

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). People's Service 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. Mattins and Holy Baptism 11 a.m.
Sung 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 See 4th Sunday. (Parents must see the Vicar personally at least
seven days before).
Sunday School 10 a.m. Over 8, in Church. Under 8, Meeting House.

WEEK-DAY SERVICES. According to notice in porch.

- Churchwardens Mrs. N. Clark, Pennyfields, Aldington.
Mr. D. W. Hartwell, 35, Willersey Road.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, WICKHAMFORD.

SUNDAY SERVICES:

- First Sunday and
Festivals Holy Communion 9 a.m. Evensong 5-30. (3-0 Nov. to Feb.)
Second Sunday Family Service and Holy Baptism 3 p.m. (all the year).
Third Sunday Family Eucharist 11 a.m.
Fourth & Fifth Sundays Evensong 5-30 (3-0 Nov. to Feb.).
Holy Baptism See 2nd Sunday. (Parents must see the Vicar at least seven days
before).
Sunday School 11 a.m. (except 3rd Sunday), Village Hall.

WEEK-DAY SERVICES. According to notice in porch.

- Churchwardens Mr. J. E. Parry, Wickham House. (Evesham 830244).
Mr. H. J. Dunkerley, C.B.E., M.A., Gallipot Farm, Broadway.
Tel. Evesham 830395.
Clerk Mr. C. H. Willis, 35, Pitchers Hill.

THE VICAR'S LETTER

20th January, 1972

My dear People,

It was a great joy to be able to send £100 to Help the Aged, as a result of my Christmas Appeal. This sum was made up of many amounts, large and small, given to me anonymously in the special envelopes by people in Badsey and Wickhamford, in the weeks before Christmas. The only names I wish to mention are a group of children who handed in some money collected in carol singing: Carolyn and Martin Addis, Diane Burford, Veronica Dore, Angela Hughes, Debbie Latham.

The collections at Christmas services for the Church of England Children's Society were exceptionally good this year: £46.50 from both churches. The amount collected in the Children's Society boxes in Badsey in 1971 was £33.91, as against £27.69 the previous year.

Can it be that we have all become much more aware of the implications of Christian Stewardship? Thanks be to God.

Worcester Cathedral Appeal

In the next few months we shall be looking for ways of responding to the Appeal for our own Cathedral. The Appeal was launched in January 1971, and we have not so far made any special parochial effort towards it in Badsey and Wickhamford. On Wednesday, 7th June, this year, the Dedication Festival of the Cathedral, the Bishop of Worcester will receive gifts for the Appeal Fund from the parishes at a Sung Eucharist at 7 p.m. in the Cathedral.

You will see from the Wickhamford Notes that a Coffee Morning is to be held at Wickhamford Manor in aid of the Cathedral Appeal on Sat., 4th March. There will also be a Coffee Evening at the Vicarage on 16th May. At Sunday services in Badsey Church there will always be a bowl near the door for contributions towards the Appeal. Any other suggestions, or offers of special efforts in aid of the Appeal, will be welcome.

The Cathedral, our Mother Church of the Diocese, needs £275,000. About half of this sum is for repairs and renovations, including re-wiring, and for a new heating system. As a result of money raised during the first few months of the Appeal, the new oil-fired heating system was installed as a priority. All who have been to the Cathedral for Diocesan services in winter will know how greatly this was needed, and what an improvement the new system is.

A great musical tradition

Quite a large sum is needed for the complete renewal of the organ, and for the provision of a small mobile organ for nave services. Most cathedrals are having serious financial difficulties in maintaining their choir schools. The Dean writes, "to assure those of our friends who are apprehensive about the future of church music that we have every intention of maintaining our choral tradition at its present very high level. It is, however, becoming increasingly expensive to do so . . . It has been one of the few disappointments in connection with the Appeal that the Choral Scholarships have so far attracted so little support. Gloucester Cathedral, which issued an appeal in this field shortly before ours, have now received eighteen choral scholarships." The appeal at Worcester is for ten choral scholarships at £3,000 each.

Centre for the Arts

Other needs are connected with the aim of making our Cathedral a great centre for the arts and for conferences, using the undercroft of College Hall. In recent months there have already been some very successful dramatic productions as well as concerts and recitals, and others have been arranged for the near future.

Finally, a good sum is needed for capital endowment for running expenses.

More than £210,000 has already been raised, but, as the Dean says: "It is reasonable to expect that the last stage will be the most difficult, but equally it is essential that we should complete it, as only so can we hope to guarantee ourselves against having to issue another Appeal within a few years' time."

Compared with the appeals that have been put out by some cathedrals in recent times, our own cathedral target of £275,000 seems a very modest one. For our part, I am sure we shall try to do what we can to be able to take up a good contribution on 7th June.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

PETER BRABY.

'WHO CARES?'

The Evesham Council of Churches is sponsoring a series of eight Evening Seminars to be held at **Long Lartin Prison**, by kind invitation of the Governor, and organised by the Chaplain, the Rev. M. S. Riddell. They will be held on **Thursday evenings at 7 p.m.**, the dates being March 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, April 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th.

