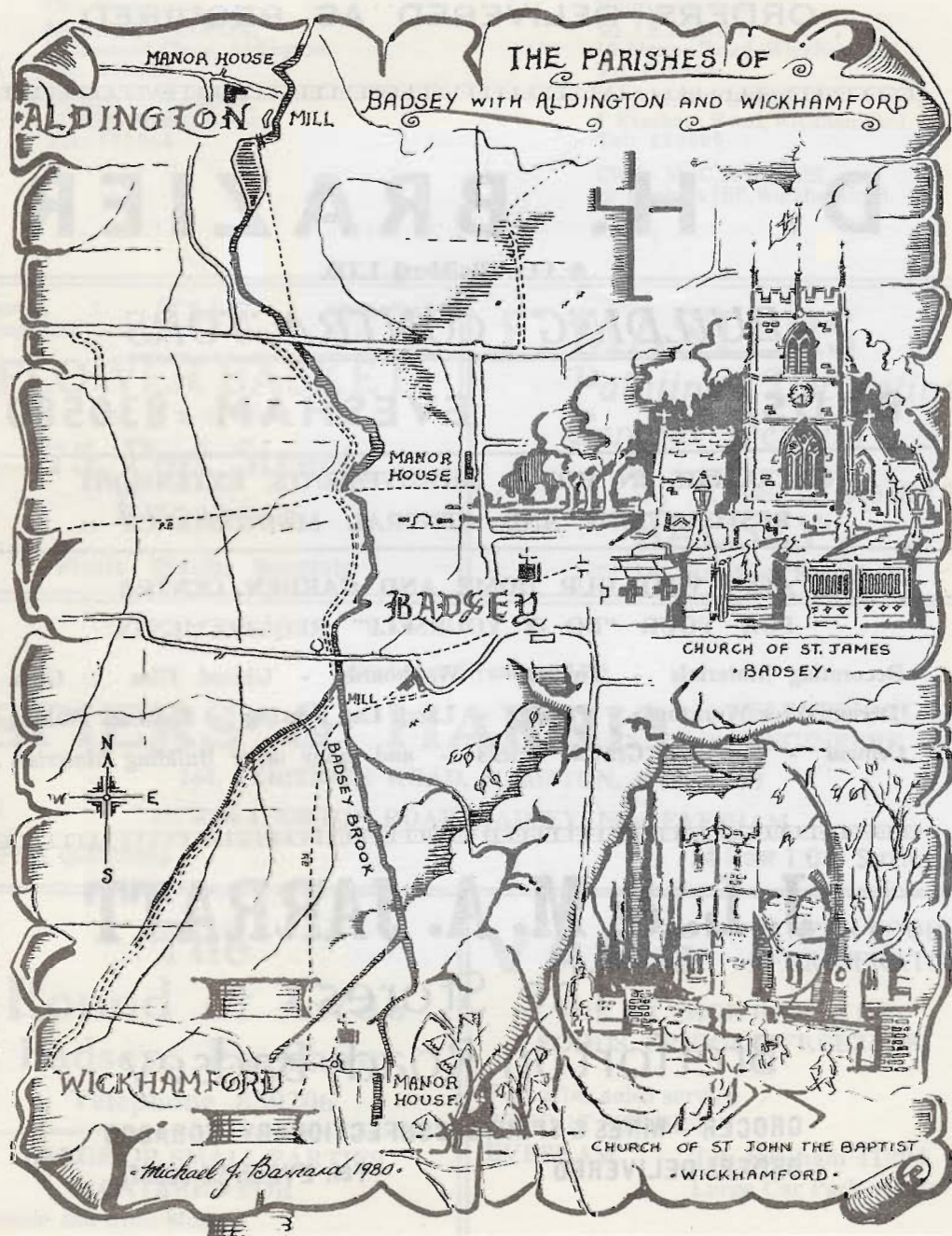


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My dear Friends,

Regular Giving

At recent meetings of both our PCCs the need for regular giving to our churches has been stressed if we are to meet our commitments in full in 1981.

The Bishop of Worcester reminded us of this need when, in the January issue of the Worcester Diocesan News, he wrote, "My prayer for us all in 1981, would be that we have the faith and the courage to do as the Wise Men are recorded as doing, go out of our way to lay our gifts at our Lord's cradle side. Each of us has had the opportunity to see the star, but do we really go the extra mile, take the extra trouble to put at his feet a gift that is costly. Many of us say the words; "We offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice, Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory" But what effect do these words have on the way we live our lives? Do they bid us to worship, to pray and to give consistently? When we can answer "Yes" to these questions we, like the Wise Men, have found partnership with our Lord. Let us all use 1981 to make these words a reality. Our gifts of our time, our abilities and our money are just as precious as the gifts the Wise Men offered. In fact they can be more precious, for in our Lord's hands they can enrich the lives of those with whom we come into contact".

