

**Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford
Parish Review**

APRIL, 1954

BADSEY AND ALDINGTON NOTES

Sunday, April 4th (Passion Sunday). 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Matins; 6.45 p.m. Evensong. Wed., April 7th. 10 a.m., Holy Communion; 4 p.m., Children's Service; 7 p.m., Lent Service.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Sunday, April 11th (Palm Sunday):

8 a.m., Holy Communion, Blessing and Distribution of Palms.

11 a.m., Sung Eucharist, Blessing and Distribution of Palms.

6.45 p.m., Evensong. Preacher: The Very Rev. The Dean of Christ Church, Oxford.

Monday, April 12th, Tuesday, April 13th, Wednesday, April 14th, Thursday, April 15th:

10 a.m., Holy Communion.

7 p.m., Evensong and Devotional Reading.

Good Friday (April 16th):

10 a.m., Children's Service.

2-3 p.m., "The Watch at The Cross," conducted by the Vicar of Hampton.

7 p.m., "A Seven Lesson Service of the Passion."

Easter Day (April 18th):

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 25th):

8 a.m., Holy Communion.

11 a.m., Matins.

11.40 a.m., Holy Communion.

3.30 p.m., Holy Baptism.

6.45 p.m., Evensong.

N.B.—The administration of Holy Baptism will be on the 4th Sunday, instead of the 3rd Sunday, this month.

NOTES AND NOTICES

The Church Fête — Sat., June 26th.

Mrs. Brady (Hartcliff, Bretforton Road) has kindly offered to organise an Apron Competition at the Fête. A prize will be given for the most attractive Apron—any colour, material or design! All entries will be sold on behalf of the proceeds of the Fête. Please help to make this effort a success. The closing date for entries will be announced in next month's Review.

A Meeting of all willing to help with the Fête will be held in the Parish Room on Tuesday, April 27th, at 7 p.m. The P.C.C. Meeting, already arranged, will follow this Meeting.

Mothers' Union. We are glad to report another very good attendance on Feb. 23rd and Members were deeply impressed by Mrs. Champion's moving version of the story of Ruth and Naomi.

On March 9th, Members were very interested to hear from Mrs. Chapman how the Diocesan Cover of the M.U. Journal is produced.

Thirty-two Members attended the Joint Service at Bretforton on March 18th, and it is evident that this

annual gathering is well worth while. An excellent Tea was provided by the Bretforton Members after the Service.

The Meeting on March 23rd was given over to discussion of the following matters:—

(1) Visit to The Old House, Cropthorne, by kind invitation of Deaconess Mayes, on Tuesday, April 6th.

(2) Festival Service in The Cathedral on Wed., May 5th. Names to be given to the Vicar not later than Tuesday, April 27th.

(3) The Church Fête. Preliminary Plans were discussed and a further Meeting of all willing to help was arranged for Tuesday, April 27th, at 7 p.m.

(4) The Summer Outing on Thursday, July 15th. It was agreed to make enquiries regarding Shrewsbury and Llangollen. An announcement will be made as soon as possible.

The Members are providing new curtains for the Parish Room. Contributions towards the cost would be welcomed. Several gifts have already been made.

Men's Fellowship

The Meeting on Feb. 22nd took the form of discussions on various questions which were introduced most ably by individual members. Great credit was due to the young members for the intelligent and painstaking manner in which they approached their subjects. The meeting throughout was lively and interesting.

Thanks are due to Mr. M. Jennings for arranging another visit of a film unit from British Railways on March 8th. The three films shown constituted a pleasant contrast in style, and the exceedingly good Technicolor enhanced their beauty. It was an excellent conclusion to what can be looked upon as our best season, from all angles.

The Annual Supper, held at The Oak on Friday, March 19th, was exceptionally well attended. The wholehearted support and loyalty of the members are a grand tonic, and augur well for the continued prosperity of the Fellowship. From remarks passed it appears that everyone had a pleasant evening, and it is hoped that these will reach the ears of those who may be wondering what sort of a "crowd" we are, and may induce them to join us next season. They will be very welcome.

