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FOR THE TWENTIETH TIME . . .

Christian Aid Week this year is from 17th to 22nd May. It will be the 20th successive campaign since 1956 when the churches made their first united appeal to the general public on behalf of the world's neediest people.

For the first few years the campaign concentrated on the rehabilitation of refugees in Europe, the Middle East, Hong Kong and Korea. This period culminated in World Refugee Year when Christian Aid raised more money for refugee programmes than any other organisation in the world.

Then came the Freedom from Hunger Campaign and a broadening of Christian Aid's focus and function - today embracing the victims of endemic poverty as well as of war, persecution and natural disasters.

Since its institution in 1956 Christian Aid Week:—

- * has brought the churches together for joint action in over 2,000 areas of England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland, leaving a legacy not only of Christian Aid committees but in many areas local councils of churches where none existed before;
- * has raised a total of nearly £20 million for development and rehabilitation programmes the majority of them administered overseas by churches and missions;
- * has given its name to what is now a major development agency - which in 1964 changed its name from Inter-Church Aid and Refugee Service to Christian Aid;
- * is the source of half Christian Aid's yearly income, which last year was £4,206,935 (£2,474,837 from Christian Aid Week).

Once again this year the campaign posters, literature, fundraising and display materials, reflect Christian Aid's development policy of working in partnership with the poor themselves. And once again Christian Aid asks local church people to offer themselves as campaign helpers in that same spirit of partnership.

The money raised will be spent on projects of self-support for the individual through agriculture, trade and small industries, and development of local communities through health, welfare and education programmes.

BADSEY, ALDINGTON, BLACKMINSTER AND

BOWERS HILL NOTES

Church Services in May

- 2 Easter 2. 8-0 H.C.; 10-45 Family Eucharist; 6-30 Evensong.
- 5 Wed. 10-0 H.C.
- 9 Easter 3. 8-0 H.C.; 10-45 H.C. (said); 6-30 Evensong (Preacher: the Revd. J. Crowe).
- 12 Wed. 10-0 H.C.
- 16 Easter 4. 8-0 H.C.; 10-45 Family Eucharist; 4-0 Evensong and Baptism.
- 19 Wed. 10-0 H.C.
- 23 Rogation Sunday. 8-0 H.C.; 10-15 Mattins (said); 6-30 Sung Eucharist.
- 26 Wed. No Service.
- 27 Ascension Day. 7-30 p.m. H.C.
- 30 Sunday after Ascension Day. 8-0 H.C.; 10-45 Family Service; 6-30 Evensong at Cleeve Prior.

June

- 2 Wed. 10-0 H.C.
- 6 WHITSUN (or Pentecost). 8-0 H.C.; 10-45 Family Eucharist; 6-30 Evensong.

Please Note that we shall be holding the second of our quarterly Area Services on the fifth Sunday in May

(30th) at 6-30 p.m. in Cleeve Prior Parish Church. Please will you ask the Vicar or one of the Churchwardens if you would like a lift; if you can offer a place in your car please will you make this known?

The Spring Bank Holiday this year does not fall on Whit Monday, though it is incorrectly termed the Whit Holiday. The Vicar would like to warn parishioners not to be misled by this confusion in terminology, and to remind them that Whitsun, which with Easter and Christmas is one of the great Christian festivals, is on June 6th.

Servers

May

- 2 8-0 P. Gresty; 10-45 S. Dore (S), A. Watkin (C); 6-30 T. Knight.
- 9 8-0 A. Betteridge; 10-45 A. Owen; 6-30 M. Clements.
- 16 8-0 G. Toney; 10-45 A. Watkin (S), T. Knight (C).
- 23 8-0 N. Bell; 6-30 Paul Brazier (S), D. Barrand (C).
- 30 8-0 A. Watkin.

June

- 6 8-0 S. Gresty; 10-45 T. Knight (S), S. Dore (C); 6-30 A. Betteridge.

Donations

£5 in grateful memory of the late Vicar, the Revd. Wilfred Chapman, from Mrs. Chapman on the occasion of their Wedding Anniversary.

£1 in memory of Dorothy Stella Anderson, A. Leslie Byrd, and Mr. & Mrs. A. T. Hart, from Mrs. Byrd.

Funerals

- March 23rd Samuel John Collett (aged 80 years).
- April 7th Philip Henry Sparrow (aged 65 years).
- April 7th Lilian Mary Hatcher (aged 77 years).
- April 22nd Gordon James Taylor (aged 55 years).

