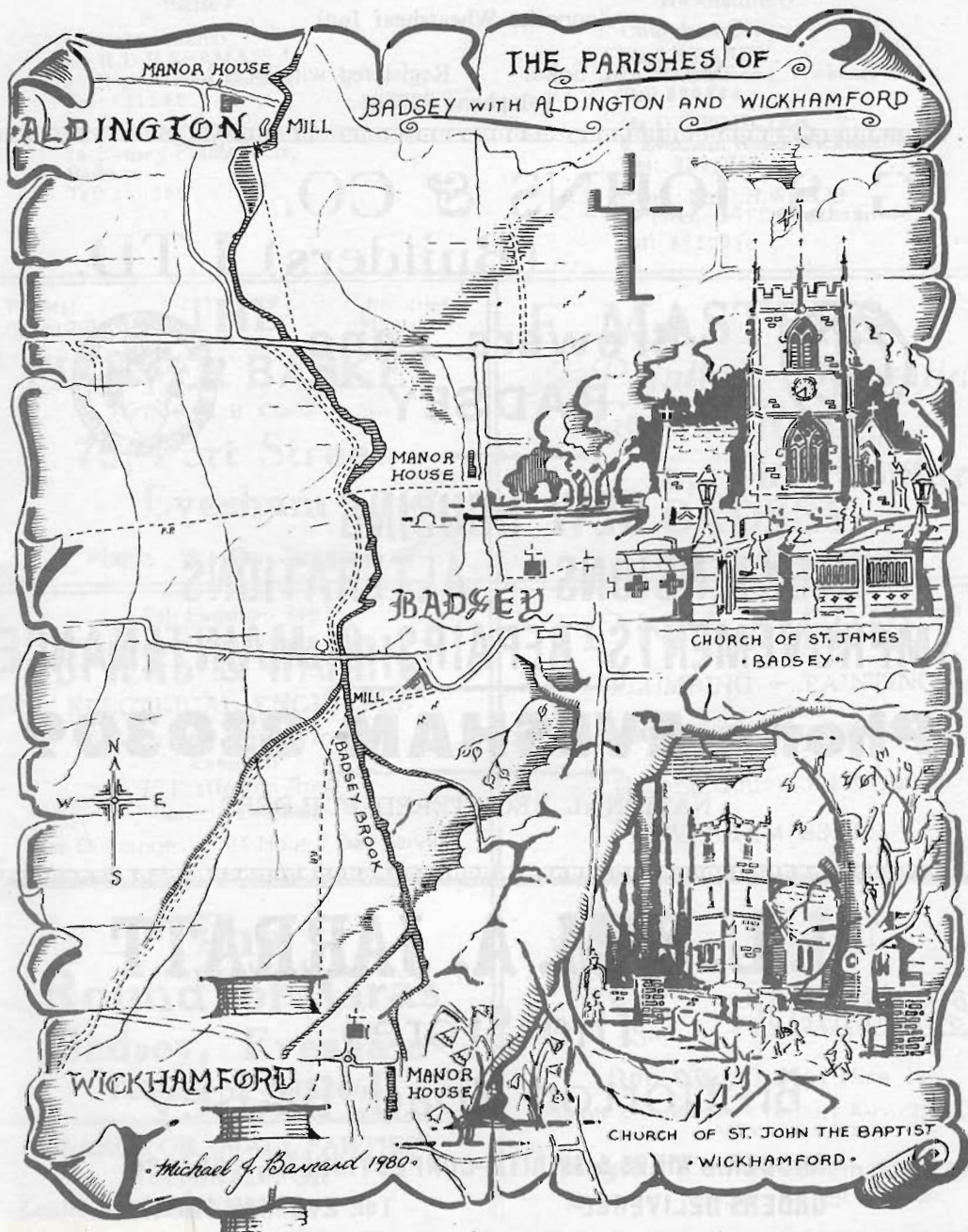


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THE VICAR'S LETTER

March 1984

My dear Friends,

Lent 1984

I would like to draw your attention to the five Lent Lectures to be given this year by the Bishop of Worcester in the Arts Centre Evesham, details of which appear elsewhere in the Review. The diary of a Diocesan Bishop is no less busy than many of ours, and we are very fortunate indeed to have our Bishop come to Evesham for these lectures. It is to be hoped they will be very well supported by all committed Christians from both parishes. We are equally grateful to Canon Bertie Webb, Vicar of Evesham, for having arranged them.

