

**Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford Parish
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ALL-SAINTS' TIDE

Somebody once gave these answers to the question, "Why were the saints saints?":—

Because they were cheerful when it was hard to be cheerful.

Patient when it was hard to be patient.

Because they pushed on when they wished to stand still.

And kept silent when they wished to talk.

And were agreeable when they wished to be disagreeable.

The author finished by saying:—

That was all.

It was quite simple, and always will be!

I am not sure that the saints would entirely agree with that. But the five answers are good and true, particularly the reminder that the saints did not always find it easy to say and do the right thing, and often had to go against the grain, and sometimes found it hard even to be civil. They were not born saints—they became saints. They grew to be saints, because when a choice of paths lay before them they did not hover round the broad ways, but with unswerving and consistent decision they chose the one and only Highway of the Cross.

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If you would look for heroines in this life, for saints all unconscious of the devoted sacrifices of self which make them so, your search, and it will not be prolonged, will best be among the mothers of the world. As often as not, their whole lives are sacrifices—sacrifice for husband, sacrifice for children, going without the little things which every woman naturally desires, doing this for the sake of others, taking it all as a matter of course, pretending that the end piece of the suet pudding is really the nicest, and never for a moment realizing how nearly they are stepping in the footprints of their Saviour.

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The Saints sup with Thee, there in the dusk and lamplight—

Mary and Joseph and Peter and all my friends—
With faces propped on their tired and toil-worn fingers,

And kind eyes full of the peace of the journey's end.

To that feast of the Saints in Light, dear Lord, please bring me.

Wash my dusty feet as on Maundy long ago;

At the end of the day let me find my Lord at supper,

And forget my toils with Him in the Breaking of Bread.

BADSEY AND ALDINGTON NOTES

Sat., Nov. 1st (All Saints) 10 a.m. Holy Communion.

Sun., Nov. 2nd (All Souls) 8 a.m. Holy Communion;

11 a.m. Holy Communion (Sung); 6.45 p.m. Evensong.

The names of the faithful departed to be commemorated should be given to the Vicar not later than Friday, Oct. 31st.

Sunday, Nov. 9th (Remembrance Sunday)

8 a.m. Holy Communion

11 a.m. Matins. The members of the British Legion will parade. The members of the Congregation are asked to be in their places not later than 10.50 a.m.

6.45 p.m. Evensong. Preacher: Mr. C. R. P. Raymer. The Collections throughout the day will be for Earl Haig's Fund (Poppy Day Appeal).

Sunday, Nov. 16th. Services as usual. Programme of Music after Evensong.

Sunday, Nov. 23rd. Services as usual

Sunday, Nov. 30th (Advent Sunday). Collections for the Church Overseas. Holders of Missionary Boxes are asked to bring them to Church on this day. Intercessions at all Services for the work of the Church Overseas.

Men's Fellowship. We got off to a good start on October 13th with quite a goodly gathering, although it was noticed with regret that a few of the old faces were missing. It is hoped that they will be with us next time.

A most interesting and informative talk was given by Mr. Campin, one of the Worcestershire Probation Officers. We thank him for substituting for Mr. F. R. Ablett at very short notice. It was evident that Mr. Campin's job entails much more tact and psychology than is imagined by the lay person, and his talk provoked a lively discussion. It was generally agreed that modern probation correction had much to offer, but there was a firm opinion that, in hardened cases, a much more severe form of punishment was necessary to bring home to the criminal the gravity of his crime.

We look forward to the visit of Mr. A. L. Storey on November 10th, when his subject will be "Theatre Management." It is understood that this talk should not be missed, so please keep the date open.

M.G.S.

P.C.C. Next Meeting, Monday, Nov. 3rd, in the Parish Room at 7 p.m.

Mothers' Union. There was a very good attendance of Members on Tuesday, Oct. 14th, when the Rev. E. H. Moseley described the work of the Church of England Children's Society. How effectively he spoke was shewn by the ready response on the part of our Members to his appeal to take out Collecting Boxes. Mrs. Bonehill and Mrs. A. Bell kindly volunteered to act as Local Secretaries. It is proposed to open these Boxes twice a year.

Mrs. Bert Keen and Mrs. Dungworth were appointed to present our Branch's contribution to the "People's Offering" (for Moral Welfare Work) at the Service in All Saints' Church, Worcester, on Oct. 31st.

Meetings this month will be on Tuesdays, Nov. 11th and 25th, at 2.30 p.m. At the latter Meeting

we are to be honoured with a visit from the Rev. D. E. Leavey (Assistant Chief Organising Secretary of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge). Can we manage a 100 per cent. attendance?

Harvest Thanksgiving. The Church was most beautifully decorated and we had inspiring Services throughout the day with a record number of communicants. We thank not only those who were responsible for the work of decoration, but also those who sent gifts of Flowers, Fruit and Vegetables and Mr. Cockerton and Mr. P. H. Sparrow for conveying these gifts to the Hospital. The work of the Choir fully merited the warm praise it has received. From remarks made to me it is evident that the Anthem made a very special appeal.