The object of the seminars is to help a large number of men and women to understand the Christian obligation of the pastoral care of the offender. Each of the eight seminars will consist of a session with a panel of specialists followed by discussion in small groups and concluding with an act of worship in the chapel.

It will be necessary to cover some of the administrative costs of the series, and a fee of 75p. will be charged for this purpose. Inclusive in this charge is the cost of a book 'People in Prison' which will be given to everyone taking part.

Applicants for the course must be 18 years or over. **Applications must be made by 14th February**, but it may be necessary to limit numbers, so it is advisable to send in one's application as soon as possible. **Application forms and a leaflet with details of the course may be obtained from the Vicar.**

Bible Society Film. The Evesham Auxiliary of the British & Foreign Bible Society will be holding its Annual Meeting on Wed., Feb. 9th in the Methodist Church Hall, at 7-30 p.m. with Bishop C. A. Martin in the Chair. A Film will be shown entitled "Question Marks". Bring & Buy Stalls, Refreshments.

BADSEY AND ALDINGTON NOTES Church Services

Feb.

- 2 Wed. Presentation of Christ in the Temple. 10-0 H.C.
- 6 Sexagesima. Queen's Accession. As for 1st Sun. 6-45 People's Service. U.S.P.G. Film. See below (Special Services).
- 9 Wed. 10-0 H.C.
- 13 Quinquagesima. As for 2nd Sun.
- 16 **ASH WEDNESDAY.** 6-45 & 10 a.m. H.C. 4-0 Children's Service. 7-30 Evensong "Christian Prayer", 1.
- 20 Lent 1. As for 3rd Sun.
- 23 Wed. Ember Day. 10-0 H.C. 2-45 Pram Service. 4-0 Children's Service. 7-30 "Christian Prayer", 2.
- 24 Thurs. St. Matthias, Apostle. H.C. Fri.
- 25 Fri. Ember Day. 7 a.m. H.C.
- 27 Lent 2. As for 4th Sun.

March

- 1 Wed. St. David, Bp. 10-0 H.C. 4-0 Children's Service. 7-30 "Christian Prayer" 3.

SPECIAL SERVICES

On **Sunday, 6th Feb.**, at 6-45, the People's Service will be arranged and conducted by members of the Overseas Committee. The Rev. Richard H. Smith, Area Secretary of the U.S.P.G., will show a film of Zululand entitled "To Share the Same Cup".

On **Friday mornings in Lent**, except the 1st week, there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 7 a.m. in addition to the Wednesday celebration at 10-0.

On **Ash Wednesday** there will be Holy Communion at 6-45 a.m. and 10 a.m. and Evensong at 7-30 p.m.

On **Wednesday afternoons in Lent**, after school there will be a children's service in church, beginning on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 16.

On **Wednesday evenings in Lent** there will be a short devotional service at 7-30 p.m. with study and discussion of Christian Prayer. It would be helpful if people would send in any particular problems they have in prayer.

On **Sundays at Evensong**, the Vicar is preaching a course of sermons on the life of Our Lord as told in the Good News according to St. Mark.

P.C.C. Meeting, Tues., Feb. 29th, 7-15 p.m. the Vicarage.

ELECTORAL ROLL

In 1972 a completely new Electoral Roll has to be prepared for every parish in the country. No names from the old Roll will be automatically retained. All who wish to be on the Church Electoral Roll must apply. **The date for Badsey and Aldington before which application must be made is Feb. 22nd.**

The application forms may be obtained at the church, or from the Vicar, or from the Electoral Roll Officer, Miss L. D. Core, 7, Old Post Office Lane, Badsey. When completed, they should be returned to her, or placed in the box in the church labelled "Completed Electoral Roll Forms."

It is greatly to be hoped that all regular communicants and church members over the age of 17 will apply to be enrolled.

The Annual Church Meeting this year will be on Tuesday, 14th March. Keep the date free now.

SHROVE TUESDAY PARISH PARTY

15th FEBRUARY, 7-30 to 10-30 p.m.

IN THE MEETING HOUSE

Tickets: Adults 20p. Children 15p.
from any member of the P.C.C. or from Mrs. D. Bell,
or the Vicarage.

All are Welcome.

Mothers' Union. Feb. 2nd, Wed. 10-0 Corporate Communion.

8th Tues. Coffee Evening. See separate notice below.

22nd, Tues. 3-0 Branch Meeting. Speaker: Mrs. Rolt, Diocesan President. Tea Hostesses: Mesdames Richards, Braby, Davies and Evans. J.B.

Young Wives' Group. Feb. 7th Mr. Martin Byrd talking about Holidays, and showing a film. Tea Hostesses: Mrs. M. Close, Mrs. P. Robbins, Mrs. J. Ives, Mrs. J. Lashford.

21st Mrs. P. Churchill showing slides of the Passion Play at Oberammergau. Tea Hostesses: Mrs. D. Cleaver, Mrs. M. Knight, Mrs. S. Bindoff, Mrs. M. Trotman. D.M.B.

