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Dear Friends,

The Communion of Saints

We say in the Creed that we 'Believe in the Communion of Saints', and one of the things we mean by this phrase is the fellowship of our fellow Christians. By the word 'Saints' we do not refer to those who have achieved some sort of divine grade of piety, but to those who have been called by Our Lord to be his disciples. Sanctity, or Holiness, is what you and I possess by virtue of our being chosen by God to witness to His Love in the world; it is not primarily a matter of being 'good', though we hope that part of our response to His calling will be expressed in an endeavour to be such. We then, are called by our Baptism to be saints... we have been set apart by Him not as a privileged elite, but as a people chosen to serve Him and His world.

Communion

What you and I should never forget is that we have been baptised into a Communion or Fellowship. It is no accident that our central act of worship has one of its titles, 'Holy Communion', for in the liturgy of that service we enact our communion with the Lord and with each other. As we kneel beside each other to receive the Blessed Sacrament we are gratefully aware of the presence of our fellow Christians, whether they be many as perhaps on an important festival, or whether they be no more than two or three as on a weekday celebration of the Eucharist. You and I receive Holy Communion not as individuals but as a congregation, as the church, which is why our absence from the Eucharist on Sunday is much more than a little piece of private negligence; it is an injury to our fellow Christians, whose Holy Communion is thereby made imperfect.

Home Communicants

Our 'Communion of Saints' in Badsey and Wickhamford extends to those who receive Holy Communion in their homes. They are not able any longer to kneel beside us in church on Sunday; but they are held together with us by an invisible bond as they receive the Sacrament once a month at home. Who are they? Perhaps if I publish their names the rest of us can remember them in our prayers on Wednesday (which is the day they receive Communion), and they can pray by name for each other. But, of course, we who are younger and able-bodied are as much in need of the prayers of our sick or elderly fellow communicants, as vice versa, and so I ask those of you who are on this following list to pray for us as we receive Communion on Sunday. Those of you who receive the Sacrament at home will usually do so on the following days: The first Wednesday in the month: William Hardiman, Kathleen Tizard, Gladys Hall, Edith Owens, Tom Keen. The second Wednesday in the month: Mary Ganly, Vera

Lawley, Nellie Agg, Harry and Connie Marshall. The third Wednesday in the month: Lucy Cull and Hilda Aldrich, Ann Badham, Clara Sturt, Irene Hobbs.

If there is anyone reading this who is housebound and unable to attend church, and who would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please will he or she ask me to visit?

The Chalice

While on the subject of Holy Communion, there is a matter I have been meaning to mention for some time. I would find it a great help in administering the sacrament if communicants would hold the chalice and so guide it to their lips. Sometimes, and particularly with our older chalices, it is very difficult for the priest to administer tidily. To avoid accidents you will find that most clergy will not let go of the chalice, but that does not mean they do not welcome a helping hand.

Yours sincerely,

ADRIAN LEAK.

Scripture Cake

A parishioner has given the editor the following recipe for a cake; she assures him that if made according to instructions it tastes very good. References are to the Authorised Version of the Bible (the King James Bible).

- 4½ cups of 1st Kings, Chapter 4, verse 22 (last clause).
- 1½ cups of Judges, chapter 5, verse 25.
- 2 cups of Jeremiah, chapter 6, verse 20.
- 2 cups of 1st Samuel, chapter 25, verse 18.
- 2 cups of Nahum, chapter 3, verse 12.
- 1 cup of Numbers, chapter 17, verse 8.
- 2 tablespoons 1st Samuel, chapter 14, verse 25.
- Season to taste 2nd Chronicles, chapter 9, verse 9.
- 6 only Jeremiah, chapter 17, verse 11.
- Pinch of Leviticus, chapter, 2 verse 13.
- ½ cup of Judges, chapter 4, verse 19 (last clause).
- 2 teaspoons Amos, chapter 4, verse 5.
- Method Proverbs, chapter 23, verse 14.

BADSEY, ALDINGTON BLACKMINSTER AND BOWERS HILL NOTES

Church Services in August

- 3 Wednesday. No Service.
- 7 Trinity 9. 10-45 Family Eucharist; 6-30 Evensong.
- 10 Wednesday. 10-0 H.C.
- 14 Trinity 10. 8-0 Holy Communion; 6-30 Evensong.
- 17 Wednesday. 10-0 H.C.
- 21 Trinity 11. 10-45 Family Eucharist; 4-0 Evensong and Baptism.
- 24 St. Bartholomew. 10-0 H.C.
- 28 Trinity 12. 8-0 Holy Communion; 6-30 Sung Eucharist.
- 31 St. Aidan. 10-0 H.C.

September

4 Trinity 13. 10-45 Family Eucharist; 6-30 Evensong.

Servers' Rota - August

7 10-45 Paul Brazier (S), A. Watkin (C); 6-30 T. Knight.

14 8-0 A. Betteridge; 6-30 M. Clements.

21 10-45 T. Knight (S), Paul Brazier (C).

28 8-0 A. Watkin; 6-30 D. Barrand (S), M. Carmichael (C).

