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Rejoicing and hope are two Christian virtues which it has been said are in rather short supply at the moment. They are rather at a premium. As we look out on the international scene at the beginning of 1981 and deepening recession at home it is perhaps not surprising. We might well wonder what there is to rejoice about or what hope there is for the future.

Yet rejoicing and hope have always been seen as signs of the Christian life. The Queen said this in her recent message to the new General Synod. "There are some subjects about which it is hard to be humorous or joyful, but surely joy is always a precious Christian quality which should be well to the fore; not of course, a shallow superficial joy which ignores the world's needs and the world's suffering, but the joy which comes of wanting to share with others the inexhaustible riches of our faith; which wants to include others and not exclude them, which wants to give people confidence in themselves, made as they are in the image of God. At his enthronement earlier this year the Archbishop of Canterbury described the message of Jesus as: changing lives with love. That is the ultimate test by which ... all Christians are judged. That is the cornerstone of our faith".

Rejoicing comes from a sure hope and a sure faith. Hope is often depicted as an anchor. An anchor is that which holds a ship firm and steady against the rising tides and changing winds. Our faith is that which holds us firm and steady amidst the storms and uncertainties of life. The words of the 17th century hymn by Joachim Neander recall this "All my hope on God is founded; He doth still my trust renew, Me through change and chance He guideth, Only good and only true. God unknown, He alone Calls my heart to be His own."

As we stand then at the beginning of another year with all its uncertainties and yet all its new opportunities, let us rejoice in the hope that our faith brings to us. We remember again the words of the apostle Paul to his beloved church at Philippi. "Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say Rejoice. Let all men know your forebearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus;" May the peace of God be with you all throughout 1981.

Your sincere Friend and Vicar,
PETER MITCHELL.

Church Services during January

St. James' Church, Badsey

January

4th Sunday Christmas 2	11.00	The Eucharist	6.30 Evensong
6th Tuesday Epiphany	p.m 7.30	The Eucharist	
7th Wednesday	10.00	The Eucharist	
11th Sunday Epiphany 1	8.00	The Eucharist	6.30 Evensong
		(said)	
14th Wednesday	10.00	The Eucharist	
18th Sunday Epiphany 2	11.00	The Eucharist	6.30 Evensong
21st Wednesday	10.00	The Eucharist	
25th Sunday (Epiphany 3)	8.00	The Eucharist	6.30 Eucharist
Conversion of St Paul		(said)	
28th Wednesday	10.00	The Eucharist	

February

1st Sunday Epiphany 4	11.00	The Eucharist	6.30 Evensong
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Lectionary for January

	<u>At the Eucharist</u>	<u>Evensong</u>
4th Christmas 2	Rom.8.11-17	1 Samuel 1
	Luke 2.41-end	John 4.19-26
11th Epiphany 1	Acts 10.34-48a	Joshua 3
	Matt.3.13-end	Mark 1.1-13
18th Epiphany 2	Acts 26.1,9-20	1 Samuel 3.1-4.1a
	Mark 1.14-20	John 1.35-end
25th (Epiphany 3)	Acts 9.1-22	Isaiah 56.1-8
Conversion of St Paul	Matt.19.27-end	Phil.3.1-14

February

1st Epiphany 4	1 Cor.3.10-17	Exodus 19.10-end
	John 2.13-22	Heb 12.14-end

St. John the Baptist, Wickhamford

January 4th	9.30 am	The Eucharist (said)
11th	9.30 am	The Eucharist
18th	9.30 am	The Eucharist
25th	11.00 am	Matins
February 1st	9.30 am	The Eucharist (said)

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms - Badsey

November 23rd	Donna Jayne Addis of 71 Synehurst
	Shane Anthony Biddle of 34 Green Leys
	Simon William Ballard of 46 Deacle Place, Evesham.
December 14th	Sarah Louise Underhill of 15 Green Leys

Funerals - Badsey

November 27th Walter James Scott Brown (at Cheltenham) aged 87 yrs

December 12th Stephen Eric Andrews (at Cheltenham) aged 64 yrs.

December 16th Clair Vivian Pope Manners (at Badsey) aged 73 yrs.

Donations

To Badsey Church in memory of Dorothy Stella Anderson, A.Leslie Byrd, and Mr & Mrs A.T.Hart, £3 from Mrs. Hilda Byrd of 29 Brewers Lane.

To Badsey Church - anonymously - £10 for the upkeep of the church.

Grateful Thanks

Our most grateful and sincere thanks are due to Mrs Reeves and Mrs Reed of Badsey and Mrs Spragg of Wickhamford, all of whom have delivered the magazine for over twenty years. They are handing over to new distributors in January, but we thank them most warmly for such loyal and faithful service to the church. Our grateful thanks are due to Mr Bartlett of Badsey who also has delivered the magazine for many years but who has now left the district.

