

# Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford Parish Magazine

MARCH, 1953

## BADSEY AND ALDINGTON NOTES

### LENT SERVICES

- Sun., Mar. 1st (Lent II).** Services as usual.
- Wed., Mar. 4th.** 10 a.m. H.C.; 4 p.m. Children's Service; 7 p.m. Lent Service.
- Sun., Mar. 8th (Lent III).** Services as usual.
- Wed., Mar. 11th.** 10 a.m. H.C.; 4 p.m. Children's Service; 7 p.m. Lent Service.
- Sun., Mar. 15th (Lent IV—"Mothering Sunday").** 8 a.m. H.C.; 3 p.m. "Mothering Sunday" Service (Collection for Cancer Research Fund); 6.45 p.m. Evensong.
- Wed., Mar. 18th.** 10 a.m. H.C.; 4 p.m. Children's Service; 7 p.m. Lent Service.
- Sun., Mar. 22nd (Lent V—Passion Sunday).** Services as usual.
- Wed., Mar. 25th (Annunciation of B.V.M.)** 10 a.m. Corporate Communion of Mothers' Union; 2.45 p.m. M.U. Deanery Service in All Saints' Church, Evesham; 4 p.m. Children's Service; 7 p.m. Lent Service.

### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER DAY SERVICES

- Sun., Mar. 29th (Lent VI—Palm Sunday)** 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 11 a.m. Sung Eucharist, Blessing and Distribution of Palms; 6.45 p.m. Evensong.
- Mon., Mar. 30th, Tues., Mar. 31st, Wed., Apr. 1st, Thursday, Apr. 2nd.** 10 a.m. Holy Communion; 7 p.m. Evensong and Devotional Reading.
- Good Friday (Apr. 3rd):—**  
10 a.m. Children's Service.  
2—3 p.m. "The Watch at the Cross," conducted by the Vicar of Bretforton.  
7 p.m. Stainer's "Crucifixion" will be sung by the Choir.
- Easter Day (Apr. 5th):—**  
7 and 8 a.m. Holy Communion.  
11 a.m. Sung Eucharist.  
6.45 p.m. Evensong, Sermon and Te Deum.

### NOTES AND NOTICES

**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING.—**  
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**MOTHERS' UNION.—**We are indebted to the Rev. Wilson Baker and Mrs. Heading-Mitchell for their addresses on Jan. 27th and Feb. 10th respectively.

The Members have contributed very generously, in several ways, to the Flood Relief Fund.

On Ash Wednesday the following were admitted to membership: Mrs. G. H. Stewart, Mrs. C. Harwood, Mrs. Woodward, Mrs. A. W. Smith, Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Charlwood.

Members are asked to note the arrangements for this month:—

**Tuesday, Mar. 10th.** 2.30 p.m. Branch Meeting. Speaker: Mrs. Bowstead Wilson.

**Sunday, Mar. 15th.** 3 p.m. "Mothering Sunday" Service.

**Tuesday, Mar. 24th.** 7 p.m. (instead of 2.30 p.m.) Branch Meeting. Speaker: Mr. J. E. F. Voss.

**Wed., Mar. 25th.** 10 a.m. Corporate Communion; 2.45 p.m. M.U. Deanery Service in All Saints' Church, Evesham.

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP.—**The Members owe a further debt of gratitude to our Secretary (Mr. M. G. Savory)—in this case for the amount of time and thought he expended on the preparation of a "Musical Menu" for the Meeting on Jan. 26th. He stated that he had tried to make it a varied menu ("something for all tastes") and this certainly proved to be the case. The result was a thoroughly enjoyable evening, enhanced by the producer's able running commentary.

Mr. W. E. Emms died very suddenly on Jan. 29th. He was a regular member of the Fellowship while his health permitted, and he will be much missed in our village. We extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Emms. W.B.C.

On Feb. 9th Mr. C. H. Gardiner in his talk on "Broadcasting and the Rural Listener" gave us back-stage glimpses of the production side of Radio programmes, and more especially of those which are intended to interest country folk. We learned of some of the difficulties, and even opposition, which had to be overcome in the production of features when only one in six of the total listeners is a son of the soil.

