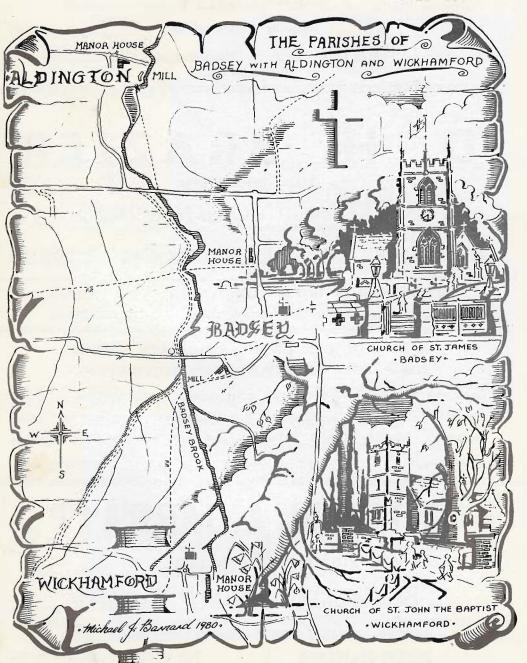
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

April 1982

My dear Friends,

Easter is a time of great rejoicing. It is the festival in the Church's year when Christians throughout the world come together to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. We think of Easter as the time of new life and rebirth. In the cycle of natural creation, at least in the northern hemisphere we see the evidence and signs of Spring reappearing once more after the dark winter days.

The Cross and Resurrection of Jesus are inextricably linked together. Good Friday and Easter Day are but two parts of the one divine drama. The one great act of divine redemption for all mankind wrought through the death and resurrection of Jesus. Without Good Friday there could be no Easter Day.

It is upon the Cross we see the triumph of God's love perfectly revealed for but a few hours of time. A love that in Jesus could triumph over the powers of evil and all that they could do. We remember the words of our Lord as he gazed down upon his persecutors, having yielded himself to their will. "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do". We remember his words to the penitent thief beside him, "This day thou shalt be with me in paradise".

It was in the light of the Resurrection and in the power of the Holy Spirit that the first followers of Jesus saw the Cross not as a moment of defeat, of ignominy and shame, but rather of triumph. The triumph of God's Love. That no matter what man might do, what dreadful sins he may perpetrate, God's will and God's good purposes will always emerge triumphant. His Love reigns over all.

We too like the first followers of Jesus, and indeed our Lord himself, are invited to place our faith, our trust and hope in that same Love. Knowing that in God our heavenly Father, our sins are forgiven and that no matter whatever life may bring we shall never be forsaken. It is through this faith, and his grace towards us that we receive the gift of his Holy Spirit within our hearts. The presence of His Spirit that brings the promise of new life, new birth and re-creation, that sees us through the darkest days to the triumph and the joys that lie beyond.

May God's joy and happiness be in all our hearts throughout this coming Eastertide.

Your sincere Friend and Vicar,
PETER MITCHELL.

CHURCH SERVICES DURING APRIL

St.	James'	Badsey
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4th Palm Sunday	11.00 am The Eucharist	6.30 pm Evensong
6th Tuesday before Easte	er 7.30 pm Evensong and Addr	ess
7th Wed.before Easter	10.00 am The Eucharist	
8th Maundy Thursday	7.30 pm The Eucharist	
9th Good Friday	2-3 pm Devotional Service	3.30 pm Evensong
10th Easter Eve	8.00 pm Easter Eve Service	
11th EASTER DAY	8.00 am The Eucharist	6.30 pm Evensong
	11.00 am The Eucharist	
14th Wednesday	NO SERVICE	•
18th Easter I	11.00 am The Eucharist	6.30 pm Evensong
		& Annual Meeting
21st Wednesday	10.00 am The Eucharist	
25th Easter 2	8.00 am The Eucharist	6.30 pm The Eucharist
28th Wednesday	10.00 am The Eucharist	
MAY		
2nd Easter 3	11.00 am The Eucharist	6.30 pm Evensong
5th Wednesday	10.00 am The Eucharist	
9th Easter 4	8.00 am The Eucharist	6.30 pm Evensong

The Annual Vestry and Annual General Meeting will be held in St James' Church, Badsey after Evensong on April 18th.