Parish Review

- cost of "The Sign". Please note a mistake was made in the December issue stating the donation for "The Sign" to be 3 pence when in fact it should be 5 pence. We apologise for this error and trust you will note accordingly.

Worcester Diocesan News

Copies of the Worcester Diocesan News will be available in both Badsey and Wickhamford churches from January onwards. The price will be 1 pence.

Grateful Thanks (2)

Grateful thanks are also due to all the distributors of the Parish Review for their valuable assistance in 1980 and also for 1981. May we please remind them that the new subscriptions (£1.20) for 1981 are now due and should be given to Miss Jean Dyke by the end of February at the latest. Thank you.

Parish Review - Monthly Copy

News, views, opinions (within reason!) and reports on Parish Activities are always welcome for inclusion in the Parish Review. These should be given in to the Vicarage by the 18th of each month for inclusion in the next month's issue. For those residents in Wickhamford Parish they may be given to Mr. Gerrard Poulter of 5 Longdon Hill Road, also by the 18th of each month.

Mother's Union

Wednesday January 7th 10 am Corporate Communion
Tuesday January 13th 2.30 pm Mrs. Win Harrison to talk
of "A Little of This and That"
Thursday January 29th 7.30 to 10.15 pm
NEW YEAR PARTY in The Dance Studio, Chapel St.
(Please note change of usual day)

Badsey under 8 Sunday School

Sunday School will commence 1981 with a Christmas Party on Saturday, 10th January at 3 pm. All Sunday School children welcome.

Sunday School is held every Sunday at Mrs. Goldstraw's Play School at 11 am. Every 1st and 3rd Sunday the children are taken into church for the latter half of the Family Eucharist Service. I shall be pleased to welcome any children over the age of 3 and under 8 who would like to come along on a Sunday morning, commencing on 11th January.

Kathy Small.

Church of England Children's Society

Many thanks to all box-holders who contributed so generously during the past year.

The total amount collected was £130; this was a grand effort, and the money has now been sent to the Children's Society headquarters.

Each year some boxholders either move away or die, so if anyone reading this would be interested in helping the work of the Children's Society, and would consider having a box, please contact the Vicar or myself.

B. Owen, 18 Seward Road.

U.S.P.G. Boxes

The total of £40 is up slightly on last year in spite of less boxes, owing to people leaving the parish.

If you would like to have a box to fill these gaps, please contact Miss N.E. Smith, Pool House, 23 High Street, Badsey.

Badsey Wives

Our meetings for January 1981 are as follows:-

January 5th - "Slim and Trim"

January 19th - "Decorating Gateaux"

Any new members will be most welcome. Our meetings are at the Village Hall and start at 8 O'clock.

S. Young.

Badsey Women's Institute

At our December meeting Mrs. Keyte gave us some very good practical instructions on Macrame and afterwards there was a good rendering of Christmas Carols. The Raffle was won by Mrs. H. Griffiths and the Competition by Mrs. W. Harrison, which was a Christmas Table Decoration. Refreshments were provided by Mesdames: Grant, Hands, Hughes, Bufton, Haynes and Hall. The winners of the "Winter Poem" last month were Mesdames: Plant, Eames, Shaw.

NEXT MEETING - January 14th - Collection of Victorian Underwear by Mrs. Sonia Ealey.

Social Time - Grandmother's Treasures, What is it?

Competition - Prettiest Button.

Sixty Plus Club

Next Meeting, Wednesday January 21st.

Our meeting in December took the form of a Christmas afternoon. We were entertained by Mr. Trevor Jones and his choir. Many thanks to the Brownies for their visit and the gifts they distributed. Thanks also to the Guides for the Cards they made and gave to members. The raffle organised by Mrs. Brotherton realised £6 and was won by Mrs. Merrett. The Christmas raffle was won by Mrs. Davies, Miss Davies, Miss Smith and Mrs. Churchill. An assortment of Christmas fare was enjoyed at tea time. The afternoon ended with a distribution of presents.

1st Badsey Girl Guides

The Company was 4 years old last April, and have just had their first Queen's Guide, Carole Burton, who is a founder member. The award was presented at a special party, when parents and all the Company's Badge testers were invited and entertained as a way of saying "Thank You".

Guiding is 70 years old in Worcestershire, and a Celebration Camp was held at the Three Counties Showground, Malvern, last July when most of the Badsey Guides attended this weekend camp. A Display of Guiding in the last 70 years was held at the Arts Centre Evesham on October 3rd.

Elizabeth Holland

Wickhamford P.C.C.

The members of the P.C.C. are very grateful for three recent generous donations. From Miss Holland - proceeds of the sale of charity Christmas cards - £13, and as the result of a collection on Hallowe'en night by Emma Badham, Donna & Stella Cole and Sarah Noyes - £3.82.

Also in memory of Albert Webb - £5.