There is a real need for the regular giving to the church today of our time, our abilities and our money. Just as we share in the regular worship and prayer of the church, and in the life of its many and varied activities, so too we should share in the regular giving necessary to meet its needs. In the offering of our gifts to the Lord that his precious work may continue, he calls us today and invites us to share with him in his redeeming work.

It has been said the more grateful we are the more generous we become. The regular offering of our gifts should be above all else a tangible expression of our gratitude to God our Heavenly Father for all he has done for us in His Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Our churches both stand as a real and living witness to the presence of our Lord in the midst of our parishes today. In love, in gratitude and in our giving we pray they may long continue to do so.

Your sincere Friend and Vicar,

PETER MITCHELL.

Church Services during February

St. James' Church, Badsey

1st Sunday Epiphany	4	11.00	The Eucharist	6.30	Evensong
4th Wednesday		10.00	The Eucharist		
8th Sunday Epiphany	5	8.00 am	The Eucharist	6.30	Evensong
			(said)		
11th Wednesday		10.00	The Eucharist		
15th Sunday	9 before Easter	11.00	The Eucharist	6.30	Evensong
18th Wednesday		10.00	The Eucharist		
22nd Sunday	8 before Easter	8.00 am	The Eucharist	6.30	Eucharist
			(said)		
25th Wednesday		10.00	The Eucharist		
<u>March</u>					
1st Sunday	7 before Easter	11.00	The Eucharist	6.30	Evensong
4th Ash Wednesday		10.00	The Eucharist		

Lectionary for February

	<u>At the Eucharist</u>	<u>Evensong</u>
1st Epiphany	4 1 Cor.3 10-17 John 2 13-22	Exodus 19.10-end Heb.12.14-end
8 Epiphany	5 1 Cor.3 18-end Matt.12 38-42	Job.12 1 Cor.1.18-2.5
15th 9 before Easter	1 Cor.4 8-13 Matt.5 1-12	Proverbs 3.1-18 Mark 4.1-20
22nd 8 before Easter	James 5.13-16a Mark 2.1-12	2 Kings 5.1-14 Mark 7.24-end & 8. 22-26
<u>March</u>		
1st 7 before Easter	Philemon 1-16 Mark 2 13-17	Numbers 15.27-36 John 8.2-11
4th Ash Wednesday	James 4 1-10 Luke 18 9-14	

St. John the Baptist, Wickhamford

February	1st	9.30 a.m.	The Eucharist (said)
	8th	9.30 a.m.	The Eucharist
	15th	9.30 a.m.	The Eucharist
	22nd	11.00 a.m.	Matins
March	1st	9.30 a.m.	The Eucharist
	4th	8.00 a.m.	The Eucharist
Ash Wednesday			

Baptisms & Badsey

28th December, Kerry Jane Lancaster of 35 Synehurst

Baptisms - Wickhamford

11th January, Mark Leslie Underhill of Happylands, Willersey Rd.

Funerals - Badsey

8th January, Susan Lesley Meadows (at Badsey) aged 36 years.

DONATIONS

To Badsey Church - anonymously £5 - towards the upkeep of the churchyard.

From carol singing in Wickhamford by Zena Richmond, Karen Ford, Julie Padfield, Stella and Donna Cole, Karen and Sarah Harman - £9.60 for the Church of England Childrens' Society - well done!

CHURCH ARMY BOXES

The total amount received from the Church Army Boxes in 1980 was £20.14. Our most grateful thanks are due to all who contributed in this way to the work of the Church Army and who are continuing to do so in 1981.

ORDER IN COUNCIL

Notification was recently received that H.M. the Queen with her Privy Council had been pleased to confirm the Pastoral Scheme submitted under the Pastoral Measure 1968.

The Scheme provides that from the 1st November, 1980 the benefice of Badsey and the benefice of Wickhamford in the diocese of Worcester shall be united to create a new benefice which shall be named "The Benefice of Badsey with Aldington and Wickhamford" and the area of the new benefice shall comprise of the parish of Badsey, (the name of which shall be altered to "The Parish of Badsey with Aldington"), and the parish of Wickhamford, which parishes shall continue distinct.

The new benefice and its constituent parishes shall belong to the archdeaconry of Worcester and the rural deanery of Evesham. The parsonage house of the benefice of Badsey shall be the place of residence of the incumbent of the new benefice. The patronage of the new benefice shall be vested in the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Christ in Oxford.

Dated the 13th Day of October 1980

PARISH REVIEW

The new format of the Parish Review has been generally well received in both parishes and our grateful thanks are especially due to Mr. Michael Barnard for his most unique and attractive cover.

Copy, news and articles for the Review are always welcome and should reach the Vicar by the 18th of each month at the latest.

Mothers' Union

- Feb.4th Wed. 10.00 a.m. Corporate Communion.
Feb.10th Tues. 2.30 p.m. Mrs.E.Bent to talk on
"The Duties of a Councillor"
Feb.24th Tues. 7.30 p.m. Discussion and questions to be led and answered by our Vicar Rev.P.Mitchell.
Feb.26th Thurs. 7.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. RUMMAGE SALE
in Remembrance Hall. Any goods or clothing to 12 High Street please or on afternoon to Hall.