Lent traditionally is the season of the church's year when we try to recapture something of the spiritual dimension to our lives; when we try to devote a little more time to our spiritual growth and development both as christians and as the church. It is when we turn away, albeit very briefly, from the many activities and commitments that so fill our lives for the remainder of the year to spend a little more time with the Lord. It commemorates the season when our Lord himself was driven by the Spirit into the wilderness, there to search out and discover the true nature of his ministry and calling. To wrestle and to find the way in which he would present the gospel of the kingdom of heaven to the people. A task no less easy in his day than in ours. The gulf between the present moral, spiritual and material ways of the world and the way of the Christian seems to become only wider. At this another Lenten season, let us turn back again to Jesus, the one who as Saviour of the world came to seek and to save that which was lost, and find with him, new ways to bridge the gap, and make his love and the transforming power of his gospel known and relevant to the needs of people today.

Your sincere Friend and Vicar,

PETER MITCHELL.

CHURCH SERVICES - MARCH

St. James, Badsey

4th 7 before Easter	11.00 am The Eucharist (Rite B)	6.30 pm Evensong
7th Ash Wednesday	10.00 am The Eucharist (Rite B)	7.00 pm Evensong & Litany
11th 1 in Lent	8.00 am The Eucharist (Rite B)	6.30 pm Evensong
14th Wednesday	10.00 am The Eucharist (Rite B)	
18th 2 in Lent	11.00 am The Eucharist (Rite A)	6.30 pm Evensong
21st Wednesday	10.00 am The Eucharist (Rite A)	
24th Saturday The Annunciation	8.00 am The Eucharist (Rite A)	
25th 3 in Lent	8.00 am The Eucharist (Rite A)	6.30 pm Eucharist (Rite A)

APRIL

1st 4 in Lent	11.00 am Special Mothering Sunday Service	6.30 pm Evensong
4th Wednesday	10.00 am The Eucharist (Rite A)	
8th 5 in Lent	8.00 am The Eucharist (Rite B)	6.30 pm Evensong
11th Wednesday	10.00 am The Eucharist (Rite A)	
15th Palm Sunday	11.00 am The Eucharist (Rite A)	6.30 pm Evensong

Lectionary

4th 7 before Easter	Colossians 1 18-23 John 8 v 2-11	Hosea 14 Philemon
7th Ash Wednesday	James 4 v 1-10 Luke 18 v 9-14	
11th 1 in Lent	Hebrews 4 v 12-end Luke 4 v 1-13	Deut 30 v 11-end Hebrews 2 5-end
18th 2 in Lent	1 Peter 3 1-7 Matt 1 18-end	Hosea 11 Matthew 2 v 13-end
25th 3 in Lent	1 Peter 2 19-end Matt 16 13-end	
APRIL		
1st 4 in Lent	2 Peter 1 16-19 Matt 17 1-13	Exod 34 1-5,29-end 2 Corinthians 3
8th 5 in Lent	Hebrews 9 v 11-14 Mark 10 v 32-45	Isaiah 63 1-16 John 12 20-30a
15th Palm Sunday	Phil 2 5-11 Mark 14 32-15.41	Isaiah 5 1-7 Mark 12 1-12

Sunday Themes

7 before Easter	Christ the Friend of Sinners
1 in Lent	The King and the Kingdom : Temptation
2 in Lent	The King and the Kingdom : Conflict
3 in Lent	The King and the Kingdom : Suffering
4 in Lent	The King and the Kingdom : Transfiguration
5 in Lent	The King and the Kingdom : The Victory of the Cross
Palm Sunday	The Day of the Cross