At the A.G.M. on 17th Jan., the Vicar announced with regret that Mr. & Mrs. Berwick might shortly be leaving the district, as Mr. Berwick's work might take them elsewhere. He expressed appreciation of all that Mrs. Doreen Berwick had done, in her successful leadership of the Young Wives' Group in the inaugural year. Through her enthusiasm, energy and hard work, the Group had become a flourishing organisation of real value to the community. Mrs. Brenda Hall made to Mrs. Berwick a small presentation on behalf of the Committee.

In Mrs. Berwick's place, Mrs. Joyce Watkin was elected Leader. Mrs. B. Hall was re-elected hon. secretary, Mrs. Shirley Goodwin hon. treasurer. Mrs. Maureen Davies was elected assistant secretary, and Mrs. Mary Knight and Mrs. Sue Willett to the Committee. P.B.

MOTHERS' UNION & YOUNG WIVES

COFFEE EVENING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8th, 7-15 to 9 p.m.

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BURIALS, R.I.P.

Dec. 23 Harry Floyd, aged 67.

„ 29 Elsie May Merriman, aged 63.

It is particularly sad when deaths occur at Christmas time.

Harry Floyd, a regular communicant, was a man much beloved, who in his quiet way had many friends in both Badsey and Bengeworth. Since retirement from his business in town through uncertain health, he had been of great service to many men in Badsey in doing private hairdressing. His visits were enjoyed, not only for his skill, but for the man himself. His death came as a great shock, and has caused much sorrow. Our profound and prayerful sympathy with Mrs. Floyd and her family.

Mrs. Elsie Merriman, with her husband, had not long left Bowers Hill to live in Manor Close. For years she had been in poor health, and for the last few months had been in and out of hospital several times. We offer our sincere condolences to Mr. A. G. Merriman.

Jottings. A mild mid-winter brings much illness. At the time of writing Mr. Harry Marshall and Mr. David Latham are in Ronkswood Hospital, Mr. Cecil Jeffries and Mr. Francis Collett in Evesham Hospital. Mr. Harry Stewart, Mrs. Littlewood, Mr. Fred Barnard, Mrs. P. Baker and Mrs. Bartlett, who were in hospital before or around Christmas time, are back home and convalescent. Mr. Jim Harwood has been in hospital after a stroke, mercifully slighter than was first thought. Mrs. Ingles of Bowers Hill has had bronchial pneumonia. Mrs. Ethel Hall, Mr. Tom Wilson, Mr. Gordon King, Mr. Frank Reeves, and Mr. Victor Wasley, have all been poorly. Mrs. Ida Jones has been laid up with a bad back.

Servers for February. 6th, 8-0 P. Gresty; 11-0 G. Toney; 6-45 T. Bell. 13th, 10-15 D. Barrand (Server), P. Gresty (Crucifer); 6-45 M. Exon. 20th, A. Owen; 6-45 D. Barrand. 27th, 8-0 D. Norden; 11-0 T. Bell; 6-45 M. Clements (Server), A. Owen (Crucifer).

War Memorial Flowers. Feb. 6, Mrs. R. Harker; 13th, Mrs. A. C. Sears.

WICKHAMFORD NOTES

Church Services

During Lent there will be a celebration of Holy Communion every Sunday.

Feb.

- 6 Sexagesima. 9-0 H.C. 3-0 E.
- 13 Quinquagesima. 3-0 Family Service (and Holy Baptism).
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The application forms may be obtained at the church, or from the Vicar, or from the Electoral Roll Officer, Mr. J. Sharp, 10, Manor Road, Wickhamford. When completed, they should be returned to him, or placed in the box which will be in the church on Sundays for that purpose.

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TELEFLOWER SERVICE

PLANTS WREATHS BOUQUETS

It is sincerely to be hoped that all regular communicants and church members over the age of 17 will apply to be enrolled. People whose names were on the old Roll will be getting a special notice and a reminder. To those whose active participation in the life and worship of the Church has fallen off lately, the invitation to enrol again will come, we hope, as a challenge and opportunity for renewal of Christian commitment.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting is to be on Wednesday, 26th April.

Jottings. Our prayerful condolences with the family of Mr. James William Pitman, who died suddenly on Jan. 3rd, aged only 55. The funeral was at Cheltenham Crematorium.

Mrs. G. Harrison is now home, having been in hospital longer than was expected. Mrs. Iris Sturt had to go into hospital for an emergency operation, but is now at home convalescent. Mrs. A. M. Harrison, of Washington Road, is in Evesham Hospital after an operation. Mrs. Folkes is waiting to go into Worcester Royal Infirmary.

Congratulations and thanks to all concerned for the beneficial amenity of the car park behind the Memorial Hall. The land has been generously given by Mr. Derrick Daffurn.

Coffee Morning in aid of Worcester Cathedral Appeal Fund, to be held at Wickhamford Manor by kind invitation of Mrs. Terry, on Saturday, 4th March, from 10-30 to 12-0. Details next month.

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