BADSEY, ALDINGTON and WICKHAMFORD PARISH REVIEW

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CHURCH OF ST. JAMES, BADSEY.

SUNDAY SERVICES:

First Sunday ... Holy Communion 8 and 11 a.m. (said). Evensong 6-45 p.m.

Second Sunday ... Family Eucharist 10 a.m. Evensong 6-45 p.m.

Third Sunday ... Holy Communion 8 a.m. Evensong 6-45 p.m.

Fourth Sunday ... Holy Communion 8 a.m. Family Mattins 10 a.m.

Evening Eucharist 6-45 p.m.

Fifth Sunday ... Holy Communion 8 a.m. Mattins 11 a.m. Evensong 6-45 p.m.

Holy Baptism ... 3rd Sun., 3 p.m. (Parents must see the Vicar personally at least

seven days before).

Sunday School ... 10 a.m. (except 2nd and 4th Suns.). Over 7, Meeting House.

Under 7, Parish Room and Village Hall.

WEEK-DAY SERVICES. According to notice in porch.

Churchwardens ... Mr. G. H. Stewart, 36, Bretforton Road. (Badsey 219).

Mr. J. F. Ives, 45, Brewers Lane.

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

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, WICKHAMFORD.

SUNDAY SERVICES:

First Sunday and

Festivals Holy Communion 9 a.m.

Third Sunday ... Family Eucharist 11 a.m.

Every Sunday ... Evensong 5-30 p.m.

Sunday School ... 11 a.m. (except 3rd Sunday), Village Hall.

WEEK-DAY SERVICES. According to notice in porch.

Churchwardens ... Mr. E. Cooke, Robin Cottage. (Badsey 237).

Mr. J. E. Parry, Wickham House. (Badsey 244).

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

THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear People,

The sudden illness of Mr. Maurice Harvey just before the end of the school holidays was a great shock to us all, and we are relieved that he seems to be making a steady recovery, although it will be a long time before he is able to renew his work. Not only his own patience and cheerfulness, but the calm faith of Mrs. Harvey during these weeks of anxiety and strain, have been the admiration of us all.

Fortunately the school has a most conscientious staff who always work well together as a team, and a very capable and trusted deputy head in Miss Norah Smith.

I wonder if we always realise how fortunate we are in Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford, in having such an excellent primary school, and what a bulwark it is of a sound community life. There are not many of the younger people in these three villages who do not owe something to Mr. Harvey for the benefits of a sound education. I am sure that their gratitude (and their parents') will inspire them to join whole-heartedly in the prayers being offered for his complete recovery.

A beloved pastor

Canon T. Charles-Jones has been for so many years Vicar of Evesham and our Rural Dean, that it is hard to imagine Church life in the Vale of Evesham without him. He and Mrs. Charles-Jones will be greatly missed by all of us here, but it is good to know that they will not be very far away, in the City of Worcester. A farewell presentation is to be made at the meeting of the Ruridecanal Synod on 25th October.

As Rural Dean, Canon Charles-Jones has been a real friend to us in these two parishes, especially in his pastoral oversight during interregnums or illness of the incumbent. The happy fellowship of clergy and laity in this Deanery, and mutual co-operation of the diverse parishes, are in no small measure due to him. Such is his sympathetic interest in people and concern for their feelings no less than their welfare, that any idea of autocracy is foreign to his nature. His authority springs from his very humility as the servant of Christ, and that is the key to the great inspiration he is to his brother clergy, to whom he is in many respects the model of what a parish priest should be.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

PETER BRABY.

Moral Welfare Work-the People's Offering. As last year, the annual service will be held in each locality instead of in the Cathedral. Ours will be in All Saints' Church, Evesham, on Thursday, 28th October (Feast of St. Simon & St. Jude), at 7-30 p.m. At this service the parishes will present their contributions. The preacher will be the Rev. A. J. Balmforth. Do come and take part in this service, and hear about the work that is done in our name.

BADSEY & ALDINGTON NOTES Church Services

October

Trinity XVI. As for 1st Sun.

