

BADSEY, ALDINGTON and WICKHAMFORD PARISH REVIEW



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A 24 hr. VIGIL OF PRAYER for racial justice and peace

Begins

OCTOBER 25th at 8-0 p.m.

AT ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, EVESHAM

with an Ecumenical Service; Everyone of goodwill invited. Address by the Bishop of Worcester.

The Vigil is being organised by the Evesham and District Council of Churches as part of the national WEEK OF PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE, October 22nd - 29th.

Continues throughout the night and next day, with members of Evesham's churches always present. There will be a short Reading or Prayer every quarter of an hour. The rest of the time will be for quiet reading, thinking and praying. Certain appropriate books and leaflets will be supplied. Others may be brought by those keeping the Vigil.

On the Thursday morning (26th) the EUCHARIST will be celebrated according to the Church of England Rite. All are invited to attend and (if their churches allow) may receive Holy Communion if they are communicants within their own congregations.

On Thursday afternoon at 5 p.m. there will be the office of Evening Prayer, a short, said service of Scripture Readings, Psalms and Prayers. Anyone welcome.

Concludes with an Ecumenical Service at All Saints' Church at 7-30 p.m., Thursday 26th, drawing together the themes and intentions of the Vigil.

Collections and Donations during the Vigil will be given to the **Corrymeela Community**, working for peace and reconciliation in Northern Ireland.

Answers to the Quiz (see September issue)

In Badsey:

1653: the date when the East gable of the Church was rebuilt. 1885 when the Church was extensively restored and the South Aisle built. Both these dates can be seen on the exterior East wall of the Chancel.

1911: on the fountain opposite Seward House; this was built to commemorate the coronation of George V, and replaced a dilapidated drinking trough, which had earlier replaced a pool (hence 'Pool House').

1677: on the wall of the Bank building at the top of the Pike. The house itself is modern, but the date is that of the founding of Lloyd's Bank.

1786: on the Drummond coat of Arms on the front of the Vicarage. The engraved stone was removed from the former Vicarage, which was built in 1786 by the Revd. George William Auriol Hay Drummond. Mr. Drummond later perished at sea when his ship was wrecked off the Devon coast.

1864: on the front of the Silk Mill. The building is older, but in this year it was converted from a Mill into six separate dwellings (recently re-converted into four).

1955: on the front of the Remembrance Hall.

1947: on the front of the central house in Horsebridge Avenue, facing the main road.

In Wickhamford:

1872: the date, with the initials, J.P.L., appear in two places; on the pair of houses opposite the Sandys Arms, and on the Lodge at the main road end of Wickhamford Lane. The initials are those of Captain John Pickup Lord, at one time owner of the Wickhamford estate, which was later administered by trustees (Lord and Parker), before being sold off in separate lots by the trustees and, later, Mr. George Lees Milne. (The editor is indebted to one of our readers for this information).

1661: on the painting above the Chancel Arch in Church. The Royal Arms were painted there to celebrate the return of King Charles II to his kingdom in 1660.

1730: on the front of the Church porch, which, with the window which lights the gallery, was built at this time.

1584: on Jane Spooner's memorial which can be seen on the inside south wall of the nave of the Church. Jane lived at the Manor.

1841: immediately above the Chancel Arch, this being the date when Arthur Lord Sandys restored the Church.

1697: on Penelope Washington's memorial which is in the floor of the Sanctuary. She lived in the Manor.

The 'stout' grocer on horseback' can be seen surmounting the weather vane above one of the Manor outhouses (visible from the road). He is Mr. John Jorrocks, of Great Coram Street in the City of London, whose sound reputation as a purveyor of fine teas was eclipsed by his fame as Master of the Handley Cross Hounds.

BADSEY, ALDINGTON, BLACKMINSTER AND BOWERS HILL NOTES

Church Services in October

- 1 Harvest Festival. 10-45 The Eucharist. 6-30 Evensong.
- 4 Wednesday (St. Francis). 10-0 The Eucharist.
- 8 Trinity 20. 8-0 The Eucharist; 6-30 Evensong.
- 11 Wednesday. 10-0 The Eucharist.
- 15 Trinity 21. 10-45 The Eucharist. 4-0 Evensong and Baptism.
- 18 Wednesday (St. Luke). 10-0 The Eucharist.
- 22 Trinity 22. 8-0 The Eucharist. 6-30 Confirmation (with Holy Communion).
- 25 Wednesday. 10-0 The Eucharist.
- 29 Trinity 23. 10-45 Family Service. 6-30 Evensong (at S. Littleton).