September

4 10-45 A. Watkin (S), T. Knight (C); 6-30 Paul Brazier.

Holy Baptism

On July 17th:

Tracy Ann Marchant; Richard Christopher Taylor; Deborah Ruth Clarke.

Holy Matrimony

On July 23rd:

Colin William Grinnell and Jennifer Lillian Jones.

Burial

On July 22nd: Amanda Hughes, aged 5 years. Mandy died from injuries received in a road accident. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to her parents, brothers and sister.

The Fete. This was held on June 25th in the Vicarage garden, and was opened by the Mayor of Evesham. A display of Judo was given by members of the Wallace House Judo Club, and the Blackminster Silver Band entertained with selections of well known tunes. Many thanks to all who ran the stalls and side shows, to those who contributed prizes or goods, and to those who came (and stayed, despite the rain!). The afternoon made a profit of about £210, which was most gratefully received by our treasurer, and will go towards the running costs of our parish church.

BARBECUE AT BADSEY MANOR GARDEN

by courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Bowler

On FRIDAY, AUGUST 26th, 7-0 p.m. - 9-0 p.m.

Licensed Bar. Hot Dogs. Children's Races. Side Shows. Ticket 35p. (includes one free drink). Children (who must be accompanied by an adult) 10p. Tickets available from members of the P.C.C. Any profits arising from the evening will be given to Church Funds.

Donation from the Scouts and Cubs Committee £5, donated to the Overseas Project.

Sixty Plus Club - Wednesday August 17th - as usual.

War Memorial Rota - August

14th, Mrs. D. Hartwell; 21st, Mrs. A. W. Sparrow; 28th, Mrs. Marshall.

Badsey Wives. Restart September 5th with a Coffee Evening at Manor House, High Street, Badsey.

ALL WIVES VERY WELCOME.

All meetings held on 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. Starting at 8-0 p.m. in the Village Hall.

WICKHAMFORD NOTES

Church Services in August

7 Trinity 9. 9-30 Holy Communion (said).

14 Trinity 10. 3-0 Evensong and Baptism.

21 Trinity 11. 9-30 Family Eucharist.

28 Trinity 12. 11-0 Matins.

September

4 Trinity 13. 9-30 Holy Communion (said).

Donation. Birthday Thankoffering (August 10th) from Mrs. Nott, £3.

Sick and Convalescent (as on July 20th)

Beryl Hunt, Charles Lewis, Elsie Walters, Fred Abbott, Mona Hargreaves.

Coffee Morning. This was arranged by Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Astley in the latter's garden on July 20th, and raised £27 for church funds. Many thanks to all who helped and came.

Sunday School. On behalf of the Sunday School Mrs. Anne Poulter wishes to thank the anonymous donor of £10. We are very grateful for this gift. A prize giving will take place at a future date.

Our sincere thanks go to Mrs. J. Cory who has helped with the Sunday School for some time but who is now resigning from the post. Would anyone who is interested in helping to teach younger members of the parish please contact the Vicar or Mrs. A. Poulter.

Sunday School will be closed during the summer holidays and will re-open on Sunday, September 4th at 11-0 a.m.

On the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Sundays we hold Sunday School in the Memorial Hall, 11-0 a.m. to 12 noon.

On the 4th Sunday of each month a Family Service is held in church, 11-0 a.m. to which all members of the family are welcome.

A.P.

Wickhamford Silver Jubilee Celebrations

The Jubilee celebrations on 7th June, 1977 took place on the Sports Field and were made possible by the various Fund Raising Events which took place during the months prior to Jubilee Day. These events included a Film Show, Bingo Night, Spring Fair, Variety Concert, Whist Drive and a Sponsored Walk. In addition to these events some donations were received, and together with the takings at the day's celebrations and the evening barbeque, the total income was just short of £575. The Jubilee Committee decided to present to all village children under the age of 16 years a Jubilee Crown in a presentation case and 197 were distributed, the majority being handed out to the children on the Sports Field by the Rose Queen and her two attendants. All the remaining Crowns have since been handed to those unable to attend on the day.

The day itself proved an enormous success and the ladies of the Committee and their helpers did a wonderful job in catering for 600 (yes 600!) teas which were free to all members of the village. The children's Fancy Dress Competition, Pram Race, Tug-of-War, Ladies Bonnet Competition and Comic Football Match helped to make the

occasion a memorable one and in the evening there was a Disco for the younger people in a marquee on the Sports Field and an evening Sing-Song for those not active enough to risk the rigours of a Disco!

The day's events, for which prizes were allotted, together with the catering costs and also the payment for the Crowns and cases and hire of the Marquee, etc., left the Committee with a cash balance of £214.

Recently the Committee met with a view to providing a permanent memorial with some of the balance, and after a donation to the Youth Club of £30 for the purchase of a Table Tennis table, it is hoped to provide with the remainder a seat or seats in the village at places which the Parish Council will be asked to approve. Further details of progress in this direction will be given in future editions of the Magazine.

The Committee would like to thank all those who helped to make the 7th June, 1977 a most happy occasion and hope that they enjoyed themselves as much as the Committee did in organising this event.

C.B.

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