

# BADSEY, ALDINGTON and WICKHAMFORD PARISH REVIEW

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## CHURCH OF ST. JAMES, BADSEY.

### SUNDAY SERVICES :

8 a.m.—Holy Communion (also at 11-40 a.m. on the Fourth Sunday)

11 a.m.—Sung Eucharist (Second Sunday and Festivals)

Matins (First, Fourth and Fifth Sundays)

6-45 p.m.—Evensong

Holy Baptism—Third Sunday, 3 p.m. (Parents must see the Vicar personally at least seven days before).

WEEK-DAY SERVICES. According to notice.

Churchwardens : ... Mr. G. A. Jones.

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Mr. G. H. Stewart.

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Treasurer P.C.C. : ... Mr. M. H. Harvey.

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Clerk : ... Mr. E. Mitchell, 68 Synehurst.

## CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, WICKHAMFORD.

### SUNDAY SERVICES :

9 a.m.—First Sunday : Holy Communion (9-15 a.m. Festivals)

11 a.m.—Family Service (Third Sunday)

11-40 a.m.—Holy Communion (Third Sunday)

5-30 p.m.—Evensong

WEEK-DAY SERVICES : According to notice.

Churchwardens : ... Mr. E. Cooke.

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Mr. J. E. Parry.

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Clerk : ... Mr. C. H. Willis, 35 Pitchers Hill.

## THE VICAR'S LETTER.

My dear People,

Many of you took part in the Procession of Witness through the streets of Evesham in the summer of 1958, and were glad afterwards that you had done so. That demonstration of the Church's strength and determination to witness made quite an impression at the time. However, it was confined only to the parishes of Evesham Deanery and was therefore on a limited scale.

Do you remember the occasion? It was part of the 'Lambeth Walk' when the Bishops who had come from all over the world for the Lambeth Conference were visiting the dioceses of England to show that they and we all belong to the same worldwide Church. Soon afterwards the Bishops assembled at Lambeth for their deliberations, and this was one of their resolutions:—

"The Conference calls on every Church member, clergy and laity alike, to take an active part in the Mission of the Church. It is a mission to the whole world not only in area but in all the concerns of mankind. It has no frontiers between 'Home' and 'Foreign' but is concerned to present Christ to people everywhere.

"Each generation needs to be evangelised and to this all-important task we summon the people of God in every land."

Much water has flowed under the bridges in the three years since that appeal was made: waters not only of Badsey Brook and River Avon, but of Ganges and Congo, Yellow River and Mississippi, mountain torrent and jungle swamp. While I am writing these words, quite a number of people have died of hunger since I began the page, and several new lives have begun in this world while I am writing this sentence. There are now ten times as many living souls on earth to be won for Christ as there were on the Day of Pentecost, and every year Christians are a smaller minority.

All this would be frightening, if we were to leave out one all-important fact: the power of the Holy Spirit in His Church today. If the Holy Spirit's power cannot be seen and felt, it is because men and women are not yielding themselves to be the conductors of His energy and light. The remedy therefore lies with us His called and chosen servants, consecrated by our Baptism to lifelong surrender to His claims.

The Diocesan Missionary Festival, to be held this year in Evesham gives us all a splendid opportunity—for three things:

- (1) to learn all we can about the worldwide mission of the Church;
- (2) to join our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout Worcestershire in bearing witness to our faith;

(3) to offer ourselves and our goods to God to spend and be spent in His service, wherever and whenever He calls.

An attractive illustrated programme of the Festival at 6d. can be obtained from me. The main time-table of the day, **Saturday, June 3rd**, is as follows:—

- 9-30 a.m. Corporate Communion at All Saints', Evesham.
- 10-0 onwards. Missionary Exhibition in Walker Hall, where coffee will be served.
- From 2-30. Assembly of Procession of Witness in Smithfield Market. (Choir will have been given their instructions. Individual parishioners look out for your own parochial contingent on arrival.)
- 3-0 Procession moves off. (No one will be allowed to take seats in All Saints' or St. Lawrence's Churches until those taking part in the procession of witness have entered and gone to their seats.)
- 3-30 Festival Services in All Saints' and St. Lawrence's Churches. Preacher: Bishop Trapp (formerly of Zululand), General Secretary of the S.P.G.

(At 4-45 tea will be served in the Public Hall at 2/- per person. This is chiefly to supply the need of visitors from other parts of the Diocese, but if any of you would like tea tickets, please apply to me as soon as possible.)

Whether able to come to the Festival or not, will you all please use this prayer for the Festival—

Almighty God, who didst send thy Son to be the Saviour of the world, bless our Missionary Festival, that the hearts of many may be touched, their zeal kindled, and their understanding enlightened. Stir the hearts of those indifferent to the challenge of our time and give us all the spirit of prayer and service, and accept our efforts, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

PETER BRABY.