Badsey Wives

Our two February meetings are as follows:

On 2nd February we are having a demonstration on decorating eggs for Easter, real eggs and polystyrene.

On 16th February we have our Annual General Meeting starting at 8 O'clock, at the Village Hall, when we hope all members will attend.

Badsey Womens Institute

At our January meeting Mrs. Sonia Ealey showed us her collection of Victorian underwear with the help of Mrs. Joyce Handy and Mrs. Esme Seaman who were very able models. It was a very good evening with two more new members.

The Raffle was won by Mrs. Owen and the Competition by Mrs. D.Bell. Refreshments were provided by Mesdames: Knight, Jones, Merrett and Nesbitt.

Next Meeting: 11th February - Eggs, Eggs, Eggs.

Social Time: Mr & Mrs. Competition: Valentine Card.

Sixty Plus Club

Next Meeting - Wednesday February 18th at 2.30 p.m.

We shall be pleased to welcome any new members who would like to join us.

Girl Guides Bazaar

On Saturday 6th December, Swallow Patrol of 1st Badsey Girl Guides held a Christmas Bazaar in the Dance Studio, Badsey. For several weeks in advance the six Guides in the patrol had been working away in a mad frenzy trying to collect as much stuff as possible for the stalls.

At last on Saturday everything was ready. Our only anxiety now was would enough people come to buy the goods. At 2.30 pm a queue of people streamed in. Finally at the end of an exhausting afternoon the Guides were able to clear away the empty stalls and count up their money. They were all delighted to find that the Bazaar had raised £76.66½p.

Badsey Guides would like to thank all those who supported, helped at this Bazaar and enabled them to raise this sum, which will be spent on a tent for camping next Summer.

Carol Burton (Swallow Patrol Leader)

1st Badsey Girl Guides

The Guides have been busy once again making exactly 100 Christmas Cards for the members of the Badsey Over 60's Club, and other Senior Citizens and housebound residents of the village. Should any readers know of anyone who didn't receive one, perhaps they would be kind enough to contact the Guide Leader (Mrs. Bolland Evesham 830638) so that they can be included next Christmas.

1st Badsey Brownie Pack

Another busy time for Badsey Brownies began with a Pack Holiday near Malvern in August, attended by 18 Brownies from Badsey and Sedgeberrow.

In October a sponsored walk in Badsey Recreation Ground raised just over £100 to help towards an increase in Hall Fees.

Halloween found us at a Witches and Ghosts Party at Sedgeberrow and 7th November at a Bonfire Party at Cleeve Prior.

Our new flag was carried for the first time at the Remembrance Sunday Parade, and at the Church Card Service Loraine Canning read a lesson.

Term ended with our annual visit to the 60 Plus Club Party to give cards and to give each member a small Christmas Cake, iced and decorated by the Brownies. Later we had a Christmas Film Show.

Brownie Meetings from January will take place at The Sports Club, Brewers Lane, between 5.45 and 7.00 p.m.

This has been an unusual year in as much as half of the meetings have had to be held without a Vicar. Partly as a result of this and partly because of lack of enthusiasm celebrations of the 13th centenary of the diocese in Wickhamford had to be shelved. One of the most important events for the Parish has been the inauguration of a Pastoral Scheme by the Church Commissioners in Council with Her Majesty the Queen to ensure that Wickhamford remains a separate Parish. In June, cream teas to swell church funds were resumed, and by the end of September £347 had been realised. After consultation with the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office, it was decided to increase the insurance on the Church to £177,500 with an index-linked premium. The harvest supper took place on Wednesday, October 1st, and was one of the first events in the Parish attended by our new Vicar and his family. At the penultimate meeting of the year the committee discussed in depth a paper by Canon Webb entitled "Extended Ministry" concerning proposals for a local ordained ministry. In December the interior of the Church was redecorated at a very modest cost by a local painter.

Wickhamford Church Kneelers

A meeting was held in the Memorial Hall on 12th December and was attended by Rev and Mrs Mitchell and 10 ladies. We were very interested and encouraged by a talk from Mrs Johnston from the Worcester Cathedral Guild of Embroidery, who will be guiding us through the first stages of our work. We are pleased to report that our numbers are gradually increasing and in order to buy the necessary materials to start this project we need £100. If you are interested in supporting us in our work please watch for fund raising events which will be advertised around the village. All help and contributions at these events will be most welcome. A collection of used commemorative and foreign stamps has been started, please remember to save yours and ask your friends too! Kindly deliver to Mrs. A. Poulter at "Green Pastures" or Miss Cox at 10 Manor Close. For those who may reside in Badsey please deliver to the Vicarage. Thank you - P. Poulter.

Wickhamford Senior Residents Outing

This will take place on Sunday February 8th. Coaches will leave the Sandy's Arms at 11.00 a.m. heading for Wembley and "HOLIDAY ON ICE".