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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 10-15 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. Evening Eucharist 6-45 p.m.
Fifth Sunday	...	...	Holy Communion 8 a.m. Family Service 10-15 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. Over 7, Meeting House. Under 7, Parish Room and Village Hall.

WEEK-DAY SERVICES. According to notice in porch.

Churchwardens	...	...	Mr. J. F. Ives, 45, Brewers Lane. Mrs. N. Clark, Pennyfields, Aldington.
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.

LETTER FROM DEACONESS

19th August.

My dear People,

The tragic killing of the three London policemen has greatly shocked our nation. Generosity, righteous indignation, sympathy, a call for the restoration of the death penalty for murder, bewilderment that such a thing could happen in England - these are some of the responses and reactions. I believe that underlying them all is a very deep concern. The British people like law and order and every civilized society expects to live in peace and safety.

Crime and violence appear to be on the increase, but why? This question is often asked. Why is it that in affluent societies the acts of crime increase? Surely the reverse should happen? History, however, shows that when there has been material wealth there has usually been corruption as well.

Why is it that these two go hand and hand? Is it perhaps because material comforts tend to give us a false sense of security, of self-reliance, an indifference to all that is outside our own little world and a dulling of our awareness of our need of God? It is sad that it takes something tragic to shake us alive and awake to our duties and responsibilities towards each other. Our police forces are doing all they can to fight crime but they need the support of every citizen. We are equally responsible for the law and order of our country.

Our greatest contribution may be made by thinking out clearly our own priorities. What we think and believe influences the way we act, and the actions of every individual influence the whole community for good or bad. We have the ball firmly in our court. What we do here in our villages has a wider and far reaching effect.

What we adults do has a great influence on the younger generation and we all have a tremendous responsibility. Our young people and children need to see ordered and disciplined lives around them. They may think that most adults are 'square' and have uneventful and uninteresting lives but they do appreciate an environment that is dependable and rock like in nature. It is in the home that order and discipline are learned, so to are our duties and responsibilities to each other. A home is a very precious thing but no home can be isolated, we all have neighbours and a Christian must have a loving concern for all those around. One of the dangers of affluence is that we become inward looking and so loose that the sense of belonging to a community. We are all one people, we cannot contract out of society and so what we believe and do as individuals is of tremendous importance.

I would like to end this letter by thanking you for your many kind messages to my Mother and I. They have been a source of great help and comfort to us both.

Your sincere friend,

CAROLINE P. WRIGHT, Dss.

BADSEY AND ALDINGTON NOTES

Church Services

Sept.

- 4 **Trinity XIII.** 8-0 H.C. (but not at 11-0) 10-30 M. (said), E. 6-45.
7, **Wed.** 10-0 H.C.

- 11 **Trinity XIV.** As usual for 2nd Sun.
14, **Wed.** Holy Cross Day. 10-0 H.C.
18 **Trinity XV.** As usual for 3rd Sun.
21, **Wed.** **St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist.** Ember Day. 10-0 H.C.
25 **Trinity XVI.** As usual for 4th Sun.
28, **Wed.** No H.C.
29, **Thurs.** **St. Michael & All Angels.** 10-0 H.C.

The Mission. Now is the time to write to friends in other parishes asking them to pray for our Mission. Ask them for a picture of their church or parish magazine cover, so that we can have a display board of the churches praying for us.

A LETTER FROM THE MISSIONER

St. George's Vicarage,

Redditch.

Dear People of Badsey and Aldington,

I have been asked to write a short message to you in your Parish Magazine inviting you to take full part in the October Mission. I feel very honoured that I have been asked to come to you as Priest Missioner, but there are one or two things I would like to make quite clear.

1. I do not claim to be an expert.
2. I am not coming to tell your Vicar how to do his job! He knows that already.
3. I can do nothing of value unless you give me your time and support.

Before I arrive, unpaid volunteers will be visiting the parish. These people love Our Lord and want you to share their joy. Do give them a kind welcome to your homes.

The week of the Mission can be of great spiritual and social advantage to all of us, and the one enemy is indifference.

I ask each one of you to pray hard for the Missioners and for the Parish, that God's will may be done and his love spread abroad in our hearts.

God bless you all.

RAYMOND F. WALTERS.

Sunday School. Not on Sept 4. Children meet at Sun. Sch. at 10 a.m. on Sept. 11 for the Family Eucharist at church (unless going with their parents). Sunday School classes begin at 10-0 on Sept 18.

P.C.C. Meeting, Tues., Sept. 6, at 7-30 p.m.

Mother's Union. The programme for the month is as follows:—

Wed. 7th Sept. Corporate Communion 10 a.m.
Tues., 27th Sept. Branch Meeting 7-30 p.m. Subject: "Cosmetics and their uses". Speaker: Mrs. Vaughton. Tea hostesses: Mrs. Perkins (committee) and Mesdames E. Smith, Sparrow, C. Stewart, Sladden. E.G.B.

Youth Fellowship. Our winter programme starts on Friday, 2nd Sept. at 7-30 p.m. Membership is open to all young people between the ages of 14 and 19. Members are expected to support all the clubs activities which includes worshipping together at church. We are unable to exceed a membership of 40 as we have not the facilities to cater for more. Further details from Deaconess.

Over Sixty Club. After some discussion, members decided to meet on the first, third and fifth Tuesdays of the month at 2-30 p.m. We very much hope that new members will join us when we open our new season on Tues., Sept. 20th.

Holy Baptism

Aug. 14 Nicholas Anthony Dore, Nicola Clare Porter-gill, Phillip William Taylor.

Holy Matrimony

Aug. 20 John Francis Beasley of Mickleton and Wendy Jean Marlene Tomkins of Badsey.

