

**Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford
Parish Review**

OCTOBER, 1955

BADSEY AND ALDINGTON NOTES

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, Oct. 2nd. Services as usual.

Sunday, Oct. 9th. Services as usual.

Sunday, Oct. 16th. (Day of Prayer for Hospitals and for the Medical Missionary Work of The Church).—Services as usual.

Sunday, Oct. 23rd. (Day of Prayer for Religious Education).—Services as usual. (See below).

Sunday, Oct. 30th. Services as usual. (6.45 p.m. Evensong and Service of Preparation for All Saints-tide).

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

Wednesday, Nov. 2nd (All Souls).—10 a.m. Holy Communion.

N.B. The names of the faithful departed to be commemorated should be given to the Vicar not later than Friday, Oct. 28th.

Sunday, Nov. 6th (Remembrance Sunday).—Services as in previous years. (Collections for Earl Haig's Fund—Poppy Day Appeal).

**DAY OF PRAYER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
(SUNDAY, OCT. 23rd)**

"Education needs teachers, schools, equipment, regulations, machinery. For all these needs the Education Act provides. But education is a spiritual activity. The student learns: but what matters is how he uses his learning, what sort of a person his education makes him to be: and that depends a great deal upon the person from whom he learns and the society (school, home, community) in which he learns and lives. It is the concern of every Christian that in all this spiritual activity of student, teacher, home and community, the grace and guidance of the Holy Spirit should be sought and found." (The Archbishop of Canterbury).

PRAYERS

(1) For Teachers

"Give Thy light, O God, to those who have the duty of teaching others, that both by word and example they may be channels of the living word of Truth; this we ask in the name of Him Who is the Way, the Truth and the Life, even Jesus Christ our Lord." Amen.

(2) For Parents and Scholars

"O Lord Christ, who lived in an earthly home at Nazareth, bring the children of this parish in love to Thee that they may serve Thee in Thy Church; give wisdom and faithfulness to all parents, that Christian homes may be the bulwark of our common life, and that together we may rejoice in Thy truth, for Thy name's sake." Amen.

(3) For The Church

"Almighty God, who hast knit Thy Church together as one body in worship and witness, so fill the Church and all its members with the spirit of Thy truth, that, amid all the fears and ignorance which lie about us, we may ever stand fast in our love and loyalty to Thee and in our witness to the Faith we profess, in the name of Him who has promised that the Holy Spirit shall guide us unto all truth, even Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." Amen.

P.C.C. At the Meeting on Sept. 12th it was unanimously agreed to pay the Diocesan Quota (£122) in full this year. Grateful thanks were expressed to Mr. G. H. Stewart for all he had done in connection with the surfacing of the Churchyard path and with the installation of lights at the West gate. The question of flowering Shrubs in the Churchyard was deferred until the next Meeting. A lengthy and most valuable discussion took place with regard to questions to be considered at the October Meeting of the Ruridecanal Conference.

Next Meeting, Monday, Nov. 7th at 7 p.m. in the Parish Room.

Mothers' Union. As announced in last month's issue, a new session begins on Tuesday, Oct. 11th at 2.30 p.m. when Mr. R. Wilson (Ashton-under-Hill) will give his talk on "Dialect." On Tuesday, Oct. 25th the Vicar will speak on "Church History."

Further arrangements are as follows:—

Tuesday, Nov. 8th. Speaker: Rev. E. Skyes (S.P.G.). Exhibition of Chinese articles.

Tuesday, Nov. 22nd. "Black and White" Film Show. Tuesday, Dec. 6th. The Vicar will give a further talk on "Church History."

The reason for the two talks on Church History is that this is the recommended subject for study throughout the Diocese this year.

It is cheering to be told by several Members that they "will be glad when Meetings start again"! A.M.C.

Men's Fellowship. Once again we come to the beginning of another session. The speaker on Tuesday, Oct. 11th will be Mr. G. Hall, his subject being "The Black Country." This should prove most interesting, apart from the fact that many of us have connections with that district.