St. John the Baptist, Wickhamford

4th 7 before Easter	9.30 am	The Eucharist
7th Ash Wednesday	9.00 am	The Eucharist
11th 1 in Lent	9.30 am	The Eucharist
18th 2 in Lent	9.30 am	The Eucharist
25th 3 in Lent	11.00 am	Children's Service

APRIL

1st 4 in Lent	9.30 am	The Eucharist
8th 5 in Lent	9.30 am	The Eucharist
15th Palm Sunday	9.30 am	The Eucharist

The Bishop of Worcester's Lent Lectures

The Bishop of Worcester has very kindly agreed to give a series of five Lent Lectures at the Arts Centre, Evesham, during Lent 1984. The Lectures will be held on the following days, all at 7.30 pm.

Wednesday, 14th March	'Can I believe in the Christian's God'
Wednesday, 21st March	'That's the Spirit - in the Church and in the World'
Wednesday, 28th March	'Does the Bible speak'
Tuesday, 3rd April	'Journeying on'
Wednesday, 11th April	'Is there a Christian attitude to present-day conditions?'

There will be opportunity for questions. No admission charge, but retiring collections to cover expenses.

Lifts can be arranged in private cars.

Parishioners in Badsey please contact Mr. R.D.H. Seaman, Mr. A.O. Owen or the Vicar. In Wickhamford please contact Mr. T. Edlington.

NOTES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Tuesday, March 13th, Badsey PCC - 7.30 pm

Wednesday, March 14th, Wickhamford AVM & AGM - 7.30 pm
Wickhamford Memorial Hall

Thursday, March 15th, Floral Festival Meeting - 7.30 pm
Wickhamford Church

Tuesday, March 27th, Mothers Union Deanery Festival - 7.30 pm
Hampton

Tuesday, April 10th, Badsey AVM & AGM - 7.30 pm

Preparation of the new Church Electoral Roll - Badsey

The preparation of the new Church Electoral Roll for Badsey will take place on Wednesday, 21st March. New application forms will be available in the church and from the Electoral Roll Officer, Miss Linda Core, from the 10th February onwards. Completed forms must be returned by Tuesday, 20th March at the latest and the new Roll will be published prior to 27th March.

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms: Jesus said "Suffer the little children to come unto Me"

Badsey

12th February Ivy Lorraine Smith of 8 Synehurst, Badsey

Weddings: "Those whom God has joined together let no man put asunder"

Badsey

28th January John Michael Hardman and Anne Wheatley

Funerals: "Blessed are those who die in the Lord"

Badsey

31st January Tomas Hardwick, aged 77 years of 24 Horsebridge Avenue (at Badsey & Cheltenham)

Wickhamford

2nd February Elsie Jane Walters, aged 96 years of 6 Manor Road (at Wickhamford)

10th February William Reginald Thomas of 17 Sandys Avenue (Cremation at Worcester)

DONATIONS

Badsey

From Mr. K. W. Wiggins of Poolbrook, Malvern, £10 towards church funds.

MOTHERS UNION

Our party on January 24th seemed to go very well and congratulations are due to all the members who entered the competition for the "Trampiest Tramp". The response was terrific, most ingenious and caused tremendous amusement. Some members were quite unrecognizable! The Vicar was asked to choose the winner and he afterwards confessed to being bewildered by so many excellent costumes. Because of the high standard three were chosen, Mrs. K. Cleaver took first place, Mrs. E. Seaman second and Mrs. D. Bell third. After supper we enjoyed some hilarious entertainment. Our grateful thanks to Mrs. D. Bell, "The Amerchewers" (consisting of Mrs. D. Moore, Mrs. K. Cleaver and Mrs. H. Byrd), the Vicar and Mr. R. Allard, they really made the evening for us. On yet another occasion our thanks to our faithful committee for all their work.