November

- 1 Wednesday (All Saints). 10-0 The Eucharist.
- 5 Trinity 24. 10-45 The Eucharist. 6-30 Evensong.

Please note that the Bishop of Worcester will be confirming candidates from Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford on October 22nd, 6-30 p.m.; it is hoped that a good number of our congregation will be present to support these youngsters.

Please note that we shall be having our combined service for the seven parishes at South Littleton Parish Church on October 29th, 6-30 p.m. If you wait transport please will you tell one of the churchwardens or the vicar, and if you can offer a lift in your car please will you make this known?

Holy Baptism

On September 17th: Michelle Marie Johns.

Funerals

On September 1st:

Thomas Richard Tandy, aged 75 years.

On September 13th:

Walter William Tomkins, aged 72 years.

On September 27th (Cheltenham) followed by Memorial Service at Badsey on October 3rd:

Arthur Clinton Sears, aged 70 years.

Thomas Richard Tandy

He retired with his wife to Badsey a few years ago, and lived in Brewer's Lane in the bungalow where Mrs. Ellis used to live. Mr. & Mrs. Tandy had recently been on holiday with their children and grandchildren, and both were in good spirits and good health. Mr. Tandy's sudden and unexpected death, merciful to him, has come as a grievous blow to his widow and family. To whom we send our deepest sympathy.

Walter William Tomkins

Born and bred in the parish, Mr. Tomkins spent all his life in Badsey, and was one of that generation who passed all their working years on the land. Recently he had to go to hospital for an operation on his eyes, but apart from that he seemed in good health. His sudden death came as a great shock to his neighbours in Sands Lane and to his many friends in the village. We send his family our sincere condolences.

Arthur Clinton Sears

Born in the same house in Badsey Fields Lane which was to be his home for so much of his life, Mr. Sears, like his parents before him, was very much part of this parish. Educated at Dean Close School in Cheltenham, he entered his father's business, and became a prominent Fruit and Vegetable Merchant in this district. Last year he suffered a serious illness, which compelled him to retire from business, but from which he nevertheless made a very good recovery. His sudden death while he and his wife were on holiday spared him the trial of a long drawn out illness, but has come as a sharp blow to his wife and to his many friends. We send our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Sears in her bereavement.

Maintenance of Churchyard

There are a number of jobs to be done to get certain jobs which fall outside the maintenance work done so parts of the churchyard in good order before the winter, well for us by Mr. Clint Evans.

A few volunteers could do this work in a very short time. If you would be willing to help please give your name to Mr. George Willcox and we will then arrange a working party.

Donations

£5 to the Overseas Project Fund from Mr. Rex King of Ontario.

£10 from Mr. P. Sladden.

£100 in memory of the late Alfred Eyre, from Mrs. Eyre.

Sick and Convalescent (in September)

Thomas Richards, Aubrey Syril, Mavis Tucker, Winifred Skitt, Sue Willett, Douglas Huxley, Dorothy Tombs, Beatrice Hampton, Albert Owen, Gwendoline Dyke, Rosemary Hartwell, Joan Greenhalgh, John Barnard, Dorothy Weaver.

Badsey Village Comforts Fund

A very successful Coffee Evening held at Mrs. Brazier's in aid of a wheelchair realized £140. The Committee wish to thank all those who supported them so generously. The Fund is able to lend out on short or long loan a number of aids for the elderly or the sick. A list will appear in the next issue of this magazine. For more information please contact one of the following committee members:

Mrs. Brazier, 'The Laurels', High Street. Mrs. Harvey, 6, Chapel Street. Mrs. W. Harwood, 44a, High Street. Mrs. G. Addis, 14, Old Post Office Lane. Mrs. P. S. Tucker, Field Cottage, Mill Lane. Mrs. Davis, 23, Synehurst.

Mothers' Union

Wednesday, 4th, 10 a.m. Corporate Communion.

Tuesday, 10th, 2-30 p.m. A Devotional Talk, by Mrs. Mytton.

Wednesday, 18th, St. Luke's Day. 10 a.m. The Eucharist. During the day members will visit housebound and sick members in the parish.

Tuesday, 24th, 7-30 p.m. Mrs. Squires will give an illustrated talk on the C. of E. Children's Society.

We wish to thank Mrs. Eyre for her gift of £5 to the M.U. on leaving Badsey; we hope to buy literature for the use of the branch, and wish her happiness in her new home.

Daphne Bell.