My hope and ambition has always been that we should muster 50 members at our meetings. Now you fellows can make that possible by doing your best to bring a friend along with you and I feel confident that if they give the Fellowship a trial they will wish to attend regularly. Will you please help to achieve this target?

A sincere welcome is extended to you all, and may 1955/56 be as happy as previous years.

Thank you.

M.G.S.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Hart and her daughter (Mrs. A. L. Byrd), and to Mrs. Austen Jones in their recent bereavements.

We are very glad to welcome a new District Nurse and hope she will be very happy in her work in Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford.

Sunday School. The School is now officially linked—through the Universities Mission to Central Africa—with Mr. Heald's work in the Leper Hospital at Lulindi.

ARTHUR TALBOYS HART—R.I.P.

Mr. and Mrs. Hart came to the Vicarage Flat in 1950. They had previously lived in London, chiefly in Hackney. Mr. Hart took a prominent part in public affairs, being a member of the Council for many years. He was a well-known public speaker. A tribute to his valuable work was paid in the local press. It was a great change for him to live in the country, but he quickly adapted himself to village life and soon became a familiar figure in Badsey. His was a most friendly disposition and he had a cheery greeting for all and sundry. He was generous to a degree, ever ready to give help to a needy cause. He took a great interest in the Men's Fellowship and attended the Meetings regularly until his health failed. He was most patient during his last illness and deeply appreciative of all that was done for him, but he grew very weary towards the last. He passed away peacefully on Sunday, Sept. 4th. Many of us will miss him greatly, but we shall have very happy memories of him.

W.B.C.

THE FETE—AUGUST 27th

Another fine day and another great success! The programme of events worked out very well and there was much support for the opinion of the person who affirmed that it had been one of the best Fêtes ever held on the Recreation Ground and that "there was something going on all the time."

The net result (£220) means that the two united efforts have realised £620 i.e. £120 above the target. This is a splendid achievement and those responsible are to be highly congratulated. Moreover, there has been a real spirit of fellowship and co-operation in the making and carrying out of arrangements.

In addition to the various "classes" of helpers on whom the success of previous Fêtes has rested (you will find them mentioned in the account of the June Fête), we have to acknowledge most gratefully the kindness of the Mayor and Mayoress of Evesham, who entered so wholeheartedly into the proceedings. Miss Audrey Daniels and her pupils for the Dancing Display, those responsible for the amusing Cricket Match, Mrs. Gozard and others for judging the various Competitions.

WAR MEMORIAL

The following are kindly responsible for the Flowers:

Oct. 2nd. Mrs. Chapman.
Oct. 9th. Mrs. P. H. Sparrow.
Oct. 16th. Mrs. Bonehill.
Oct. 23rd. Mrs. Cook.
Oct. 30th. Mrs. A. Reed.
(Nov. 6th. Wreaths).

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms

Sept. 18th. Jennifer Joyce Hay
Howard Martin Jones
Susan Margaret Smith
Patricia Ward
Sarah Mansell
Ross Mark Sadler

Marriages

Sept. 17th. George Beresford Walford, Bretforton, and Audrey May Brotherton, Badsey.

Burials

Sept. 7th. Arthur Talboys Hart, aged 77 years.
Sept. 8th. Norah Frances Sargent Hunt, aged 71 years.

Collections for Church Expenses

Aug. 21st (Evening), £5 12s. 2d.; Aug. 28th, £7 3s. 3d.; Sept. 4th, £6 9s. 1d.; Sept. 11th, £9 13s. 4d.—Total £28 17s. 10d.

Other Receipts

Freewill Offering Envelopes (Aug. 14th, 21st, 28th)—Church Expenses £1 4s. 5d., Church Overseas 9s. 7d.—Total £1 14s. 0d. (No. 6, 15s.; No. 8, 4s.; Nos. 7, 10, 11, 12, 16, 3s.). **Church Overseas Fund** (Sept. 18th, Evening) £7 0s. 6d.