We are very grateful to the Evesham Methodist Male Voice Choir for so willingly giving their services. The applause for their well rendered Programme reflected the appreciation of all present. Thank you, too, Mr. W. H. Churchill (senior) for braving the elements and entertaining us.

The polished performance of Barron Houston, the illusionist, kept everyone highly amused and baffled during the whole time of his three appearances and it is hoped that one young member in particular was not too embarrassed at the strange things which were found upon his person!

Sincere thanks are due to Mrs. Chapman and her daughter for the usual punctilious manner in which they served our refreshments at all Meetings during the season. M.G.S.

[Editor's Note. I would again stress how much of the success of the past session is due to Mr. Savory's indefatigable work as Secretary. The arranging of Speakers, the plans for "Interim Meetings," and the organisation of the Annual Supper are wholly his work. We are indeed deeply indebted to him. That he may long continue in office is the wish of us all.—W.B.C.]

Parish Room. Members of the Men's Fellowship who kindly volunteered to help with the work of re-decoration are reminded that Tuesday, April 20th, is "The Day." There will be two Sessions—Afternoon (2.30 p.m.) and Evening (6 p.m.).

Anyone who can spare an hour or two will be welcome. Members of the Mothers' Union have kindly promised to put "the finishing touches" to the Room.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to:—

(1) Mr. Anker on the death of his wife in Evesham Hospital, after a long illness, on March 6th.

(2) Mr. F. Savage on the death of his wife in Evesham Hospital, after a very brief illness, on March 16th.

(3) Mr. Leslie Byrd on the death of his mother in Evesham Hospital, on March 19th.

(4) The family of Mrs. Salter, who died in Avon-side Hospital on March 23rd.

WAR MEMORIAL

The following are kindly responsible for the Flowers:—April 18th: Mrs. F. Barnard (In Memory H.J. and E.H.I.); April 25th: Mrs. Dungworth; May 2nd: Mrs. W. Sears.

Choir. The gentlemen of the Choir held their Annual Dinner at the Royal Oak on Friday, March 5th. The Vicar expressed his gratitude for the manner in which the members of the Choir had carried out their duties under their new Choirmaster (Mr. L. Bott). Mr. Bott suitably replied. The musical part of the evening opened with a song from an old stalwart, Mr. Bob Pethard, and other items included songs by Mrs. W. B. Chapman, Mr. W. Sparrow, Mr. G. A. King, "The Four Myth Brothers" (Messrs. R. Harvey, R. Hall, A. Sears and H. Wheatley), "The Three in Harmony" (Messrs. G. H. Stewart, A. G. Crisp and H. L. Hatcher), Mr. D. Bott and Mr. L. Bott. Mrs. G. W. Marshall was the accompanist.

COLLECTIONS FOR CHURCH EXPENSES

Feb. 28th, £7 3s. 6d.; Mar. 3rd-7th, £8 4s. 3d.; Mar. 10th-14th, £6 14s. 6d.; Mar. 17th-21st, £7 18s. 10d. **Total, £30 1s. 1d.**

OTHER RECEIPTS

British and Foreign Bible Society (Feb. 21st) £5 10s. 0d.; Freewill Offering Envelopes—Church Expenses, £2 8s. 2d., Church Overseas, 10s. 4d.—**Total £2 18s. 6d.** (No. 4, 4s.; No. 6, £1; No. 7, 4s.; No. 8, 4s.; No. 10, 4s.; No. 11, 9s.; No. 12, 4s.; No. 16, 4s.; No. 17, 5s. 6d.).

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms

Feb. 21st.—Melvyn Robert Williams.
March 21st.—Christine Ann Redgewell.
March 21st.—Wilfred John Styles.

Marriages

March 2nd.—Austin Clifford Mansell, Fladbury, and Isobel Robinson, Badsey.