Sunday School

We wish to thank Mrs. Eyre for her gift of £5, with which we are going to buy illustrated service books for the children's use at the Family Eucharist.

Daphne Bell.

Badsey Women's Institute

Mrs. W. Smith, President, opened the meeting by welcoming all members after the summer holidays.

Mrs. Griffiths has been accepted at Denman College in 1979 for a course on rug making.

The Coffee Morning organised by Mrs. Print and Mrs. Cudel raised approximately £25.00 for W.I. funds, many thanks to them both.

Miss Hands and Miss Gant agreed to be Badsey's representatives at the half-yearly council meeting at Malvern on 24th October.

One of our founder members, Mrs. Butler, recently celebrated her 90th birthday and it was agreed that a basket of fruit be sent together with our congratulations.

Mrs. Seaman, one of our own members gave a highly entertaining talk on her experiences on going back to nursing after a 20 year gap, she was thanked by Mrs. Smith. Refreshments were served by Mesdames A. Smith, Major, Whitehouse and Thompson. Monthly draw was won by Mrs. Harrison and the sea-shell collage competition was won by Mrs. Bartlett.

October Meeting:

Wednesday, 11th October, 7-15 p.m. Members' Night and Harvest Supper £1.00.

R. E. Merrett, Secretary.

Badsey Wives

The two evening meetings in October, which take place at the Memorial Hall commencing at 8 o'clock are:— October 2nd, the speaker being Mrs. Margaret Evans from "Beewell Health Foods" and October 16th when we are going to be entertained by a Fashion Show. The clothes are being supplied by the "Rosemary Bush" of Port Street. The selection will include girls dresses from the age of 6 and women's clothes from size 12 upwards. (The shop does cater for sizes up to 26). Some of our own members will be doing the modelling, so do come along to see the clothes and enjoy the fun.

If you find you cannot join us on a Monday evening, why not come to one of our Coffee Mornings, the proceeds of which go towards the children's Christmas party. So far we have one planned for October, it is on the 11th at 10-30 at the home of Christine Smith, 10, Wilbersey Road. It will be a Pippa-Dee Party. Any other Coffee Mornings for October will be announced then.

L.M.

Sixty Plus Club

Wednesday, October 18th when we shall have a Bring and Buy Stall to raise money for the Cobalt Unit Appeal.

On September 6th a coachload of us spent a very interesting afternoon at Leamington Spa, where we had a conducted tour of the Guide Dog Training Centre and saw two films showing us how the dogs are trained.

We ventured out again on September 13th. Leaving Badsey at 9-30 a.m., we spent the morning at Worcester Porcelain Works. Afterwards we continued our journey, via Malvern, to Symonds Yat, where we stayed for two hours and the journey home, through the Forest of Dean, was very pleasant. We arrived home at 5-30, a little tired, but happy.

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WICKHAMFORD NOTES

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- 1 Trinity 19. 9-30 The Eucharist.
8 Trinity 20. 9-30 The Eucharist.
15 Trinity 21. 9-30 The Eucharist.
22 Trinity 22. 11-0 Mattins. 6-30 Confirmation at Badsey.
29 Trinity 23. 9-30 The Eucharist. 6-30 Combined Evensong (S. Littleton).

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Holy Baptism

On September 10th:

Jonathan Trevor Wright and Christopher Alan Wright.

Holy Matrimony

On September 23rd:

Stephen Andrew Webb and Jeanette Margaret Harris.

The Flower Festival

Once again, a very successful and happy occasion, thanks to a lot of hard work by a large number of parishioners and thanks to a spell of good weather. Over 1,500 people visited the gardens, the Church and the Exhibition during the three days. The profit was about £1,000. Below are the sums raised by the individual stalls:

Teas £123; Garden Stall £122; Spinning Wheel £3; Donations £6; Sale of Floral Pictures £3; Ice Cream £71; Church box, Concert, Sale of Cards £149.
Tickets sold: on Saturday, 251; on Sunday, 720; on Monday, 584.

Gardening Club

A.G.M. Wednesday, 1st November, followed by Entertainment by Mr. David Ward.

Sick and Convalescent

Marjorie Dixon, Charles Lewis, Alice Taylor, Norman Atkins.

Wickhamford Friendship Club

The Coffee Morning held on 23rd August was very successful, and thanks are extended to Mrs. P. Sutton for providing the necessary facilities, and to all helpers and contributors.

The meeting arranged for Wednesday, 1st November will include a General Meeting, followed by a Musical Quiz.

A Christmas Party is being arranged for Wednesday evening, 13th December, further details will be announced.

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