We should feel indebted to Mr. Gardiner, and men of his ilk, who are indeed champions in the cause of giving the rural minority programmes which are near to their hearts. It should be borne in mind that as long as they continue to work on our behalf, the countryside and its people will enjoy their rightful place in the community.

Several suggestions regarding rural broadcasts were put forward and Mr. Gardiner promised he would bring these to the notice of the powers that be and to look after our interests.

We thank him for his visit and a splendid evening.

Please don't forget the Film Show, by the Railway Executive, on March 9th and the Fellowship Supper on March 12th.

Kindly hand your name in as soon as possible to assist arrangements.

A Collection on Feb. 9th for the Flood Relief Fund realised £4 10s. 0d. M.G.S.

The news of the death of Mrs. Henry King was received with deep regret. She had shown a very gallant spirit throughout her long illness and it was a great privilege to minister to her. At times she seemed on the road to recovery, but it was not to be. On the evening of Sunday, Feb. 8th, she passed very quietly away from us to that place of which it is written "there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain." Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mr. Henry King and to the other members of the family in their

grievous loss. How widespread is that sympathy was evidenced by the attendance at the Funeral Service—beautifully sung by the Choir—on Friday, Feb. 13th.

Mrs. Brady (Commandant, Badsey Detachment, British Red Cross Society) writes: "By the death of Mrs. Henry King we have lost a most valuable Member. As our Secretary and Treasurer she was most loyal and conscientious and her cheerful disposition endeared her to us all." W.B.C.

**SANCTUARY GUILD.** — Next Meeting, Wed., March 18th, in the Parish Room, following the Lent Service. Refreshments will be provided by the 5th Sunday Group.

The Church Fête will be held on Sat., June 27th. Please book this date!

### FLOOD RELIEF

The response to the appeal for Bedding and Clothing was truly amazing. My most grateful thanks are extended to all in Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford who contributed. British Road Services collected the goods and took them to Nottingham on Mon., Feb. 9th.

I would also express my gratitude to the Vicar and Mrs. Chapman for the use of the Parish Room.

I. M. BRADY

[Editor's Note. A generous response to the Flood Relief Fund has been made by our Church Members, as indicated elsewhere in this issue. In addition, Badsey School remitted £13 13s. od. (as well as £4 15s. od. for the King George VI Memorial Fund). The house-to-house Collection in Badsey, Blackminster and Bowers Hill (organised by the British Legion) realised nearly £43. Several donations have been sent direct and it is evident that over £100 has been sent by our village to the Fund.]

### COLLECTIONS FOR CHURCH EXPENSES

Jan. 25th, £6 4s. 9d.; Feb. 1st, £6 9s. 8d.; Feb. 8th, £5 17s. 7d.; Total £18 12s. od.

### OTHER RECEIPTS

**Freewill Offering Envelopes**—Church Expenses £2 12s. 9d., Church Overseas 9s. 10d.—**Total £3 2s. 7d.** (No. 6, £1; No. 7, 4s.; No. 8, 4s.; No. 12, 4s.; No. 13, 5s.; No. 19, 6s. 7d.; No. 20, 4s.; No. 24, 10s.; No. 25, 3s.; No. 26, 2s.). **Church Overseas** (Feb. 15th—Evening) **£6 16s. 6d.**; **Flood Relief Fund** (Retiring Collections, Men's Fellowship, Mothers' Union, Sunday School) **£37 17s. 0d.**

### SIDESMEN ON DUTY

**Sunday, Mar. 1st.** — 8 a.m., Mr. M. Savory; 11 a.m., Messrs. G. Jones and D. Peet; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. F. Cleaver, R. R. Savory and J. T. Batchelor.

The list of Sidesmen on Duty for the remainder of the month will be posted in The Porch, following the election of Sidesmen at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Monday, Mar. 2nd.

### PARISH REGISTERS

#### Baptisms

Feb. 2nd. Wendy Louise Moran (Privately).  
Feb. 15th. Glenn William Toney.

