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THE VICAR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

July 1981

June and July mark the Patronal Festivals of our churches. On June 24th we celebrate the Feast Day of St. John the Baptist whilst on July 25th it is the Festival of St. James, the Great Apostle. A Patronal Festival can be thought of as the birthday of a church and it can mark the date of its original consecration.

In mediaeval times a patron saint was one who, by tradition or otherwise, was chosen as the special intercessor and advocate in heaven of a particular place, person or church. So it was that the well known figures from the Gospels came to be chosen as patron saints, especially of churches. With the Reformation and the coming of the strong Protestant and Puritan influences of those times many such practices were swept away, but since the 19th century the celebration of Patronal Festivals in the Church of England has been widely revived and special services are often held to mark the occasion.

The themes of a Patronal Festival are firstly joy and thanksgiving to God for his church and the many blessings and benefits it brings. At its font our children are received into the fellowship of Christ's flock, at its chancel step, they are strengthened in the faith at Confirmation, and later may be joined together in Holy Matrimony. At its Altar the whole family of the church is fed with the Bread and the Wine of Life, and, lastly, its prayers accompany our loved ones as they pass over into the heavenly kingdom.

But as well as sharing in its privileges we are also called to share in its responsibilities and the calling of the church. So a Patronal Festival is a time of renewal and rededication, both of ourselves and of the work of the church in our two parishes. A time of new commitment to the spreading abroad of God's love in the hearts of all his people. A precious and worthy task indeed.

Sunday, July 26th, will mark the Patronal Festival of St. James, Badsey. Although it is the fourth Sunday of the month, a special celebration of the Eucharist will be held at 11.00 a.m. in the morning and Evensong will replace the usual evening celebration. The preacher in the morning will be the Revd. J.C. Williams, our recently retired Archdeacon of Worcester, and in the evening the Revd. Canon R. Stevens, who is well known to many of you already.

As is the custom of the two parishes, parishioners from each of our churches will be most welcome at these services, and it is hoped they will prove to be a time of genuine blessing and renewal for us all.

Your sincere friend and Vicar, PETER MITCHELL.

Church Services during July

St. James Church, Badsey		
1st Wednesday	10.00 The Eucharist	
5th Pentecost 4	11.00 The Eucharist 6.30 Evensong	
8th Wednesday	10.00 The Eucharist	
12th Pentecost 5	8.00 The Eucharist 6.30 Evensong	
15th Wednesday	10.00 The Eucharist	
19th Pentecost 6	11.00 The Eucharist 6.30 Evensong	
22nd Wednesday	10.00 The Eucharist	
St. Mary Magdalen	•	
PATRONAL FESTIVAL	8.00 The Eucharist 6.30 Evensong	
26th St. James Day and		
Pentacost 7	11.00 The Eucharist	
29th Wednesday	10.00 The Eucharist	
August 2nd Pentecost 8	11.00 The Eucharist 6.30 Evensong	
Lectionary for JULY		
5th Pentecost 4	Gal 3 23-4.7 Joshua 24 1-5, 13-31	
TO:1 To	John 15 12-17 Acts 8 26-end	
12th Pentecost 5	Eph 5 1-10 2 Kings 6 24-25, 7.3-	
10 Dominorate 6	Matt 1 10-20 11Cts 11 1-10	
19 Pentecost 6	Col 3 12-17 Daniel 1	
26th St. Iamas the Creat A	Luke 15 11-end Ephesians 4 17-end Acts 11 27-12 2 Jeremiah 26 1-16	
26th St. James the Great A	Mark 10 35-45 Mark 1 14-20	
August	Watk 10 33-43 Watk 1 14-20	
2nd Pentecost 8	Gal 5 16-25 Isaiah 32 9-18	
	John 15 16-end 1 Cor 12 1-31A	
St. John the Baptist, Wickhamford		
5th Pentecost 4	9.30 The Eucharist	
12th Pentecost 5	9.30 The Eucharist	
19th Pentecost 6	9.30 The Eucharist	
	11.00 Matins	
August		
2nd Pentecost 8	9.30 the Eucharist	

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptis ms - Badsey

14th June - Graham Jeffrey Begley of 10 The Leys, Bengeworth.
Sarah Elizabeth Bennett of 8 Seward Road.
Audrey Julia Carter of 55 Horsebridge Avenue.

Baptisms - Wickhamford

14th June - Philip Martin Banner of 6 Manor Close.

Funerals - Badsey

4th June - Evelyn Elizabeth Brewer aged 93 years.

Donations - To Badsey Church, in memory of the late Mr. Harry Hatcher, a further donation of £15.

Mothers Union

Wed. July 1st, 10.00 a.m. Corporate Communion. Tues. July 7th, NO MEETING.

Tues. July 28th, Cheese and Wine Evening. In the garden of Mr & Mrs J. Ives, Brewers Lane.

We shall have an "Auction" and during the evening will exchange gifts with our "Partner in Prayer".

DATE TO REMEMBER:

St. James Church Fete, Badsey. SEPTEMBER 5th, 1981.
To be held on the School Field, School Road, Badsey.
FANCY DRESS: GAMES: SIDE SHOWS: STALLS: RAFFLE and many more attractions.....