We regret to announce also the recent deaths of the following: Thomas Osborne, Clifford Hall, William and Ada Wright (of Blackminster).

Jack Collett

He was born in Badsey and spent his childhood and youth in the parish. After passing some years in Wales, he returned to his native village, where he worked as a Market Gardener. He and his wife brought up a large family in their home in Belmont Terrace, and it was there that he lived until the end of his days. We send our condolences to his family.

Phil Sparrow

Most of us knew that his illness two year ago was very serious, but that knowledge did not soften the shock of Phil's sudden death a few weeks ago. So punctilious was he in his visits to the sick and so cheerful was he in coping with his increasing blindness, that we were beguiled into believing that he would be with us for many more years. But it was not to be. And when all of us who knew him began to reckon up what we and the village owed him in so many ways, we soon realized how much we had to be thankful for in Phil Sparrow. The catalogue of his activities has already been set out in the Obituary notice in the Evesham Journal. His work on the Flower Show Committee, for the British Legion, for the Church, and for a number of other organisations is well known. But valuable as all this certainly was, it was the man himself we valued most. We send our deepest sympathy to his widow in her bereavement.

Lilian Mary Hatcher

Lilian Hatcher (nee Careless) had lived in Badsey most of her life, having moved here with her parents from South Littleton. In 1926 she married Alec Hatcher and for many years she helped him on his market garden land. During recent years she had been in poor health, and was admitted to hospital a few weeks before her

death. Over the years her family have been connected with the Church: her mother, Mrs. Careless, at one time played the Church organ, her husband in his youth was a chorister, and her son, Maurice, was a chorister in the time of Canon Allsebrook. We send our deepest sympathy in their loss to the family, especially to Mr. Hatcher.

Jim Taylor has died at the comparatively young age of 55 years. He became ill last Christmas, and it soon became evident that his condition was inoperable. He was an Aldington man all his life, having spent some of his years in one of the little cottages opposite what used to be the garden of the Manor. And it was in Aldington that he ran his business of Coach Body Building. We send his wife and family our deepest condolences in their bereavement.

War Memorial Rota

May 2nd, Mrs. M. Hay; May 9th, Mrs. S. Goldstraw; May 16th, Mrs. L. Spencer; May 30th, Mrs. Hurman.

Badsey Wives

May 3rd: Coffee Evening at Badsey Village Hall, 7-30 p.m. Various stalls, white elephant, tombola, jumble, etc., and a raffle. Proceeds to Hampton Home.

May 17th: Visit to Moreton-in-Marsh Fire Station; names to Mrs. Ealey or Mrs. Johnson for coach which will leave at 7-0 p.m. prompt.

Sixty Plus Club

Wednesday, May 19th, 2-30 p.m. at the Royal British Legion Club. This month we hope to be entertained by a party of Club members.

The P.C.C. thank all parishioners who have, over the last eighteen months, acted as Street Wardens, (letting the Vicar, or when necessary Nurse Davies, know of anyone ill in their road).

We hope you will continue with this service, and anyone **not** on the list below, willing to help in this way, please contact the Vicar (or Mrs. Bell).

Mr. & Mrs. Bartlett, Bell, Cole, Hatcher, Hartwell, Ives, Merriman, Owen, Thompson.

Messrs. G. Wilcox, Tucker, Syril, Barrand.
Misses Core, Sladden.

Mesdames Beesley, A. Brookes, Bolland, Bent, Burford, S. Brookes, Betteridge, Caswell, Cleaver, Clements, Dore, Davies, Ealey, Evans, Exon, Floyd, Fowler, Gresty, B. Hall, C. Hall, E. Hall, Harman, Harwood, Harvey, Hay, Holley, Hardiman, Knight, T. Knight, L. Knight, Keyte, Munday, Ogg, Plant, Portman, Perkins, Reed, Richards, Robbins, Sladden, Sparrow, Stanton, E. Smith, Salter, Toney, Young, Wyld.

We also wish to thank the Parishioners who visit regularly (on our behalf) the sick and housebound, and hope they will continue to do this.

Mesdames Betteridge, Bartlett, Bell, Clements, Crisp, Churchill, Edwards, J. Evans, Floyd, Harman, Ives, Owen, J. Sparrow, Thompson, Miss Douse.
Messrs. Owen, Taylor, Thompson.