6, Wed. St. Faith, V. & M. 10-0 H.C. 10 Trinity XVII. As for 2nd Sun.

13, Wed. St. Edward, K. & Conf. 10-0 H.C.

Trinity XVIII. St. Etheldreda, Qu. & Abbess. As for 3rd Sun.

18, Mon. St. Luke, Evangelist. 6-30 H.C.

Trinity XIX. As for 4th Sun. 6-45 Sung Eucharist, Preacer: Rev. J. C. Harvey, M.A., Brit. & For. Bible Society.

27, Wed. No.H.C.

28, Thurs. SS. Simon & Jude, Apostles. 10-0 H.C. 7-30 p.m. Moral Welfare People's Offering Service, All Saints, Evesham.

31 Trinity XX. As for 5th Sun.

November

1, Mon. All Saints' Day. 6-30 & 10-0 H.C.

P.C.C. Meeting, Tues., 5th Oct. 7-15 p.m.

R.D. Synod, Mon., 25th Oct. 7-30 p.m. Evesham County Secondary School.

Harvest Supper, Wednesday, Sept. 29, Meeting House, 7-15 p.m. prompt. Tickets 2/9 each from any member of the P.C.C. Children under 14 not admitted unless with parents (or a parent).

BA - BADSEY. Where is Ba? Is there such a place? Why are there Indians in Fiji? Are any of them becoming Christians?

These are questions most of us are extremely vague about. Yet they are important to us, because we have undertaken to support the work at Ba as our special overseas project, to which we have already contributed

On Monday evening, 4th October, in the Meeting House at 7-30, we are to have a Film Show and talk by Mr. G. Evans of the U.S.P.G., who has recently been in Fiji and will be able to tell us about the work there. Refreshments will be served during the evening. It is hoped that this will be a well attended meeting of all who have the cause of Christ in the world at heart.

Mothers' Union. The programme for the month is as follows:-

Mon. Oct. 4 Committee Meeting, 2-30 p.m. Wed. Oct. 6 Corporate Communion, 10 a.m.

Tues. Oct. 12 Branch Meeting, 2-30 p.m. Tea Hostesses: - Mrs. G. H. Stewart, (Committee) and Mesdames

Clark, Cole, Evans. Speaker: Mrs. Hurley. Tues. Oct. 26 Branch Meeting, 7-30 p.m. Tea Hostesses: Mrs. C. Stewart (Committee) and Mesdames C. Davies, Dale, Dickinson.

Holy Baptism

Sept. 12 Stephen Paul Turner; David John Turner; Christopher Mark Turner; Ian Nicholas Turner. Sept. 19 Donna Cleaver.

Holy Matrimony

Sept. 4 Anthony James Hemming and Janet Helen Sandford, both of Badsey. Sept. 11 Frank Meadows and Susan Lesley Hartwell,

both of Badsey.

Burials R.I.P.

Aug. 31 Raymond Edward Crane, aged 63.

Our warmest sympathy with Raymond's mother and the other members of the family. He was a good man, quiet and unassuming, who had suffered long illness without complaint. Rest eternal grant him, Lord. Sept. 17 (cremation) Eva Kate Keen, aged 83.

Another gentle, uncomplaining soul - inconspicuous yet sweetening the world by her presence. May perpetual light shine upon her.

At the time of writing Mrs. Cissie Knight has died after 13 weeks in hospital. She was astonishingly cheerful under all setbacks.

Jottings. Mr. & Mrs. Harry Reed look forward to celebrating their Diamond Wedding on 19th October. We send our warmest good wishes and congratulations.

Mr. Bernard Major has undergone an operation in St. George's Hospital, London, and we are glad to hear that he seems to be making a good recovery. In recent weeks we have been glad to welcome home from hospital Mrs. Minnie Perkins, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. R. G. Taylor, Colin Harwood, Mr. Alan Brookes (in August after a motor accident). Harry Wheatley was rather ill in August, but seems now to have quite recovered. It is a joy to see Mrs. March back in her usual place in church. Miss Lowle is better after an attack of cistitis in August. It is good that Mr. Dick Caswell is less lame now after breaking several toes in an accident at the forge. There is no need to exhort him to mind his step! Some of us are adept at dropping bricks, but for a real clanger, drop a plough.

