

**Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford Parish
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BADSEY AND ALDINGTON NOTES

LENT SERVICES

Sundays:—

March 4th (Lent IV).—8 a.m. Holy Communion; 11 a.m. Sung Eucharist; **3 p.m. Mothering Sunday Service**; 6.45 p.m. Evensong.

March 11th (Lent V, Passion Sunday). — 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 11 a.m. Matins; 6.45 p.m. Evensong.

Wednesdays (March 7th and March 14th).—10 a.m. Holy Communion.

Thursdays (March 1st, March 8th and March 15th). —4 p.m. Children's Service; 7 p.m. Lent Service (Parish Room).

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Palm Sunday (March 18th).—8 a.m. Holy Communion. Blessing and Distribution of Palms; 6.45 p.m. Evensong and Distribution of Palms.

Monday March 19th, Tuesday March 20th, Wednesday March 21st, Thursday March 22nd. — 10 a.m. Holy Communion.

Good Friday (March 23rd):—

10 a.m. Children's Service.

2—3 p.m. "The Watch at the Cross." Conductor:

The Rector of Hinton-on-the-Green.

7 p.m. Lantern Service—"Behold, The Man."

Easter Day (Sunday March 25th):—

7 a.m. Holy Communion.

8 a.m. Holy Communion.

11 a.m. Sung Eucharist.

6.45 p.m. Evensong, Sermon, and Te Deum.

Low Sunday (April 1st):—

8 a.m. Holy Communion.

11 a.m. Sung Eucharist.

6.45 p.m. Evensong.

I ask you to study carefully the list of Services for Holy Week and Easter, and so to plan your arrangements that you will be in Church for the solemn hour on Good Friday when we really try to be "Watchers at The Cross," learning again the great lessons of this most Holy Day. I am very grateful to the Rector of Hinton-on-the-Green for promising to come to

conduct this devotional hour (2—3 p.m.). It will be noticed that instead of a Passion Play this year we are to have a Lantern Service on Good Friday evening. I have secured an excellent set of slides, and Major Ede England (Bretforton Hall) has most kindly offered to be Lanternist. The Church ought to be full for these two Services. They should help us to enter into the full meaning of the message of Easter—that message that the world, at such a time as this, so sorely needs.

W.B.C.

NOTES AND NOTICES

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING. — This Meeting will be held in the Parish Room on Monday, March 5th, at 7.15 p.m. It will be preceded at 7 p.m. by the Vestry Meeting for the nomination and election of Churchwardens. All members of the Electoral Roll should regard it as a duty to attend. Reports on the work of the Parochial Church Council during the past year and of the condition of the Fabric and Ornaments of the Church will be presented, in addition to the annual Financial Statement. The Parochial Church Council for the ensuing year will be elected, and representatives to the Diocesan and Ruridecanal Conference appointed.

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MOTHERS' UNION.—Members are asked to note the following arrangements:—

Sunday, March 4th.—3 p.m. "Mothering Sunday" Service.

Wednesday, March 7th.—3 p.m. United Service in Bretforton Church (Bus leaves Wheatsheaf Inn 2.40 p.m.).

Tuesday, March 13th.—2.30 p.m. Branch Meeting in the Parish Room.

Tuesday, March 27th.—No Meeting.

The course of addresses by Miss Holmes' on "A Christian's Personal Relationships" have been very much appreciated.

On Ash Wednesday Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. A. W. Sparrow, and Mrs. Paton were admitted to Membership.

PRAYER AND STUDY GROUP.—Next Meeting, Monday, March 19th, at Seward House at 7 p.m.

SANCTUARY GUILD.—The Next Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 8th, at 7.45 p.m. in the Parish Room, following the Lent Service at 7 p.m. It is hoped all members will be present. Refreshments will be provided by the Second Sunday Group.

The following letter has been received from the Treasurer of the King George's Fund for Sailors:—
Dear Mr. Chapman,

Thank you so much for your letter and for the cheque for Six Pounds and Sixteen Shillings from Badsey Church, Five Pounds of which was collected by the Youth Fellowship on a carol singing expedition and One Pound and Sixteen Shillings from the Sanctuary Guild.