Burials

March 10th.—Alice Anker, aged 72 years.
March 20th.—Nora Dorothy Savage, aged 50 years.

SERVERS AND CRUCIFERS ON DUTY

	Server	Crucifer
Sunday, April 4th		
8 a.m.	R. Hall	—
11 a.m.	P. Hatcher	D. Barrand
6.45 p.m.	H. Wheatley	A. Sears
Sunday, April 11th		
8 a.m.	H. Wheatley	—
11 a.m.	A. Sears	P. Hatcher
6.45 p.m.	R. Hall	R. Harvey
Sunday, April 18th		
7 a.m.	B. F. P. Blake	—
8 a.m.	K. Mitchell	—
11 a.m.	E. Salter	R. Harvey
6.45 p.m.	P. Hatcher	D. Barrand
Sunday, April 25th		
8 a.m.	A. Sears	—
11 a.m.	P. Hatcher	A. Sears
6.45 p.m.	R. Harvey	R. Hall
Sunday, May 2nd		
8 a.m.	N. Langstone	—
11 a.m.	R. Hall	H. Wheatley
6.45 p.m.	A. Sears	P. Hatcher

ROTA OF SIDESMEN ON DUTY

Sunday, April 4th.—8 a.m., Mr. G. H. Stewart; 11 a.m., Messrs. G. Jones and D. Peet; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. J. T. Batchelor, F. Cleaver and M. Brady.

Sunday, April 11th.—8 a.m., Mr. A. L. Byrd; 11 a.m., Messrs. J. E. F. Voss and T. W. Hardiman; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. M. Barnard, P. Case and D. A. Jelfs.

Sunday, April 18th.—7 a.m., Churchwardens; 8 a.m., Mr. M. Brady; 11 a.m., Churchwardens; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. R. Hartwell, R. Knight and Patrick Sparrow.

Sunday, April 25th.—8 a.m., Mr. J. Major; 11 a.m., Messrs. P. H. Sparrow and J. E. F. Voss; 6.45 p.m., Messrs. C. Stewart, A. W. Sparrow and A. Worthington.

Sunday, May 2nd.—As Sunday, April 4th.

Mr. C. A. BINYON

Mr. Binyon was the recipient of numerous messages of congratulations and good wishes on the occasion of his eightieth birthday. He writes: "I take this opportunity to say how very grateful I am to all those kind friends who sent me greetings, cards or presents on the occasion of my eightieth birthday."

WICKHAMFORD NOTES

Sunday, April 4th (Passion Sunday), 9 a.m., Holy Communion; 5.30 p.m., Evensong.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Palm Sunday (April 11th):
2.30 p.m., Children's Service.
5.30 p.m., Evensong. Distribution of Palms.
Good Friday (April 16th):
5.30 p.m., "A Hymn Service of the Passion."
Easter Day (April 18th):
9.30 a.m., Holy Communion (with Hymns).
5.30 p.m., Evensong.
Low Sunday (April 25th):
5.30 p.m., Evensong.

In Memoriam—WILLIAM PEARCE

The village has suffered a most grievous loss through the death of Mr. William Pearce. Wickhamford Church had no more devoted and loyal member. Until his health failed he was always to be found in his place in God's House, joining in the Services with sincere and heartfelt devotion. His love for his Church remained until the end, and his profound faith was the root of those qualities which gained for him the respect and affection of us all. Strict integrity in business, abounding generosity and un-failing kindness in word and deed—these are some of the things we shall always associate with one who truly "walked with God," and whose memory we shall treasure. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Pearce and her sons.

"Keep innocency and take heed unto the thing that is right, for that shall bring a man peace at the last."

W.B.C.

Mothers' Union. Mrs. Potter's visit on March 3rd was a memorable event and her talk was very much appreciated by our Members.

Fifteen Members attended the Joint Service at Bretforton Church on Wed., March 18th (see Badsey M.U. Notes).