Lectionary for April

4th Palm Sunday	Phil 2 5-11	Isaiah 5 1-7
	Mark 14 32-15 41	Mark 12 1-12
8th Maundy Thursday	1 Cor 11	
	John 13 1-15	•
11th EASTER DAY	1 Cor 15 12-20	Exodus 14 5-end
	John 20 1-18	John 20 11-23
18th Easter 1	1 Cor 15 53-end	Isaiah 51 1-16
	John 6 32-40	John 20 24-end
25th Easter 2	1 Peter 5 1-11	Isaiah 25 1-9
	John 10 7-16	Luke 24 13-35
MAY		
2nd Easter 3	Col 3 1-11	Num 13 1-2, 17-end
	John 11 17-27	John 21 1-14
9th Easter 4	2 Cor 4 13-5.5	Isaiah 62
	John 14 21-26	John 21 15-end
Sunday Themes		

Paim Sunday	The way of the Cross
Easter Day	

The Bread of Life Easter 1 Easter 2 The Good Shepherd Easter 3

The Resurrection and the Life

Easter 4 The Way, the Truth and the Life

St. John the Baptist, Wickhamford

4th Palm Sunday	9.30 am The Eucharist
8th Maundy Thursday	9.00 am The Eucharist
9th Good Friday	11.00 am Matins
11th EASTER DAY	9.30 am The Eucharist
18th Easter 1	9.30 am The Eucharist
25th Easter 2	11.00 am Children's Family Service
	Lesson: Luke 6 46 - 49
MAY	
2nd Easter 3	9.30 am The Eucharist
9th Easter 4	9.30 am The Eucharist

PARISH REGISTERS

BADSEY

Baptisms 7th March

Hannah Louise Davies of 'Ivanhoe', Birmingham Road, Blackminster.

Funeral & Cremation (at Cheltenham)

2nd March Frank Stanley Chamberlain aged 74 years 19th March Francis Henry Sandford aged 79 years

WICKHAMFORD

Cremation (at Worcester)

4th March Ernest George Hall aged 73 years

Donations — Badsey Church

Anonymous Donation towards Church Funds — £25

From Mr. T. Sparrow towards the Bell Ringing Funds, in appreciation of ringing for Mr & Mrs Sparrows Golden Wedding Anniversary.

EASTER DECORATIONS — BADSEY CHURCH

Gifts of flowers and offers of help with the Easter Decorations will be most welcome at Badsey Church from 9.30 am onwards on Easter Eve, Saturday, April 10th. 3rd

Donations towards the cost of the Easter Lilies will be equally welcome and may be given either direct to Mrs. Marjorie Perkins or to the Vicar.

INTERCESSIONS — St James' Church, Badsey

Prayers are offered regularly in Badsey Church for the sick of the parish or those in any kind of need.

Names for inclusion in our intercessions may be given at any time to the Vicar, to Mrs. Betty Owen, 18 Seward Road, Ev. 832552, Mrs. Daphne Bell, 29 High Street, Ev. 830459, Mrs. Joan Harman, 37 Synehurst, or added to the lists displayed in the Church. 6

For your	Diaries —	Future Events — St James' Badsey
Friday	April 30th	Vicarage — At Home
Friday	May 7th	Coffee Evening in aid of Flower Festival
-		Mr & Mrs R.D.H. Seaman, 31 High Street.
Friday	May 21st	Coffee Evening in aid of Overseas
	-	Miss N. Smith, Stone Cottage, Chapel Street.
Saturday	May 29th	Cheese and Wine Evening
·	·	Mr & Mrs.P.Tucker, Field Cottage, Mill Lane.
Saturday	May 29th)	,
Sunday	May 30th)-	-FLOWER FESTIVAL
Monday	May 31st)	
Wednesday	June 23rd	Garden Party
_		Mr & Mrs.F.Betteridge, Byways, Chapel St.
Friday	July 16th	Coffee Evening / Garden Party
		Mr.G.Willcox, 7 Chestnut Close, Aldington.
Sunday	July 25th	Patronal Festival
Saturday	July 31st	Badsey Flower Show
Friday	Aug. 20th	Manor Garden Party
Saturday	Sept.11th	Church Fete
Saturday	Oct. 2nd	Concert in Church. Miss T. Skitt.
Friday	Oct. 8th	Harvest Supper - Folk Dancing & Fancy Dress

MOTHER'S UNION

April 6th	Tuesday	7.30 pm HOLY WEEK EVENSONG
		We join with a parish service followed with
		tea and biscuits and business in transcept.
NOTE: NO	MEETING	on APRIL 13th — EASTER TUESDAY
April 7th	Wednesday	10.00 am CORPORATE COMMUNION
April 16th	Friday	7.00 pm to 8.30 pm RUMMAGE SALE
		in Remembrance Hall.
April 27th	Tuesday	7.30 pm Talk and Discussions on 'INCREASE
_	-	YOUR FAITH' (any parishioner interested invited).
		Daphne Bell.