Burials, R.I.P.

(Interment of ashes)

Aug. 2 Arthur Francis Savory Sladden, aged 82.

Our sincere sympathy with Mrs. Sladden and all members of the family. Dr. Arthur Sladden was a welcome figure in the village on his occasional visits, always taking a great interest in the church and home of his boyhood.

Acknowledgement. Miss Katherine Sladden is generously presenting to the church, with the glad approval of the P.C.C., a set of green vestments for use on ferial Sundays, in memory of her parents, Mr. Jack and Winifred Sladden. The vestments have been made by sisters of the Convent of the Holy Name, Malvern, and it is hoped that they will be dedicated at Evensong on Sunday, 11th September.

The Sick. Your prayers are asked for Mr. John Austin, seriously ill in Ronkswood, Mr. Frank Reeves, now in the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, Mrs. J. Davies and Mrs. M. Brotherton who are still in Eve-sham Hospital. Mrs. Turrill is very poorly now. Mrs. Cassidy from Blackminster is in Avonside after having a stroke. We welcome home Mrs. W. Bird who has patiently and cheerfully endured many months in hospital; Mrs. J. Hay after an operation on her wrist; Mrs. Lottie Haines who has greatly improved and Mrs. E. Clarke. Laid up at home are Mr. Ron Jones, Mrs. E. Ford after a very nasty fall and Mr. Hay who has an injured eye. We are very pleased to have Sister Davies recovered and back on duty amongst us.

From Sister Davies. I would very much like to thank all my friends and patients who have shown such kindness to Mother and I during our recent illness; for your letters, cards, gifts and work done for us and for your prayers. I sincerely thank you all.

Servers for September. 4th, 8-0 P. Moran; 6-45 D. Barrand. 11th, 10-15 S. Greysty (Server), C. Hartwell (Crucifer); 6-45 C. Tucker. 18th, 8-0 M. Betteridge; 6-45 D. Crane. 25th, 8-0 D. Partridge; 6-45 C. Tucker (Server), D. Barrand (Crucifer).

War Memorial Flowers. Sept. 4th, Mrs. C. Stewart, 11th, Mrs. Ballard, 18th, Mrs. Braby, 25th, Mrs. A. Syril.

Birthday Contribution. Mrs. B. Jones 5/-.

Communicants. Week beginning July 24th, 67; 31st, 33; Aug. 7th, 32; Aug. 14th, 36.

Harvest Festival will be on Sun. Oct. 9th.

Anglican Youth Project. Our Youth Fellowship is one of the many clubs raising money for work in Tanzania. The theological students this project helps to support are also trained in agriculture. Each student has a shamba (field) on which he grows his family's basic food for a year. The students when trained will go into parishes which are at least fifty miles across. They will travel on foot or cycle. They are usually welcomed by all the communities and christians eagerly look forward to their bi-monthly service which is all that time and distance allow. Evangelism is a major concern and one of the major problems to be overcome is the deeply rooted cult of witch craft. During the winter we hope to have an open meeting to show film slides of this work, and we hope that many of you will come along.

M.U. OUTING - by a member

I wonder, would you like to know
About the outing with our M.U.
We picked up at the Wheatsheaf and the Oak
In a Harrison's bus that had been bespoke,
One more got on at Avonside,
Then we were off on a lovely ride,
Over the hills and far away,
And we were blessed with a lovely day.
The Vicar came and Mrs. B.,
They were sitting quite near me.
At the top of the hill we joined the queue
Who had stopped up there to admire the view.
Then on we went up hills and lanes
To a house where once had lived the Danes.
We went round the garden and the house as well
Really it was most UNUSUAL.
In the room where every one took a bath
The wall was made of window glass
We thought that it was strange to see
Barrels of wine in the buttery
We had tea there and cakes all hot,
But the tea leaves were left out of the pot.
We laughed a lot at being packed so tight,
But the scones were new and the cake was light.
Back to the bus and off with a lurch
Down the village to see the church,
We all knelt down and said a prayer
For the people and all who worshipped there.
Then off on the bus again, through fields
Of barley and other grain,
Into North Cerney then we came
The bus was backed up a narrow lane.
Another church we went to see
Shining with polish and clean as could be
The churchyard was tidy and neat as could be
Lovingly cared for was easy to see.

Back to the bus and all aboard
Now we are off to Andoversford
A meal was booked, "There's a while to wait
And while we did, our thirst we slaked.
The Vicar said grace and remembered to say
He was sorry some couldn't be here today.
The food was good and so was the wine
It was a lovely place to dine
Waitresses trotting to and fro
Till finally it was time to go.
Back on the bus we all agreed
A lovely outing it had been
Last of all we'd like to say
Our thanks to the Vicar and Mrs. Braby.

WICKHAMFORD NOTES

Church Services

Suns., Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25, (Trin. XIII, XIV, XV, XVI).
As for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Suns.

Sunday School re-starts on Sept. 4th.

Harvest Festival on Sunday, 2nd October.

P.C.C. Meeting, Wed., Sept. 28, 7-30 p.m.

Mothers' Union. The branch meeting will be on Wed. 21st Sept. at 2-30 p.m. Tea hostess, Mrs. Sturt.

The time allotted to our branch for the Wave of Prayer for Overseas Work is Thursday, 8th Sept. 9-25 p.m. - 9-50 p.m. Prayer Leaflets are available from me. E.G.B.

The Sick. Your prayers are asked for Mr. Harry Walters who after a few days at home returned to hospital and for Mr. Haines who is recovering from an operation.

Women's Institute. Sept. 8th. Subject: Planting and Caring for Bulbs. Speaker: Mr. B. Waite.

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