W.B.C.

A bus load of our people attended the Service in The Cathedral on Sat., Oct. 11th, and afterwards had Tea at the Deansway Restaurant. It turned out to be what it was meant to be—a happy family party.

W.B.C.

The Choir. Douglas Bott—a most faithful Chorister and Server—is now in the R.A.F. This means we have four members of the Choir “doing their National Service.”

It is hoped to give another “Programme of Music” on Sunday, Nov. 16th.

Congratulations and good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. M. Brady, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Brazier, and Mr. and Mrs. G. Austen Jones, who have recently celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversaries.

SIDESMEN ON DUTY

Sunday, Nov. 2nd.—8 a.m., Mr. M. G. Savory; 11 a.m., Messrs. G. Jones and D. Peet; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. F. Cleaver, R. R. Savory and J. T. Batchelor.

Sunday, Nov. 9th.—8 a.m., Mr. A. L. Byrd; 11 a.m., Churchwarden and Mr. J. E. F. Voss; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. J. Major, P. Case and M. Barnard.

Sunday, Nov. 16th.—8 a.m., Mr. B. F. P. Blake; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. R. Hartwell, R. Knight and H. Floyd.

Sunday, Nov. 23rd.—8 a.m., Mr. J. Major; 11 a.m., Messrs. P. H. Sparrow and A. L. Byrd; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. M. G. Savory, A. W. Sparrow and A. Worthington.

Sunday, Nov. 30th.—8 a.m., Mr. W. Hardiman; 11 a.m., Messrs. D. Agg and J. Major; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. A. L. Byrd, C. Stewart and B. F. P. Blake.

Sunday, Dec. 7th.—As Sunday, Nov. 2nd.

SERVERS AND CRUCIFERS ON DUTY

	Server	Crucifer
Sunday, Nov. 2nd		
8 a.m.	L. Stewart	—
11 a.m.	E. Salter	D. Rouse
6.45 p.m.	K. Mitchell	R. Harvey
Sunday, Nov. 9th		
8 a.m.	K. Mitchell	—
11 a.m.	R. Harvey	D. Edwards
6.45 p.m.	D. Rouse	K. Mitchell

Sunday, Nov. 16th

8 a.m.	R. Harvey	—
6.45 p.m.	R. Harvey	K. Mitchell

Sunday, Nov. 23rd

8 a.m.	J. Hatcher	—
11 a.m.	K. Mitchell	R. Harvey
6.45 p.m.	D. Rouse	R. Harvey

Sunday, Nov. 30th

8 a.m.	D. Rouse	—
11 a.m.	R. Harvey	K. Mitchell
6.45 p.m.	K. Mitchell	D. Rouse

Sunday, Dec. 7th

8 a.m.	L. Mitchell	—
11 a.m.	E. Salter	D. Rouse
6.45 p.m.	R. Harvey	K. Mitchell

WAR MEMORIAL

Mrs. A. Reed is kindly responsible for the Flowers on Sunday, Nov. 2nd. As stated last month, the Wreaths placed on the Memorial on Sunday, Nov. 9th, will remain until Palm Sunday Evening (March 29th), 1953. **Those wishing to be responsible for the Flowers on any Sunday during the period Sunday, April 5th, to Sunday, Nov. 1st, 1953, are asked to inform Mrs. Chapman as soon as possible.**

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms

Oct. 5th. Angela Ruth Evans.

Marriages

Oct. 14th. Laurence Henry Herbert Bindoff, Childswickham, and Sheila Anne Perkins, Badsey.

COLLECTIONS FOR CHURCH EXPENSES

Oct. 5th, £6 4s. 6d.; Oct. 12th, £6 4s. 8d.; Oct. 19th (Evening), £4 5s. 7d. Total £16 14s. 9d.

OTHER RECEIPTS

“ Gift Day ” £68 0s. 11d. (Envelopes £55 15s. 0d., Church Collections £12 5s. 11d.). **Freewill Offering Envelopes**—Church Expenses £3 16s. 8d., Church Overseas 9s. 10d.—**Total £4 6s. 6d.** (No. 4, 5s. 6d.; No. 6, £1; No. 8, 4s.; No. 11, 4s.; No. 12, 4s.; No. 13, 1s.; No. 14, 10s.; No. 19, 5s.; No. 20, 4s.; No. 22, 2s.; No. 23, 10s.; No. 24, 10s.; No. 26, 2s.; No. 27, 5s.).

(N.B. The “ Gift Day ” Receipts “ topped the record ”—further evidence of the readiness of Church-people to help their Church).

NORTH DEVON & WEST SOMERSET RELIEF APPEAL

LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS

	£	s.	d.
Badsey Church Collections,	£27	2s.	3d.
Sunday School,	£1
Whist Drive (Per Mrs. A. G. Haines)	...	5	15 0
Collecting Box—Wheatsheaf Inn	...	6	10 0
do. —Mr. L. Stewart	...	5	6 6
do. —Bell Inn	...	3	2 5
do. —Post Office	...	3	1 0
do. —Royal Oak Inn	...	1	6 4
Sundry Donations	...	1	16 6
		£55	0 0

REPORTS OF VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

Women's Institute. At a well attended Meeting on October 8th, four most interesting and amusing Films were presented by the South Western Gas Board. We were shown how much easier life can be made with the help of gas, gas appliances and the many other products of coal, such as nylon. The Film Operators were thanked by the President (Mrs. S. B. Carter).