#### Burials

Feb. 2nd. William Ernest Emms, aged 69 years.

### SERVERS AND CRUCIFERS ON DUTY

|                          | Server      | Crucifer    |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Sunday, Mar. 1st</b>  |             |             |
| 8 a.m.                   | A. Sears    | —           |
| 11 a.m.                  | D. Rouse    | K. Mitchell |
| 6.45 p.m.                | K. Mitchell | R. Harvey   |
| <b>Sunday, Mar. 8th</b>  |             |             |
| 8 a.m.                   | R. Hall     | —           |
| 11 a.m.                  | R. Harvey   | D. Rouse    |
| 6.45 p.m.                | D. Rouse    | K. Mitchell |
| <b>Sunday, Mar. 15th</b> |             |             |
| 8 a.m.                   | K. Mitchell | —           |
| 6.45 p.m.                | R. Harvey   | D. Rouse    |
| <b>Sunday, Mar. 22nd</b> |             |             |
| 8 a.m.                   | R. Harvey   | —           |
| 11 a.m.                  | D. Rouse    | K. Mitchell |
| 6.45 p.m.                | K. Mitchell | R. Harvey   |
| <b>Sunday, Mar. 29th</b> |             |             |
| 8 a.m.                   | L. Stewart  | —           |
| 11 a.m.                  | D. Rouse    | R. Harvey   |
| 6.45 p.m.                | R. Harvey   | K. Mitchell |

In response to the appeal in last month's Magazine, the following have kindly defrayed the cost of new Bell Ropes—Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Smith (Blackminster), Mr. and Mrs. G. Churchill, Mr. G. J. Savory (Droitwich). The cost, therefore, of providing eight new Ropes has been wholly met by donations and there will be no call on Church Funds. We are most grateful to all concerned.

A few days after Mr. G. J. Savory had made his kind offer he was called to his rest. While resident in Badsey he was most regular in his attendance at Church, and the fact that his last act was the donation of a new Bell Rope showed that he maintained his interest in the Church to the last. An expert craftsman, the Processional Cross was his handiwork and I shall always remember how readily he volunteered to do this as soon as the need was known. He was indeed "approved of God . . . a workman that needeth not to be ashamed" (2 Timothy 2. 15). May he rest in peace. We extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Savory. W.B.C.

Dennis Knight is now in the R.A.F. and John Hatcher in the Royal Navy. Both are ex-Choirboys and have rendered very faithful service at the Altar. We extend to them our best wishes.

### WICKHAMFORD NOTES

#### LENT SERVICES

**Sun., Mar. 1st (Lent II).** 9 a.m. H.C.; 5.30 p.m. Evensong.

**Sun., Mar. 8th (Lent III).** 5.30 p.m. Evensong.

**Sun., Mar. 15th (Lent IV—"Mothering Sunday").** 11 a.m. Matins; 11.40 a.m. H.C.; 5.30 p.m. "Mothering Sunday" Service.

**Sun., Mar. 22nd (Lent V—Passion Sunday).** 5.30 p.m. Evensong.

**Wed., Mar. 25th.**—See M.U. Notes.

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**Good Friday (Apr. 3rd).** 5.30 p.m. Evensong and Address.

**Easter Day (Apr. 5th)** 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion (with Hymns); 5.30 p.m. Evensong, Sermon, and Te Deum.

## NOTES AND NOTICES

**MOTHERS' UNION.**—It is hoped that the new Sanctuary Carpet will be ready for the "Mothering Sunday" Service on Sunday, March 15th. This is a most generous gift on the part of the members, and one which will greatly enhance the beauty of our Church.

Members are asked to note the Deanery Service in All Saints' Church, Evesham, on Wed., March 25th (Annunciation of the B.V.M.) at 2.45 p.m. There will be a Corporate Communion of Members in our Church at 9 a.m.

**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING.**—This Meeting will be held in the Parish Room on Wednesday, March 11th, at 8 p.m. It will be preceded at 7.45 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 Ruridecanal Conference appointed. W.B.C.

