. W. Hardiman; 11 a.m., Messrs. D. Peet and J. Major; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. B. F. P. Blake, A. L. Byrd and E. Velvick.

Sunday, Jan. 7th.—As Sunday, Dec. 3rd.

SERVERS AND CRUCIFERS ON DUTY

	Server	Crucifer
Sunday, Dec. 3rd		
8 a.m.	D. Barrand	—
11 a.m.	B. Jennings	K. Mitchell
6.45 p.m.	D. Barrand	D. Edwards
Sunday, Dec. 10th		
8 a.m.	D. Knight	—
11 a.m.	D. Edwards	D. Barrand
6.45 p.m.	K. Mitchell	B. Jennings
Sunday, Dec. 17th		
8 a.m.	L. Mitchell	—
6.45 p.m.	D. Edwards	D. Barrand
Sunday, Dec. 24th		
8 a.m.	J. Hatcher	—
11 a.m.	D. Barrand	D. Edwards
6.45 p.m.	K. Mitchell	B. Jennings
11.30 p.m.	B. Jennings	K. Mitchell
Sunday, Dec. 31st		
8 a.m.	D. Edwards	—
11 a.m.	K. Mitchell	B. Jennings
6.45 p.m.	D. Edwards	D. Barrand
Sunday, Jan. 7th		
8 a.m.	B. Jennings	—
11 a.m.	D. Barrand	D. Edwards
6.45 p.m.	B. Jennings	K. Mitchell

COLLECTIONS FOR CHURCH EXPENSES

Oct. 22nd, £4 13s. 7d.; Oct. 29th, £5 1s. 4d.; Nov. 5th, £7 11s. 0d.; Nov. 19th (Evening), £4 11s. 4d. Total £21 17s. 3d.

OTHER RECEIPTS

Earl Haig's Fund (Nov. 12th), £10 15s. 10d.; **October Envelopes:** Church Expenses £4 4s. 3d., Church Overseas 11s. 7d. Total £4 15s. 10d. (No. 3, 10s.; No. 4, 10s. 6d.; No. 5, 2s.; No. 6, 17s. 6d.; No. 7, 5s.; No. 8, 8s.; No. 10, 5s.; No. 11, 6s.; No. 13, 4s.; No. 14, 12s. 6d.; No. 16, 2s. 6d.; No. 17, 8s. 3d.; No. 22, 4s. 7d.).

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms

Nov. 11th. Christopher Harwood.
Nov. 19th. Rosemary Ann Vale; Alan Robert Clarke.

Marriages

Oct. 28th. Peter William Craig, Gillingham (Kent) and Sylvia Grace Bird, Badsey.

Burials

Oct. 31st. Philip Edward Brailsford, aged 80 years.
Nov. 7th. Roger Bonehill, aged 3 days.
Nov. 15th. Ernest George Taylor, aged 63 years.

WICKHAMFORD NOTES

SUNDAY, DEC. 17th.

11 a.m. Matins and Holy Communion.
5.30 p.m. Evensong. Preacher: Major A. W. Cunningham, Organising Director (Western Area) of the Industrial Christian Fellowship.

SUNDAY, DEC. 24th (Christmas Eve).

2.30 p.m. Children's Service, followed by Sunday School Prize-Giving.

5.30 p.m. Evensong, Carols, and Preparation for Christmas Communion.

MONDAY, DEC. 25th (Christmas Day).

9.30 a.m. Holy Communion (with Hymns).

SUNDAY, DEC. 31st.

5.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear Friends,

Grateful thanks are due to all those who helped to make the Social on Wed., Nov. 1st, so successful. A profit of £8 10s. 3d. was realised. The date of the next Social will be announced later.

The members of the Parochial Church Council, with the assistance of the members of the Mothers' Union, are organising a Bring and Buy Sale in the Parish Room on Wed., Dec. 13th, at 3 p.m. We shall be glad of articles for sale, and we hope that all friends of Wickhamford Church will rally round to make this venture a success. The proceeds will be for the Church Repair Fund.

At the Parochial Church Council Meeting on Wed., Nov. 8th, the design for an Altar, in memory of the late Mr. G. C. Lees-Milne, was approved, and an application for a Faculty is now being made. The delay in this matter is due to the fact that we have been anxious to ensure that this Memorial shall be in keeping with the rest of the Church. Several designs have been considered, but have been rejected on this ground.

At the same Meeting Mr. T. C. Sheaf was co-opted as a member of the P.C.C. and Mr. E. Roberts was appointed a Sidesman. It was reported that the repairs to the Tower and Windows had been completed. The question of the repairs to the Roof was left over until the next Meeting. This will be held in the Parish Room on Wed., January 10th, at 7 p.m.

We offer our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. E. Cooke, who recently celebrated their Silver Wedding.