Servers for October. 3rd, 8-0 P. Moran; 11-0 D. Crane; 6-45 S. Gresty. 10th, 10-0 C. Harwood (Server), C. Tucker (Crucifer); 6-45 C. Hartwell. 17th, 8-0 S. Gresty; 6-45 D. Partridge.24th, 8-0 D. Partridge;; 10-0 C. Hartwell; 6-45 D. Barrand (Server), D. Crane (Crucifer). 31st, 8-0 M. Betteridge; 11-0 C. Tucker; 6-45 A. Silvester. War Memorial Flowers. Oct. 3rd, Mrs. Dungworth; 10th, Mrs. P. Sparrow; 17th, Mrs. Bonehill; 24th, Mrs. K. Cleaver; 31st, Mrs. A. Syril.

Communicants. Week beginning Aug. 22nd, 47; 29th, 41; Sept. 5th, 41; 12th, 35.

Birthday Half-crown. Jonathan Braby.

Church Membership Scheme. Total received up to end August: £595-17-4. Total promised for year: £1,013.

An incorrect figure was given in last month's magazine for the amount received for the half year.

Christian Aid for Chile. Special collection, Aug 29. Badsey & Wickhamford, £8.

WICKHAMFORD NOTES

Church Services

- Trinity XVI. HARVEST FESTIVAL. See below. 10 & 17 Trinity XVII & XVIII. As for 2nd & 3rd
- Suns. Trinity XIX. As for 4th Sun. Preacher at Evensong Rev. J. C. Harvey, M.A., Brit. & For. Bible Society. 28, Thurs. SS. Simon & Jude, Apostles. Moral Welfare

People's Service, All Saints, Evesham (See below).

31 Trinity XX. As for 5th Sun.

November

1 All Saints' Day. 7-30 a.m. H.C.

HARVEST FESTIVAL, Oct. 3

Your offerings of fruit, flowers, vegetables, eggs and other produce will be very welcome, and should be brought to the church early on Saturday, 2nd Oct., or on Friday evening. The children's offerings may be brought to their own service on Sunday afternoon. The services on Oct. 3 will be as follows:—

9-0 a.m. Holy Communion (with hymns).

3-0 p.m. Children's Service. 5-30 p.m. Evensong.

The preacher at Evensong will be the Right Rev. D. H. Crick, D.D. Dr. Crick was Bishop of Chester from 1939 to 1955, after being Suffragan Bishop of Stafford. He is now Hon. Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Gloucester.

R.D. Synod. Mon., 25th Oct., Evesham County Secondary School, 7-30 p.m.

Churchwomen's Guild. For some time it has been clear that we need in Wickhamford an organisation in which churchwomen, married and single, can meet for fellowship, education and recreation, as well as at Sunday services. A meeting to discuss formation of such a guild has been arranged for Wednesday evening, 20th October, in the Memorial Hall, at 7-30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Mrs. L. M. Charles-Edwards, wife of our Bishop.

Mothers' Union. The branch meeting will be on Wed., 6th Oct. at 2-45 p.m. (Tea Hostess: Mrs. Figgitt).

It has been decided that the branch will meet every 1st Wednesday afternoon, and join with the Church-women's Guild on every 3rd Wednesday evening (see notice above). Ĕ.Ġ.B.

Moral Welfare. As in former years, a house-to-house collection will shortly be held in the village for this really vital Christian activity, which the Church performs through its trained workers. The proceeds will be presented at the People's Offering service in All Saints' Church, Evesham, on Thursday, 28th October, at 7-30 p.m., which everyone is invited to attend.

Holy Baptism

. 5 Maxine Elizabeth Ford; Nicholas Taylor; Caroline Ann Mitchell. Sept. Sept. 14 Edith Florence Halford, aged 79.

Our sincere condolences with the family. Mrs. Halford had struggled bravely and cheerfully against increasing ill-health in the last year or two.

Jottings. Congratulations to Geoffrey Parry on his marriage to Valerie Pole at Broadway on Sept. 4th, and best wishes to them both.