D. Bell.

WICKHAMFORD NOTES

Services in May

- 2 Easter 2. 9-30 Holy Communion (said).
- 9 Easter 3. 3-0 Evensong and Baptism.
- 16 Easter 4. 9-30 Family Eucharist.
- 23 Rogation Sunday. 11-0 Family Service (Mattins).
- 27 Ascension Day. 7-30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 30 Sunday after Ascension Day. **At Cleeve Prior:** Evensong 6-30.

June

- 6 WHIT SUNDAY. 9-30 Family Eucharist.

Please Note that on the fifth Sunday (May 30th) we shall be joining our neighbouring parishes for Evensong at Cleeve Prior. If you want a lift or can offer one please let one of the Churchwardens know, or a member of the Parochial Church Council.

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Servers

May 2nd, D. Carter; May 16th, S. Noyes; June 6th, T. Mobley.

Baptism

On April 11th: Lisa Helen Collett; Susan Elaine Healey.

Donation

A splendid blanket worked in crochet by Mrs. Evans has been kindly donated by her. This will be the first prize in a Grand Draw which will be held later in the year.

Annual Vestry and Parochial Church Meeting

This was held in the Memorial Hall on Sunday, April 11th, and the following elections were made:

Churchwardens: Mr. J. E. Parry and Mr. D. G. Poulter.

Deanery Synod Representatives: Mr. D. G. Poulter and Mr. J. Sharp.

Parochial Church Council: Messrs. C. Beacon, J. Sharp, J. Dunkerley, J. E. Parry, D. G. Poulter; Mesdames B. Astley, B. Brown, A. Cox, M. Parry, A. Poulter, M. Lewis, E. Parker, I. M. Sutton, S. Terry.

Vice-Chairman: Mr. J. Dunkerley.

Hon. Secretary: Mrs. M. Parry.

Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. B. Astley.

Electoral Roll Secretary: Mr. J. Sharp.

Auditor: Mr. M. Wadams.

Sidesmen: Messres. C. Willis, C. Beacon, D. G. Poulter, J. E. Parry, J. Sharp.

Play Corner Committee

On Thursday, May 20th in Memorial Hall at 8-0 p.m.

FASHION SHOW by DOROTHY PERKINS

Tickets 25p. each

Bring and Buy Stall.

Tickets from Mrs. Corbett (34, Sally Close) or

Mrs. Sharp (10, Manor Road).

Welcome and best wishes to those who have moved recently into Wickhamford: Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wilson and family (Grey Gables, Manor Road); Mr. and Mrs. Moyle and family (24, Washington Road).

Report of Wickhamford W.I. Meeting

The April W.I. Meeting at Wickhamford was well attended. Arrangements have been made to hold a "Knit-in" at the May meeting in aid of the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council for Research, and members are busy getting sponsors for this worthy cause. Arrangements were also made for some members to attend the Group Meeting at Broadway, the competition for this being a hand-made Easter Bonnet.

Mr. Humphries (now retired) recalled some of his memories and experiences, of 25 years with the B.B.C.

Refreshments were served by Mesdames Bell, Litterick and Newman and the monthly Flower Competition winners were: 1st, Mrs. Atkins; 2nd, Mrs. Litterick; 3rd, Mrs. Hancock. The monthly parcel was won by Mrs. Coveney.

P. Hancock.

Wickhamford Gardening Club

Wednesday, 5th May is the date of our next meeting commencing at 7.45 p.m. for 8 p.m. The ever popular Mr. Percy Picton will be with us again and his subject is "Propagation".

Competition this time is: Three Spring Blooms.

Everyone is welcome.

Footnote

The following extracts from 'The Times' may be of interest to those whose work involves a lot of foot-logging:

The Russians have invented power-assisted boots, and my Moscow correspondent assures me it is not a belated April fool joke. The breakthrough, reported in Pravda, has been made at an institute of aviation.

The prototype is a pair of canvas boots with the heels hinged to the soles. Clamped to each heel is a small internal combustion engine with a 100-gram petrol flask. The compression of the cylinder produces a kick by the heel that propels the wearer on a forward leap of more than three metres—the hottest thing since seven-league boots.

The inventors claim that anyone should be able to cover 25kilometres in an hour on only 70 grams of petrol. They add, though that the device has yet to be vetted by physicians, and it is hard to predict how easily people will adapt to the strange footwear.

They are preparing to test the boots first on artificial legs which will simulate the human stride, then on volunteer walkers. Pravda thinks the invention could be of use to shepherds with large flocks, and rural postmen with long routes. Anticipating scepticism, the paper makes the point that almost every technical advance is greeted with derision initially.

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