Badsey Women's Institute

At the meeting on March 10th Mr. Wardroper from the D.H.S.S. gave a talk on Supplementary Benefits. Many questions were asked, and a lively discussion took place. In thanking him, Mrs. P. Cole said, that whatever anomalies the service might have, it had removed the fear and stigma of the workhouse which used to hang over the old and poor, and which prevented many old couples from spending their last years together. Our letters to Mr. Spicer, M.P., and to the Agricultural Research Council on the subject of the possible closure of Long Ashton Research Station have been answered, and our protest duly noted. We have been asked once again to provide refreshments for the Flower Show in July, and the members have agreed to do this.

7 E. Seaman (Sec)

BADSEY AND ALDINGTON P.C.C.

At the meeting in the Church on March 16th the Vicar thanked the P.C.C. for their work over the past year which had been a challenging one. In a preview of the accounts for 1980 it was seen that we had managed to meet all our expenses despite fears that we would not do so.

Among the matters discussed was the state of the two oil paintings hanging in the Church and the need to have expert advice on their possible restoration, which would be costly. A full and varied calendar of future events was put forward by the Social Committee and the Appeal Committee, and it is obvious that we shall need the goodwill of the whole Parish to carry out the programme successfully and to raise the money so badly needed for repairs to the fabric and day to day expenses.

Reports were received on the Deanery Synod and Diocesan Synod meetings at which business had concentrated upon the Covenanting proposals between the Church of England, the Methodists and the United Reformed Church. The voting at these meetings had been:

<u>Deanery Synod</u> — House of Clergy For 3: Against 4: Abstentions 1. House of Laity For 19: Against 9: Abstentions 5.

Diocesan Synod - House of Bishops For 1: Against 0: Abstentions 0.

House of Clergy For 54: Against 6: Abstentions 0.

House of Laity For 38: Against 9: Abstentions 0.

Other business included a discussion on the future development of the Churchyard.

Report of Wickhamford P.C.C. — ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

At the Vestry Meeting, Mr. E. Parry and Mr. D.G. Poulter were re-elected Churchwardens for the coming year.

Mrs. J. Slater reported that the Electoral stood at 84 residents and 8 non-resident members, a reduction of 1 since 1980.

The Accounts were a reflection of the effort put in to maintain a healthy balance sheet, especially the Flower Festival and Cream Teas, enabling us to pay our ever increasing quota and running expenses. These amount to about £70 per week, £30 coming from special efforts. £177 was donated to our various charities over the year.

In his review of the main events of the year, the Vicar thanked all office holders for the thorough way they had helped to make it a happy and successful one.

In discussion it was hoped to involve the younger church members in Services to encourage their interest and help to maintain a 'family' involvement. It was suggested that the fourth Sunday Service in April would have this aim.

Badsey Wives

On April 5th we are meeting at Wilma Days in Pershore for a talk on Health and Beauty, to get us in trim for April 19th when we will be having a talk on holidays by the Travel Centre.

On April 24th we are holding a Jumble Sale at 2 o'clock at the Remembrance Hall. A chance to sort out your wardrobe and find yourself a swimsuit for May 17th when we will be meeting at the Hall and then on to Evesham Pool.

W. A. Fray.

Sixty Plus Club

Next meeting - April 21st. An afternoon outing (mystery tour) has been arranged for Wednesday April 28th. This is free to members, in lieu of Christmas tea, which was cancelled due to the snow.

Coach will leave at 2.00 p.m. Last months usual raffle was won by Mrs.Dyke. At this meeting we were entertained by Mr. Trevor Jones and the Littleton Womens Institute Choir.

Badsey Guides

I would like to thank everyone who supported the coffee morning held at my house. We raised the sum of £30 which will help the girls buy new equipment.

Sandra Cudd.

Wickhamford Senior Residents

A Rummage Sale will be held in the Sports Club on Saturday April 17th at 2.30 p.m.

Contributions of rummage will be gratefully received by the Post Office.

Everybody Welcome.

Wickhamford Gardening Club

The March Meeting of the Club was very well attended on Wednesday the 3rd, when we were pleased again to welcome more new members, our numbers having now reached well past the 50 mark.

The meeting was addressed by Mr. G.R. Harrison of Hatton, in place of his wife who was indisposed, the subject being "The Wild Life in Your Garden", illustrated by some excellent slides, which showed that the Wild Life included not only bird and animal life, but wild flowers (sometimes erroneously called Weeds!) as well. A greatly enjoyed evening.

A number of our members are now looking forward to our forthcoming trip to the "Floriade" and other points of interest in Holland.

R. G. Clegg (Secretary)