SERVERS AND CRUCIFERS ON DUTY

| | Server | Crucifer |
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| Sunday, Oct. 2nd | | |
| 8 a.m. | P. Hatcher | — |
| 11 a.m. | E. Salter | H. Wheatley |
| 6.45 p.m. | R. Hall | A. Sears |
| Sunday, Oct. 9th | | |
| 8 a.m. | R. Hall | — |
| 11 a.m. | P. Hatcher | B. Caswell |
| 6.45 p.m. | R. Harvey | H. Wheatley |
| Sunday, Oct. 16th | | |
| 8 a.m. | H. Wheatley | — |
| 6.45 p.m. | A. Sears | P. Hatcher |
| Sunday, Oct. 23rd | | |
| 8 a.m. | B. Caswell | — |
| 11 a.m. | A. Sears | R. Harvey |
| 6.45 p.m. | P. Hatcher | R. Hall |
| Sunday, Oct. 30th | | |
| 8 a.m. | R. Harvey | — |
| 11 a.m. (H.C.) | R. Salter | A. Sears |
| 6.45 p.m. | R. Hall | H. Wheatley |
| Sunday, Nov. 6th | | |
| 8 a.m. | K. Mitchell | — |
| 11 a.m. | R. Hall | R. Harvey |
| 6.45 p.m. | H. Wheatley | B. Caswell |

ROTA OF SIDESMEN ON DUTY

Sunday, Oct. 2nd. 8 a.m. Mr. G. H. Stewart; 11 a.m. Messrs. D. Peet and G. A. O. Jones; 6.45 p.m. Messrs. J. T. Batchelor, N. Cleaver and M. Brady.

Sunday, Oct. 9th. 8 a.m. Mr. A. L. Byrd; 11 a.m. Messrs. T. W. Hardiman and Churchwarden; 6.45 p.m. Messrs. D. A. Jelfs, M. J. Barnard and A. W. Smith.

Sunday, Oct. 16th. 8 a.m. Mr. M. Brady; 6.45 p.m. Messrs. R. Hartwell, R. Knight and T. C. Sparrow.

Sunday, Oct. 23rd. 8 a.m. Mr. J. Major; 11 a.m. Mr. P. H. Sparrow and Churchwarden; 6.45 p.m. Messrs. C. Stewart, A. W. Sparrow and R. J. Taylor.

Sunday, Oct. 30th. 8 a.m. Mr. T. W. Hardiman; 11 a.m. Mr. J. Major and Churchwarden; 6.45 p.m. Messrs. A. L. Byrd, P. A. Jelfs and G. H. Stewart.

Sunday, Nov. 6th.—As Sunday, Oct. 2nd.

WICKHAMFORD NOTES

Sunday, Oct. 2nd (Harvest Thanksgiving and Gift Day)
9.30 a.m. Holy Communion (with Hymns); 5.30 p.m. Evensong. Preacher: Rev. Canon T. Charles Jones, Vicar and Rural Dean of Evesham.

Sunday, Oct. 9th. 5.30 p.m. Evensong.

Sunday, Oct. 16th (Day of Prayer for Hospitals and for the Medical Missionary Work of the Church). 11 a.m. Matins; 11.40 a.m. Holy Communion; 5.30 p.m. Evensong.

Sunday, Oct. 23rd (Day of Prayer for Religious Education). 5.30 p.m. Evensong. (See elsewhere in this issue).

Sunday, Oct. 30th. 5.30 p.m. Evensong and Service of Preparation for All Saints-tide.

N.B. The names of the faithful departed to be commemorated at All Saints-tide should be given to the Vicar not later than Friday, Oct. 28th. There will be celebrations of Holy Communion at Badsey Church at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 1st (All Saints) and on Wednesday, Nov. 2nd (All Souls).

Sunday, Nov. 6th (Remembrance Sunday). 9 a.m. Holy Communion; 6.30 p.m. Evensong (Collections for Earl Haigs's Fund—Poppy Day Appeal).

Mothers' Union. Meetings re-start on Wed., Oct. 5th. It is hoped that there will be a full attendance of Members, in order that plans for the future can be discussed.