We are so glad that Jimmy Smith has started at Exhall Grange School, near Coventry, which from all accounts is a fabulous place. We wish him every happiness there.

Mrs. Franklin has been having treatment at Droitwich, and we pray that she will return with considerably improved health.

August Bank Holiday Saturday - 1965

The morning of Saturday, 28th August, looked as though an unsettled day was in store and being a Bank Holiday week-end this was not unusual.

In the vicinity of Field Farm, Wickhamford, on the Evesham-Broadway road, various roadside notices had appeared in the two or three days preceding, stating that a Fête was to be held on this particular day in aid of our Church, and early in the morning a lot of activity was to be seen - centred around a large marquee on a field just off the main road. The various stallholders were busily engaged in arranging their stalls and sideshows in readiness for the opening. It appeared that the high wind was playing havoc when the various helpers were endeavouring to cover their stalls with gaily coloured cloths, etc., but eventually all were well anchored down, and at about 2 p.m. the music from the loudspeakers by the marquee drifted toward the main road and the first of the visitors began to arrive. It should be mentioned here that two visitors arrived at Field Farm well in advance of the official openingactually they were two weeks in advance, but that is another story!

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At 2-30 p.m. from a trailer drawn up in front of the marquee, the Vicar introduced Mr. D. G. S. Russell, who, after a short speech, opened the Fête. Mr. Russell was presented with a small gift by Mr. Randall's youngest daughter on behalf of the Fête Committee and P.C.C.

After the opening the stalls began to quickly sell out of their various wares, and the pony rides and bowling did a brisk trade—to say nothing of the teas in the marquee, which seemed to be what was required, for the weather was not quite right for the sale of ice cream which did not go too well.

Just after 3 p.m. the Baby Show got under way, but this was rather disappointing as, perhaps owing to the weather, only six babies were entered. However, they were well and truly judged by Nurse James of Broadway, to whom our thanks are due.

Soon after the Baby Show the Children's Fancy Dress parade took place, and the children are to be congratulated on the very good turnout. This competition was very ably judged by Mrs. Astley, assisted by Mrs. Dunsby from Childswickham, and the Committee would also like to thank these two ladies for sparing their time to come and help us.

It was getting near to Tug-of-War time now and at 430 p.m. the Youth Club and the Sandys Arms teams took up their positions to battle for the prize kindly given by a member of the Youth Club team - (although not a youth himself!). After the best of three pulls the Youth Club were declared the winners and were to be seen shortly afterwards sharing the prize!

During all these activities, away from the crowds, a Clay Pigeon shoot was taking place which proved very successful and the Committee would like to thank those who so ably organised this.

Many of the ladies present took advantage of the services of the Fortune Teller, and at 6-30 p.m. there were still two or three waiting! Our thanks to Mrs. Bell for giving her services so willingly.

As a result of everybody's efforts we were able to hand over the sum of £128-16-9d. to the Church Fabric Fund. Our expenses were pretty high, but this was to be expected on this, our first effort. A full balance sheet has been submitted to the P.C.C. but here are the receipts from various stalls:—

Bowling for the Pig, £14-10-0; Produce Stall, £12-11-0; Bottle Stall, £22-6-6; White Elephant Stall £3-3-6; Teas in Marquee £15-12-10; Grand Draw, £24-8-3; Cake Stall, £8-12-0; Gift Stall, £12-13-7; Bath & Toilet Stall, £10; Tombola, £11; Entrance Fees, £12-13-0.

After all the stalls had been cleared away and visitors and helpers had departed from the scene, a dance took place for members of the Youth Club and their friends in a barn at Field Farm, which, from reports received, was enjoyed by all the young members present.

Finally, the Fête Committee would like to express their thanks to all those that gave gifts, produce, prizes etc., to say nothing of their personal time, and helped to make the Fête the success it was.

C.G.W.B.

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Why not consult the Local Secretary? Mrs. H. Jennings, "Auburn Villa" Willersey Road, Badsey.

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Notice to Members: __Monthly Lodges Second Wednesday in month, "Auburn Villa" 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.