## BADSEY AND ALDINGTON NOTES Church Services

### JUNE

- 4 **Trinity I.** As usual for 1st Sun. 11-0 Family Service.  
7, Wed. 10-0 Holy Communion.  
11 **St. Barnabas, Apostle. Trinity II.** As usual for 2nd Sun.  
14, Wed. St. Basil, Bp. & Dr. 10-0 H.C.  
18 **Trinity III.** As usual for 3rd Sun. 3-0 Holy Baptism.  
21, Wed. 10-0 H.C.  
24, Sat. **Nativity of St. John Baptist.** (See Wickhamford Notes).  
25 **Trinity IV.** As usual for 4th Sun.  
28, Wed. No H.C.  
29, Thurs. **St. Peter, Apostle & Martyr.** 10-0 H.C.  
**P.C.C. & Fete Meeting,** Tues., June 13, 8-0 p.m.

## A Midsummer Day's Dream.

O Mummy dear, what have you done?  
That calendar from Auntie Bessie  
(Of sporting dog and man with gun),  
Already getting rather messy  
With ringings round and scratchings through,  
Has got a circle round the date  
That we were going to have a treat on.  
You said you'd take us to the Fete  
(Op'ning at three by Mrs. Heaton)  
On Saturday June twenty-four  
In garden of the Vicarage.  
And Gran was coming too, for sure  
There's something there for every age.  
You'd win the ankle comp., you know,  
And Dad's a cert for knobbly knees;  
My fancy dress I want to show,  
The orange-shy our Jim will please.  
If bowling makes Grandpa feel thirsty,  
The bottle stall stands close at hand.  
Dad can't go there at once, for first he  
Must purchase from the jelly stand,  
And buy for you gifts and cosmetics,  
While you are choosing Sunday's cake.  
As none of us are lean ascetics,  
The produce stall is there to make  
Our big mouths water for a cherry.  
You, Mum, can buy some fresh green peas  
While we with strawberries make merry.  
You grown-ups then can try the teas;  
You'll find us hunting for the treasure.  
Your character we know, it's true—  
But, if it gives you any pleasure,  
An expert's there to tell it you.  
If you would save your reputation,  
You'll have to take us to the Fete."  
"Child, give me time for explanation:  
That's why I have ringed round the date."

**Servers for June.** 4th, 8-0 B. Caswell; 11-0 H. Wheatley; 6-45 P. Bott. 11th, 8-0 M. Betteridge; 11-0 T. Hatcher (Server), D. Barrand (Crucifer); 6-45 A. Hartwell. 18th, 8-0 H. Wheatley; 6-45 C. Harwood. 25th, 8-0 D. Barrand; 11-0 P. Bott; 6-45 M. Betteridge.

**War Memorial Flowers.** June 4th, Mr. J. Holding; 11th, Mrs. Edwards; 18th, Mrs. W. H. Reed; 25th, Mrs. Betteridge.

### Holy Baptism

April 25th (Adult) Edward Rowland Taylor.

### Confirmation

April 25th By the Bishop of Worcester: John William Frederick Hartwell, Edward Rowland Taylor, Una Louise Taylor, Dennis Anthony Hartwell, John Clifford Charles Jones, Jennifer Lilian Jones, Caroline Mary Gresty.

### Holy Matrimony

April 26th Cyril James Cresswell, of Offenham, and Avis Helen Bell, of Aldington.

### Burial. R.I.P.

May 16th David John Sears Dore, aged 85.

Mr. Jack Dore had been an invalid for so many years that we can be thankful for his release. He sadly missed his beloved wife who died at Christmas, 1958. He has had devoted care and nursing from his daughters.

**Jottings.** April 25th was a specially happy day for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jones, for it was not only their daughter Jennifer's Confirmation day, but their Silver Wedding.

We all wish a complete and speedy recovery to Mr. Frank Reeves, who at the time of writing has just undergone an operation. Mrs. Harry Stewart is recovering from a severe bronchial attack. We are glad to welcome home from hospital Mrs. Nora Cook, Mrs. Ernest Sadler, Mrs. R. J. Bennett, Mrs. E. Mitchell, Mr. R. Crane, Mr. J. Keen and Julie Stewart. We pray for others in hospital at the time of writing, including Mrs. G. E. Addis and Mrs. W. H. Addis. Mrs. Harvey is now making good progress in her convalescence. We are glad too that Miss Ethel Sladden is making a good recovery after her recent indisposition.

**Youth Conference.** A youth conference was held in the Walker Hall, Evesham, on May 4th, and was attended by many young people representing the churches of this deanery.

The agenda included a talk by Mr. M. Jones from Northampton, suggesting ways of interesting young people in church activities; he then answered many questions and comments. This was followed by an election of a planning committee: Chairman, Diane Love; Secretary, P. R. Raymer—and then a discussion on proposed activities, which were many in number.