We are extremely grateful for this most generous support and I would like you to know that we greatly appreciate such help. Will you please convey an expression of my thanks to all concerned.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP.—At the Meeting on Jan. 23rd we had a visit from Mr. Gilbert Mills, a good friend who is always willing to help good causes. His service to the village in the musical sphere is well known. His most interesting talk dealt with the technique of Fire Insurance, and from the questions which followed, it was evident that the audience was with the Speaker all the way, and that his chatty and humorous manner was much appreciated. We shall look forward to another visit from him.

On Feb. 13th Mr. J. Rayson gave a talk on "Highways and Byways." It was an informative survey of Britain's roads from Roman times up to the present day, and the resultant effects on social and industrial life. Mr. Rayson, who is a keen cyclist, also gave some hints on selecting interesting itineraries in the Cotswold district.

We look forward to a visit from Mr. K. G. Johnson on March 13th, when we hope to learn more about Common Law. Apart from this being another very interesting subject, Mr. Johnson's talk may help to keep us out of trouble in the future!

M.G.S.

CHOIR.—On Sat., Jan. 27th, Mr. Henry King entertained the Choir Boys to Tea, followed by a Film Show. On Thursday, Feb. 1st, he entertained the older members of the Choir to Dinner, followed by another Film Show, at The Royal Oak. The Vicar expressed the deep appreciation of the members of the congregation to Mr. King, Mrs. Marshall, and the Choir for their work during the past year. For their part the members of the Choir offer grateful thanks to Mr. King for his generous hospitality.

DIOCESAN MISSION.—There will be a Deanery Service for Parochial Church Councillors, and all others who are interested, in All Saints' Church, Evesham, on Monday, March 12th, at 7.30 p.m. The Preacher will be The Archdeacon of Aston (The Ven. Michael Parker).

SERVERS AND CRUCIFERS ON DUTY

	Server	Crucifer
Sunday, March 4th		
8 a.m.	D. Knight	—
11 a.m.	D. Barrand	K. Mitchell
6.45 p.m.	B. Jennings	D. Bott
Sunday, March 11th		
8 a.m.	L. Mitchell	—
11 a.m.	D. Bott	B. Jennings
6.45 p.m.	K. Mitchell	D. Barrand
Sunday, March 18th		
8 a.m.	J. Hatcher	—
6.45 p.m.	B. Jennings	D. Bott
Sunday, March 25th		
7 a.m.	B. F. P. Blake	—
8 a.m.	B. Jennings	—
11 a.m.	D. Bott	B. Jennings
6.45 p.m.	B. Jennings	K. Mitchell
Sunday, April 1st		
8 a.m.	K. Mitchell	—
11 a.m.	B. Jennings	K. Mitchell
6.45 p.m.	D. Bott	B. Jennings

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptism

Feb. 11th.—Linda Jennifer Davies.

Marriages

Feb. 3rd.—Albert Charles Palmer, Willersey, and Joan Elizabeth Chamberlain, Badsey.
Feb. 10th.—Denis Frank James Kitchener, Holmrook (Cumbs.), and Alma Margaret Holbrook, Badsey.

Burials

Jan. 26th.—Thomas Vicarage, aged 80 years.
Jan. 30th.—Myra Blake, aged 82 years.

SIDESMEN ON DUTY

Sunday, March 4th. — 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, March 11th. — 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, March 18th. — 8 a.m., Mr. B. F. P. Blake; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. R. Hartwell, R. Knight and E. Velvick.

Sunday, March 25th. — 7 a.m., Churchwardens; 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.

COLLECTIONS FOR CHURCH EXPENSES

Jan. 21st, £2 10s. 4d. (Evening); Jan. 28th, £4 7s. 0d.; Feb. 4th, £3 15s. 3d.; Feb. 11th, £4 15s. 3d.; Feb. 18th, £2 6s. 6d. (Evening). Lent Services (Feb. 7th, 15th), £1 19s. 4d. Total £19 13s. 8d.

OTHER RECEIPTS

January Envelopes. Church Expenses £2 15s. 3d. Church Overseas 7s. 6d. Total £2 8s. 9d. (No. 4, 6s.; No. 6, 16s.; No. 7, 4s.; No. 10, 4s.; No. 11, 5s.; No. 13, 2s.; No. 14, 5s.; No. 16, 2s.; No. 17, 4s. 3d.; No. 18, 6d.). **Church Box,** 6s. 11d.; **Use of Organ,** 6s.