Collections for Church Expenses (Aug. 21st to Sept. 18th incl.) £13 13s. 8d.

PARISH REGISTERS

Marriages

Sept. 10th. Donald James Green, Evesham, and Pamela Cox, Wickhamford.

P.C.C. At the Meeting on Sept. 7th it was decided (1) to pay the Diocesan Quota (£37) in full this year, (2) to allocate the Collection on Advent Sunday (Nov. 27th) to the British and Foreign Bible Society. An interesting discussion took place on the questions to be dealt with at the forthcoming Meeting of the Ruridecanal Conference.

The date of the next Meeting will be announced later.

Sunday School. The School is now officially linked—through the Universities Mission to Central Africa—with Mr. Heald's work in the Leper Hospital at Lulindi.

THE SANDYS MONUMENT

The Diocesan Surveyor (Mr. Maurice Jones), after an inspection of the Monument, reported as follows:—

"It is evident that there has been a good deal of uneasy movement. Most of the joints of the canopy and cornice have opened out, and the whole of the canopy has gone over to the east. The canopy is supported by bolts taken up through a baulk of timber which rests above and in turn is suspended from the roof truss. The bolts are loose and the iron stay is not under tension. Two of the Purbeck columns have suffered damage. A large piece has been spalled near the head of one column (which may be due to an iron clamp) and another is fractured in a horizontal direction."

(After correspondence with Lord Sandys, the question of the repair of the Monument has been referred to the Diocesan Advisory Committee).

REPORTS OF VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

Badsey W.I. Mrs. S. B. Carter presided at the September Meeting and introduced Mrs. Haines, who gave a most interesting demonstration of cooking by gas. At the conclusion of the demonstration Members drew lots

to sample the various dishes—a proceeding which caused much amusement. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Shelley and helpers. Two very amusing sketches were then presented by the newly formed Drama Group, Mrs. A. Bell being the Producer. Amid much applause Mrs. Carter thanked Mrs. Haines and the members of the Drama Group for such an entertaining evening.

The Monthly Competition—a Swiss Roll—was judged by Mrs. Haines and won by Mrs. Ingram.

The Meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

Wickhamford W.I. Mrs. E. Cooke presided at the September meeting, when Mrs. Danks gave a very interesting demonstration of dressmaking. She was thanked by Mrs. Collett. A Worked Buttonhole Competition was won by Mrs. G. Hancock and Miss A. Cox, and one for guessing the number of beans in a jar by Miss L. Boston. Tea hostesses were Mesdames D. Arthurs, M. Williams, G. Jenkins and C. Cox. Mrs. C. Cox was elected Sick Visitor for the ensuing month.

Cancer Research Campaign. The recent House-to-House Collection in Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford realised £35 6s. 0d. The Appeal Secretaries wish to express their very grateful thanks for the continued help in this vital work. The work of the Collectors is also gratefully acknowledged. I. M. Brady

THE LIGHTER SIDE

Below are some of the contributions to a "Put it in a Nut Shell" Competition in the "Church Times":—

THE NEW VICAR

JANUARY: He's come!
He'll make things hum!
We've got a plum.

FEBRUARY: He pleases some,
Makes others glum.
(He's *rather* rum!)

MARCH: Now keep this mum,
As though you're dumb.
(We rather wish he *hadn't* come.)

THE SEVEN AGES OF WOMAN

1. Little Angel.
2. Soppy Kid.
3. Flippant Flapper.
4. Best Girl.
5. Our Mum.
6. Getting on.
7. Simply Wonderful.

A LOVE STORY

Boy biking,
Girl hiking.
Boy winks,
Girl blinks.
Both talk,
And walk
Many miles;
Cupid smiles.
Happy ending,
Two lives blending.

APOTHEOSIS

- AD
1700. Angelic babe.
1708. Impish boy.
1716. Spirited youth.
1720. Seraphic lover.
1730. Fiendish husband.
1740. Diabolical parent.
1955. Sainted ancestor.