The first important meeting is to be a **Youth Rally in Worcester Cathedral on Saturday, 17th June**, followed by tea and entertainment by a youth fellowship, and finally a dance from 7-30 till 10-0 with transport from and to all villages represented. Cynthia Bell.

(We are so glad that Miss Cynthia Bell has herself been elected to the Planning Committee. Editor.)

**Mothers' Union.** The branch meeting will be on Tuesday, 27th June, at 7-15 p.m. Corporate Communion will be on Wednesday, 7th June at 10-0 a.m., and Committee Meeting on Monday, 5th June at 2-30 p.m. E.G.B.

**Communicants.** Week beginning April 23rd, 38; 30th, 57; May 7th, 60; 14th, 58.

**Collections.** April 23rd, £7-9-0; 30th, £7-13-0; May 7th, £9-15-4; Ascension Day (Missions), £3-6-2; 14th, £8-15-9.

**Birthday Half-Crowns.** Mr. P. Case, (84th), Mrs. G. Danks, Frances Elizabeth Ives.

**Silver Wedding.** Mr. & Mrs. F. G. Jones, £5.

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- 11 **St. Barnabas, Apostle. Trin. II.** As usual for 2nd Sun.
- 18 **Trin. III.** 11-0 Family Service. **Preacher: The Bishop of Antigua.** Otherwise as usual for 3rd Sun.
- 24, Sat. **Nativity of St. John Baptist. (PATRONAL FESTIVAL).** 7-30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 25 **Trin. IV. (Patronal Festival).** As usual for 4th Sun.

### Visit of Bishop of Antigua.

On Sunday, 18th June, the Right Rev. D. R. Knowles, Bishop of Antigua in the West Indies, will be visiting parishes in this neighbourhood, and will preach at our Family Service at Wickhamford Church at 11 a.m. I hope a good number of parishioners will take advantage of this unique opportunity to hear a bishop from overseas talk to us about his work. (Collections that Sunday will be for the S.P.G.)

**Acknowledgment.** We are grateful to Mrs. E. Cooke for the lovely blue damask cover for the altar which she has made and presented.

**Mothers' Union.** The branch meeting on Wednesday, 7th June at 2-30 p.m. will consist of an Any Questions session. The Vicar will be pleased to receive questions before that date. Tea will be served by Mrs. Sturt. E.G.B.

**Church Bookstall.** Wickhamford's turn to staff the Market Bookstall in Evesham will be on Saturday, June 10th. Names of any further volunteers for our team may be given to the Vicar or placed on the list in the church porch.

**Sunday School.** Under the able leadership of Pamela Sturt, Jennifer Whiting, Hazel Whiting and Irene Thomas, the children organised a little bazaar and raised £1-10-6 for Sunday School funds, with which we plan to purchase a New Testament translation and hymn books. Many thanks are due to parents who supported them, and to Mrs. G. F. Cox who made and gave the cake which was raffled and which I won! Much praise is due to the children, who made this effort entirely on their own initiative.

We have again sent a donation of £5 to the U.M.C.A., contents of our "Tembo" box. A.L.C.

### Holy Baptism

May 14th—Sara Jane Badham.

### Confirmation

April 25th—by the Bishop of Worcester: Cecil Edward Brotherton, Margaret Joan Brotherton, John Gilbert Parry, Roger William Byron, Janet Christine Sturt, Jennifer Newbury.

### Holy Matrimony

May 9th—Harvey John Dunkerley, of Wickhamford, and Thelma Grace Couch, of the Quinton, Birmingham.

### Burial. R.I.P.

May 10th—Harold Henry Southern, aged 59.

Our warmest sympathy to all the Southern family, especially to Jill and Richard, who have suffered so much bereavement in a few years. Mr. Harry Southern was wonderfully bright and patient in his long illness. May God grant him peace and reunion with his beloved wife.

**The Sick.** Your prayers are asked for Mrs. Dolphin, who is now in hospital at Cheltenham. We are glad to welcome home from hospital Mrs. B. Camden, and it is good to see Mr. W. A. Johnson back at church again.

**Women's Institute.** The May meeting was given over to Mrs. Guilding, V.C.O., for discussing and voting on resolutions to be brought forward at the Annual Meeting in London. Mrs. Daffurn, our delegate, was instructed to vote accordingly. The V.C.O. was thanked by Mrs. Litterick.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of a book token to Mrs. Hancock by Mrs. Guilding.

The competition for a salad on a plate was won by Mrs. Thomas. Mrs. Hampton was in charge of the plant stall for W.I. funds.

After refreshments, served by Mrs. Halford, Mrs. Harman and Mrs. Hampton, the choir sang songs and test pieces which they did at Worcester Festival. They were thanked by Mrs. Harman. The monthly parcel was won by Mrs. Crawford. Sick Visitor: Mrs. Williams.

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Tel. 295

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