Overseas Coffee Evening

The final amount raised at the Overseas Coffee Evening on 22nd May was £246.

This was made up by £59.50 from the sale of tickets and donations, £152.55 from the stalls, including £90.75 from the Handicraft Stall, and £28.15 from the competitions. Our thanks are again due to all who contributed to this splendid result.

Badsey Women's Institute

At our June meeting, Mrs. Skinner showed us slides of her holiday in New Nealand and the Pacific Islands. Mrs. Q. Sharp gave the vote of thanks. An arrangement of flowers was presented to Mrs. D. Bell for her many years work with the drama group, and we hope many more to come. Refreshments were provided by Mesdames: B. Reed, D. Bell, D. Sparrow, J. Sparrow. The raffle was won my Mrs. W. Harrison and the competition of a travel poster by Mrs.C. Print. There was no time for the Social Hour, but many thanks to Mrs. Haynes and Mrs. Bufton for their trouble in preparing for it.

Next Meeting - July 8th: Mr. E. Off - The Marriage of Food to Wine.

Social Time: Hit the Bottle. Competition: Summer Sweet.

We hope members will wear red, white or blue next month and also bring or make a "Wedding Hat".

Badsey Wives

Badsey Wives have one meeting in July. This will be a Skittles Evening on July 6th at the "Unipart" Club in Littleton. We also have two Coffee Mornings. One on July 1st at Sonya Underhills, 15 Green Leys, and the second on July 21st at Wendy Beasleys, 13 School Lane. Both starting at 10.30 a.m.

Sixty Plus Club

Next Meeting, Wednesday July 15th.

An outing has been arranged for Tuesday, July 7th. The coach will leave at 1 O'clock and return around 6 O'clock. The monthly draw in June was won by Mrs. Crane. Our Mini Auction raised £24 for Club funds.

The Flower Show on Saturday the 25th July 1981

The Committee of the Badsey, Aldington and Wickhamford Horticultural Society again asks for your support in submitting entries for and attending the eightieth Show so as to ensure the continuing existence of the Society amid over increasing costs. Helpers are welcome and may contact any Committee Member named in the booklet to reach you shortly. Your purchase of

Draw Tickets from members before the Show will be greatly appreciated.

There are various entertainments including the Fun Fair, Hot Air Balloon, Disco Competition, Archery, Bowling and Pony Rides as well as Refreshments.

'Adopt' a Grave?

In our Badsey Churchyard we see a number of old untended graves where the grass grows several feet high and weeds abound unchecked. They are usually uncared for because all relatives of the family concerned have long ago died or left Badsey and live far away, or if still living in the village are too old and infirm to continue responsibility.

We are fortunate in having a group of voluntary helpers who undertake to mow the churchyard in the summer, but these old graves are generally too overgrown for mowers to cope with them.

Are there not some among our residents who would be willing to 'adopt' an old grave and keep it tidy? It would only require a little time occasionally, a pair of active hands, and necessary tools such as clippers and secateurs.

What an improvement it would make to the whole churchyard and exterior of the Church if these deserted and friendless graves were no longer neglected. If you think you can help by adopting one of them, will you get in touch with the Vicar or one of the Churchwardens who will be glad to receive your offer and will arrange with you which one to put under your care.

The Vicar and Churchwardens would welcome the names of anyone prepared to help in this way. There are about 17 such graves in the High Street part of the Churchyard and 15 towards Chapel Street. Cutting and tidying up of each grave would only be necessary 3 or 4 times during the summer months and once more before the winter.

Scripture Cake - 1

	I Kings 4 v 22 Judges 5 v 25	6 of Jeremiah 17 v 11 pinch of Leviticus 2 v 13
2 cups	Jeremiah 6 v 20	2 tsp. Amos 4 v 5
2 cups	I Samuel 30 v 12	season to taste with
2 cups	Nahum 3 v 12	II Chronicles 9 v 9
1 cup	Numbers 17 v 8	
	I Samuel 14 v 25	

Add citron and follow Solomon's advice for making a good boy in Proverbs 23 v 14. You should have a good cake: Use Authorised Version, not new translation from "The Palace Kitchen" Book of Kitchen Recipes. "The Palace Kitchen" is published by the Royal School of Church Music, Addington Palace, Croydon CR9 5AD, Surrey, and copies may be obtained direct from The Bursar, price £1.50, including postage.

All proceeds in aid of the R.S.C.M.

(Ingredients of the other recipes are given in the usual way.")

Wickhamford ROYAL WEDDING DAY

VILLAGE CELEBRATIONS

Money raising events

BINGO in the Sports Club, 8 p.m. on Thursday 25th June, Thursday 2nd July and Thursday 9th July.

BIG PRIZE BINGO in the Sports Club on Saturday 18th July, 8.00 p.m.

COFFEE EVENING in the Village Hall, 6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. on July 8th. TOMBOLA : CAKES : Etc

Please support these events as this is YOUR day.

IF ANYONE HAS AN ELECTRIC BOILER WE COULD BORROW ON THE DAY, PLEASE CONTACT THE POST OFFICE.