**SANCTUARY GUILD.**—Next Meeting, Wed., Mar. 18th, at 4 p.m., to make arrangements for the spring cleaning of the Church and for Easter Decorations.

**Collections for Church Expenses** (Jan. 25th to Feb. 15th incl.) **£8 1s. 0d.**; **Flood Relief Fund** (Retiring Collections) **£4 6s. 9d.**; Major S. B. Carter's Memorial Service **£12 10s. 0d.**

## PARISH REGISTERS

### Baptisms

Feb. 1st. Janet Irene Allchurch.

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP.**—At the February Meeting Mr. C. G. Green (late of the Metropolitan Police) gave a thrilling talk on the work of the "Flying Squad" and his personal experiences in cases of serious crimes. His talk, illustrated with photographs, held members spellbound and the Meeting lasted long after the usual time for closing down—it is rumoured that several members were called upon for explanations when they reached home! Our best thanks are due to Mr. Green. A return visit by him is eagerly awaited.

At the concluding Meeting of this Session—on Wed., Mar. 4th, at 7.30 p.m.—Mr. A. J. Billings will speak on "How your Rates are spent." This should certainly lead to a lively discussion! E.W.S.

In a letter to Miss A. L. Cox, Mr. John Drysdale has signified his wish to provide a Tea for the children again this year. It is hoped to hold this after Easter. Details will be announced later. May we again

make it clear that the Tea is for ALL children of school age, and is NOT confined to Sunday School Scholars.

The news of the tragic death of Mr. H. J. Idiens was very distressing to his friends in Badsey and Wickhamford. We shall always remember his faithful service as Sidesman at Wickhamford Church.

As we go to press, the news of Major S. B. Carter's sudden death has shocked us all. We offer deep sympathy to Mrs. S. B. Carter and to his mother. A memoir will be published in next month's issue.

## REPORTS OF VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

**BADSEY W.I.**—Mrs. S. B. Carter presided on Feb. 11th. Mrs. J. Major was warmly welcomed when she read her first report as Secretary, and Mrs. Harvey reported upon the Recorder School attended by four Members. A letter from a W.I. Member in Tasmania was read. Mrs. Taylor, retiring Secretary, was presented with a handbag as a token of affection and gratitude for all the work she has done during the past twenty years.

Mrs. Pratley had gained most marks in the Monthly Competitions, with Mrs. A. W. Sparrow second, and Mrs. J. Major third. Mrs. A. Marshall was appointed sick visitor. Mr. Ablett and Miss Meyrick Jones gave short talks on Welfare Work, to encourage members to join the Civil Defence.

A useful and amusing demonstration on Lamp Shades was given by Mrs. Dean and Mrs. Shannon Garvey, and a sketch was acted by Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Hartwell and Miss V. Sadler.

The sum of Two Guineas for the Flood Relief Fund was raised by a Competition won by Mrs. Goodall and Mrs. K. Cleaver.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. A. W. Sparrow and helpers.

**WICKHAMFORD W.I.** — The chief item at the February Meeting was an instructive demonstration by Mrs. Cheshire on Rug Making. Mrs. Fletcher discussed with us the possibilities of forming a Choir, and twelve Members came forward readily. Reports were given by Mrs. Dean (Sick Visitor), Mrs. G. Fowkes (Fladbury Party) and Mrs. A. Collett (Broadway Meeting).

Mrs. Batty was appointed Sick Visitor for the ensuing month.

Mrs. Cheshire and Mrs. Fletcher were thanked by Mrs. J. Byron and Mrs. E. Cooke respectively. A Competition, for a prize given by Mrs. Cooke, was won by Miss D. Read and realised £1 14s. 0d. for the Flood Relief Fund.

Tea Hostesses were Mesdames Arthurs, Boston, Hampton, G. J. Hancock, Jelfs and Miss B. Hancock.

The winners of the Bulb Competition were Mrs. Parry and Mrs. G. Hancock. These qualify for the County Bulb Competition.

Next Meeting, Thursday, March 12th, at 7 p.m.

Items of News for the April Magazine must be sent to the Vicar not later than Monday, March 16th.