A Competition for the best scones made by members was judged by Miss Wixey. The winners were: 1, Mrs. Pratley; 2, Mrs. A. W. Sparrow; 3, Mrs. J. Major; 4, Mrs. S. B. Carter.

After Refreshments served by Mrs. A. Reed and helpers, the Women's Institute Choir sang most delightfully. Their conductor, Mrs. W. B. Chapman, was unfortunately absent, owing to a bereavement.

Mrs. Longmore was appointed Sick Visitor for the Month.

M.H.M.

WICKHAMFORD NOTES

Sunday, Nov. 2nd (All Souls) 9 a.m. Holy Communion; 5.30 p.m. Evensong.

The names of the faithful departed to be commemorated should be given to the Vicar not later than Friday, Oct. 31st.

Sunday, Nov. 9th (Remembrance Sunday) 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Act of Remembrance. Collection for Earl Haig's Fund (Poppy Day Appeal). N.B. Please note time of Service.

Sundays, Nov. 16th and 23rd. Services as usual.

Sunday, Nov. 30th (Advent Sunday). Collection for the Church Overseas.

SIDESMEN ON DUTY

Sun., Nov. 2nd (M. and E.): Messrs. J. E. Sheppard and J. E. Parry.

Sun., Nov. 9th (E.): Messrs. C. H. Willis and J. Newbury.

Sun., Nov. 16th (M.): Messrs. E. W. Sturt and L. Poulter.

Sun., Nov. 16th (E.): Messrs. E. Roberts and J. Poulter.

Sun., Nov. 23rd (E.): Messrs. T. C. Sheaf and C. Cox.

Sun., Nov. 30th (E.): Messrs. C. H. Willis and J. Newbury.

Mothers' Union. Meetings every Wednesday in the Parish Room at 2.30 p.m. The following are kindly responsible for Teas during the coming month:—Nov. 5th, Mrs. Phillips; Nov. 12th, Mrs. G. Halford; Nov. 19th, Mrs. C. Mason; Nov. 26th, Mrs. Martin. The following have provided Teas during October—Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. Hodges, Mrs. E. Roberts, Mrs. Figgitt and Mrs. Hancock.

Men's Fellowship. We made a good start on Oct. 1st with Mr. Feek's very interesting talk on "Clocks and Watches." The speaker ably dealt with numerous questions. There was a satisfactory attendance, a good representation from Badsey making up for Wickhamford "absentees." On Wed., Nov. 5th, Mr. A. Renfrew (Broadway) has kindly promised to speak on "Bottles." The Meeting is at 7.30 p.m., and once again we extend an invitation to all who are interested.

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms

Oct. 12th. Philip John Sutton; Gillian Rose Sutton; Anthony Martin Nixon; Brian John Hancock.

Marriages

Sept. 24th. William Albert Field, Bengeworth, and Peggie Read, Wickhamford.

Harvest Thanksgiving and Gift Day. Our thanks are due to those who sent gifts of Flowers, Fruit and Vegetables, those who made such a splendid job of decorating the Church, and to Messrs. L. and J. Poulter for conveying the gifts to Avonside Hospital. The number of Communicants was rather disappointing, but the Church was very full for Evensong. The members of the Choir gave us a splendid lead, and are to be congratulated on the rendering of the Anthem. It was a most joyous and impressive Service.

Gift Day Receipts (Envelopes and Church Collections) amounted to £58 3s. 2d. This represents a considerable advance on last year, and we gratefully acknowledge many generous gifts.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

Women's Institute. Mrs. Dean presided at the October Meeting. Mrs. Sheaf gave her report as Sick Visitor for September, and Mrs. C. H. Willis was appointed Sick Visitor for October.

Major S. B. Carter gave a very humorous talk on "Housing as a Mere Man would like to see it"; at the same time he gave us many useful ideas. He was thanked, on behalf of the members, by Mrs. Dempster. After Refreshments (served by Mesdames Taylor, Sturt, Thomas, Madge, Hopkins and Willis), Miss Falconer and Mrs. Moore Ede, of the W.V.S.—with Major Carter as projectionist—gave a most interesting Film Demonstration on the work of the "Home Help" organisation. They were thanked by Mrs. H. Williams.

T. B. SHANNON-GARVEY

P.S. Mrs. Dean thanks the members for making her birthday (which fell on the September Meeting Night) such a happy occasion—especially thanking Mrs. A. Carter for the lovely cake.

All who went on the Outing to Oxford and Blenheim Palace voted it a grand day, and thanks are due to Mrs. Parry for making all the arrangements. The lady who was in difficulty with her refreshments on the return journey is advised to "go armed" next time!