BADSEY COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Many former scholars of the above school, who are now parents themselves, will wish to extend their best wishes to Miss E. B. Hartwell who is retiring this Summer Term after 48 years' faithful teaching service in Badsey School.

Will those who wish to express their appreciation, by subscribing towards a presentation to Miss Hartwell, please send donations to the Head Master or to the School Managers, whichever is more convenient.

M.H.H.

WICKHAMFORD NOTES

LENT SERVICES

Sunday, March 4th (Lent IV).—9 a.m. Holy Communion; 5.30 p.m. "Mothering Sunday" Service.

Sunday, March 11th (Lent V—Passion Sunday).—5.30 p.m. Evensong.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Palm Sunday (March 18th):—

11 a.m. Matins and Holy Communion. Blessing and Distribution of Palms.

5.30 p.m. Evensong, and Distribution of Palms.

Maundy Thursday (March 22nd):—

7 p.m. Lantern Service—"Behold, The Man."

Easter Day (Sunday, March 25th):—

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

5.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Dedication of the Memorial to the late Mr. G. C. Lees-Milne.

Low Sunday (April 1st):—

9.0 a.m. Holy Communion.

5.30 p.m. Evensong.

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THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear Friends,

I draw your special attention to the list of Services for Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Easter Day, and earnestly hope that you will make a very special effort to attend.

It will be seen that this year a Lantern Service on Maundy Thursday evening takes the place of the Devotional Service on Good Friday Evening. I should have preferred that this Lantern Service should have been on Good Friday, but circumstances make that impossible. I hope that some of you, at any rate, will attend the Service on Good Friday in Badsey Church from 2 to 3 p.m. This would compensate for the fact that there is not a Service in Wickhamford Church on Good Friday itself, and I believe that a united Act of Witness such as this would be a splendid thing from many points of view.

I hope the Lantern Service itself will bring home to us the great message of Good Friday in a very special way. I am indebted to Mr. J. E. Parry who has gone to a great amount of trouble in fixing up

a Lantern which has been laid aside for several years, but which I hope will be of great service in the future.

Please note that Holy Communion on Easter Day will be, as in previous years, at 9.30 a.m. The new Altar, to the memory of the late Mr. G. C. Lees-Milne, will be dedicated at Evensong.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

W. B. CHAPMAN

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP. — We were disappointed that, owing to illness, Major Cobb was unable to speak at the February Meeting. His place was taken at very short notice by Mr. F. P. Stratton. We are grateful to him for stepping into the breach with a most interesting account of a motorist's experiences to and around London. An animated discussion followed, and we were certainly helped to rub up our knowledge of the capital of our country!

We have been fortunate to secure Major S. B. Carter for the last Meeting of the session—on Wed., March 7th, at 7.30 p.m. We are assured of a profitable and instructive gathering—with a keen discussion—so let us have a 'full house' to wind up another successful series of Meetings.

MOTHERS' UNION. — Will Members please note:—

(1) Sunday, March 4th, at 5.30 p.m., "Mothering Sunday" Service.

(2) Wed., March 7th, at 3 p.m., United Service in Bretforton Church (Bus leaves Sandys Arms 2.30 p.m.).

Collections for Church Expenses (Jan. 21st to Feb. 18th incl.) £8 13s. 4d.

PARISH REGISTERS

Burial

Feb. 13th.—Frank Wright, aged 42 years.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

BRITISH LEGION (WOMEN'S SECTION). — The Annual Party was held at the Bell Inn on Tuesday, 23rd January. Everyone present enjoyed a good meal. Entertainment was provided by the Honeybourne British Legion (Women's Section) who gave a sketch entitled "The Rocking Chair," and also monologues and songs. Games and Dances provided the rest of the evening's entertainment.

M.C.

BRITISH LEGION (MEN'S SECTION). — Perhaps the most interesting and important thing that has happened since the last report appeared in this magazine is that the branch has been given a piece of land by Mr. A. W. Ballard. It is hoped that on this piece of land we shall be able to erect a club-room and branch headquarters. Permission for development has been granted, and plans and application for a building licence have been submitted. We are very grateful to both Mr. D. A. Jelfs and Mr. A. J. Brazier, junr., who have been very helpful in these matters.

The County Outing this year will take place on 2nd June and will be to Portsmouth and Southsea. It is hoped that a programme for the day will be prepared, and the County Secretary is in touch with the Mayor