Wed., May 5th: Festival Service in The Cathedral. Names to be given to the Vicar not later than Tues. April 27th.

We are most grateful (1) to Mrs. Figgitt for kindly volunteering to be responsible for the cleaning of the Church and (2) to Mrs. G. W. Marshall and Mr. R. R. Savory for so kindly acting as Organists during the illness of Mr. T. H. Knight.

The Spring Cleaning of the Church will take place on Tuesday, April 13th. Those willing to help are asked to meet at 2.30 p.m.

P.C.C. Next Meeting, Wed., April 21st, at 8 p.m., in the Parish Room and Memorial Hall.

Collections for Church Expenses (Feb. 21st to Mar. 21st incl.)—£13 8s. 2d.

A long felt want has been supplied by the gift by a kind friend, who wishes to remain anonymous, of an antique oak table for use in the Vestry. We are very grateful for this addition to our Church.

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Burials

March 4th.—William Pearce, aged 78 years.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

Badsey W.I. The results of the annual Bulb Show, held on Wed., March 10th, were as follows:
Daffodils—Mrs. B. A. Sears (1), Mrs. C. Pratley (2).
Hyacinths—Mrs. S. B. Carter (1), Miss E. Jones (2).
Iris Reticulata—Mrs. B. A. Sears.
Open Class—Mrs. S. J. Wheatley.
Cup (for most points)—Mrs. B. A. Sears.
Cup (for best exhibit)—Mrs. S. B. Carter.

The Judges—Messrs. J. E. Knight and W. Churchill (senr.)—were thanked by Mrs. S. B. Carter. Mrs. C. Pratley was in charge of the Show.

Mrs. A. Reed read Mrs. L. Shelley's report on the Annual Council Meeting and Mrs. Brooks was elected Sick Visitor for the month.

A Demonstration of a Hoover Washing Machine was given by Mrs. Hebden, assisted by Mr. Poole. Thanks were expressed by Mrs. Taylor.

During the Social Half-Hour Mrs. A. Bell entertained us with two Monologues.

Refreshments were served by Mesdames Evans, Edwards, Ellison, Floyd, Grove and Mitchell.

The Monthly Competition was won by Mrs. C. Savage.

I. M. EVANS

British Legion (Women's Section). Mrs. J. Barnard presided at the Branch Meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 23rd. Mrs. L. Littlewood reported on the Midland Area Conference held at Buxton. Mrs. I. Knight was appointed delegate to the Annual Conference to be held at Blackpool in May. A Bulb Competition was judged by Mr. J. E. Knight and Mr. W. Churchill, the winners being: Class 1—Mrs. R. Sparrow (1), Mrs. A. Jones (2); Class II—Mrs. I. Knight (1), Mrs. Johnston (2); Class III—Mrs. A. Cyril (1), Mrs. C. Harwood (2).

After refreshments, served by members of the Committee, Mrs. M. G. Savory gave a most interesting account of her recent visit to Paris and Members are greatly indebted to her. The Monthly Competition was won by Mrs. G. Cyril.

R. M. BARNARD

Wickhamford W.I. At the March meeting with Mrs. E. Cooke in the chair, Mrs. Pritchard, at very short notice, gave an interesting talk on the making of lamp shades. A vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. Voelcker. Mrs. G. Mills gave her report on the Annual Council Meeting, and Mrs. T. Shannon-Garvey was elected on the Home Safety Committee. The Sick Visitor's report was given by Mrs. A. Webb and Mrs. D. Arthurs was elected for the ensuing month. The "Bring and Buy" Stall, run by Mrs. S. Figgett and Mrs. H. Dean, made a considerable profit. A Competition for the best pot of home-made marmalade, judged by Mrs. Pritchard and Mrs. Clarke, was won by Mrs. S. Carter. The Social Half-Hour concluded the evening, a prize being won by Mrs. A. Webb.

Tea Hostesses were Mesdames Fowkes, Jelfs, Malins, Philips and Mitchell.

D. DAFFURN