The Sunday School Prize-Giving will be held in Church on Christmas Eve (Sunday, Dec. 24th) following a short Children's Service at 2.30 p.m. Mrs. Cooke has kindly consented to distribute the Prizes. Evensong and Carols will be at 5.30 p.m. and it is hoped that all our Communicants will attend as an Act of Preparation for the Christmas Communion. Will they please note that the Celebration on Christmas Morning is at 9.30 a.m.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

W. B. CHAPMAN

MOTHERS' UNION.—Will Members please note the following arrangements—Wed., Dec. 6th, Meeting as usual (Tea provided by Mrs. Hodges); Wed., Dec. 13th, Bring and Buy Sale; Weds., Dec. 20th and 27th, No Meeting.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP.—Mr. D. G. S. Russell's talk on Nov. 15th on his recent visit to France was very much appreciated by our Members. As he spoke of some of the treasures to be found in the Cathedrals and Castles we realised that behind his vivid description of such things was his own expert knowledge, and some of us were more than a little envious! We very much hope he will pay us a return visit. There was a very good attendance, and we hope this will again be the case on Wed., Dec. 6th, when the Rev. E. I. Carroll comes to speak to us on "Korea."

Church Collections: Church Expenses (Oct. 22nd, 29th, Nov. 5th, Nov. 19th) £10 0s. 6d. Earl Haig's Fund (Nov. 12th) £5 3s. 8d.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

BRITISH LEGION (WOMEN'S SECTION).—The Annual General Meeting was held at the Bell Inn on Tuesday, Oct. 24th.

In her address the retiring President (Mrs. W. B. Chapman) stressed the importance of the observance of Remembrance Sunday (Nov 12th).

The Secretary's Report stated that there was now a membership of 77. Meetings had been well attended, and several donations had been made to British Legion Charities.

The Treasurer reported a balance in hand of £40 0s. 4d. This was considered to be very satisfactory.

Arrangements were made for the sale of Poppies on Nov. 11th.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows:—

President: Mrs. M. G. Savory.

Chairman: Mrs. W. Keen.

Vice-Chairman: Mrs. F. Barnard.

Secretary: Miss M. Cook.

Treasurer: Mrs. J. Barnard.

Standard Bearer: Mrs. Fry.

Sick Visitors: Mrs. Rose and Mrs. Brotherton.

Committee: Mrs. Longmore, Miss Hartwell, Mrs. Ockwell, Mrs. Hurman, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Littlewood, Mrs. Sandford, Mrs. I. Knight.

Arrangements were put in hand for a Whist Drive, in aid of Earl Haig's Fund, in Badsey School on Nov. 17th.

Mrs. C. Barnard was the winner of the Monthly Parcel.

R. M. BARNARD

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.—The November meeting was well attended, Mrs. Carter presided, and the programme was varied and interesting. A Bring and Buy Stall catered for all needs. The proceeds are to be used for a Bursary for members wishing to take special courses at Denman College.

Mrs. Badham gave a short report on a recently-held meeting at Broadway which was much enjoyed by the members who attended it. A very interesting account of the Half-Yearly Meeting, held at Worcester, was given by Mrs. Chapman who went as the Badsey delegate.

Mrs. Marshall spoke about her recent visit to the Conductors' School in London. Mrs. A. C. Sparrow was congratulated by Mrs. Carter on her Golden Wedding. Rural life in France was the subject of a talk given by Major S. B. Carter. Mrs. Taylor thanked Major Carter on behalf of all the members for his wonderful descriptions of the life of our neighbours across the Channel.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Savory and her helpers. Mrs. Pratley won the competition for a dressed cockerel given by Miss E. Jones.

Nominations were given for the 1951 Committee.
C.M.

ARE YOU HAVING A CHRISTMAS PARTY?

A Band of Christmas Mummers will be on tour in Badsey, Wickhamford and District from Thursday, Dec. 21st, to Wednesday, Jan. 10th. Will those who would like a visit from them get in touch with me as soon as possible, so that dates can be fixed? If you are having a Private Party they will be pleased to attend and give their show, which will be quite short. Whatever you give them, will be donated to the £1,000 Appeal Fund.

W.B.C.

JOHNS

DISPENSING CHEMIST

3, MARKET PLACE, EVESHAM

Pharmaceutical Products of the highest quality

Personal attention at all times

DEVELOPING & PRINTING—

QUICK SERVICE

Phone 285

When considering any

Decorating, Building and Sanitary Work

call on your local builders

C. SAVAGE & SON

who will make every effort to give you satisfaction

Phone BADSEY 309

H. ROBINSON

MANOR DAIRY

BADSEY

T.T. and PASTEURISED MILK

CLEAN and SAFE

DELIVERED DAILY