Mrs. D. Sainsbury was our speaker for our afternoon meeting in February. Her talk was entitled "Food for Thought" and she did, indeed, provide us with food for thought. Mrs. Sainsbury is a vegetarian and asked "Why kill to eat?" She said she was not seeking to convert us and went on to tell us how she and her husband had decided to become vegetarians whilst living in South America where the meat available was not very palatable. Also that it had been a gradual process over a period of about four years. Apparently, too hasty a change usually results in reversion to former eating habits. She had brought various products to show us and lots of recipe books. There seems no doubt a vegetarian diet is very healthy and tasty and the recipes looked inviting. Whilst some members were intrigued others felt it was not for them, but we all found the talk interesting and informative. Afterwards we enjoyed refreshments. Again, our thanks to the members who provided them.

For Your Diaries

Wednesday, 7th March 10.00 a.m. Corporate Communion

Thursday, 8th March 2.30 p.m. Committee Meeting, 35 Willersey Road

Tuesday, 13th March 2.30 p.m. A.G.M.

Tuesday 27th March 7.30 p.m. at Hampton - Deanery Festival

Transport to be arranged

Saturday 31st March 9.30 a.m. In the Transept, to prepare Mothering Sunday Posies. Helpers and gifts of flowers would be appreciated. (We were a little short of both last year!)

Sunday, 1st April, 11.00 a.m. Mothering Sunday Service. We hope as many members as possible will be able to attend.

Tuesday, 3rd April, 7.30 p.m. at Offenham - Quiet Evening

Transport to be arranged

Pat Mitchell.

BADSEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our annual party held on 31st January was a huge success. Mr. David Ward our entertainer for the evening was superb and caused many a flutter among the ladies, especially Mrs. Helm, who celebrated her eightieth birthday on the same day. Miss Gant had much pleasure in presenting her with a floral arrangement from her fellow members. Mr & Mrs Mustoe, once again did us very proud with a lovely buffet and Mrs Hilda Stewart once again provided us with some of her delicious mince pies served hot with our coffee.

Our February meeting gave us Mr Day from Pershore College of Horticulture as our speaker. He gave a very interesting talk on 'Caring For Your Houseplants' and was bombarded with questions on this subject. He also judged our bowl of bulbs competition which was won by Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Corbett won the cup for the best 'Colour and Shading' of bulbs. Mrs Joyce Handy then demonstrated some Keep Fit exercises which some of the more energetic members tried, with much puffing and panting.

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Diane Johnston as a member of our W.I., and would be pleased to welcome anyone who would like to visit us and perhaps like us enough to join. We meet every second Wednesday of the month at the Remembrance Hall, Badsey, at 7.15 p.m.

Next meeting on Wednesday, March 14th, we will be given a talk on 'Nuclear Energy in the Home'. Social Time will be 'Do You Know Evesham', and the competition is for Hand Written Jerusalem.

Y.M.Haynes (Secretary)

BADSEY WIVES

We have a Coffee Morning with a Bring & Buy Stall to be held at Joyce's on the 16th March. There will be some more coffee mornings still to be arranged.

Our next meeting will be on February 20th, this will take the form of a Skittles Match at the Hobnails at Toddington.

We meet again on the 5th March, when Mrs. Rosalie Merrett will talk to us about D.I.Y. in the home.

Mr & Mrs Cole have agreed to visit us on the 19th March with their very interesting collection of old glass bottles.

Our first meeting in April will be on Monday 2nd, when Badsey Butchers have agreed to talk to us about the different cuts and uses of meat etc.

All are welcome.

Fiona Earle.

SIXTY PLUS CLUB

Next meeting March 21st when Mrs R Edlington, S.R.N., will talk to the Club about 'Health and Caring'.

Last month's raffle winner was Mrs Harman.

Our thanks to Mr Callaghan for his interesting talk and slides.

Our congratulations and good wishes to Mr & Mrs Bott on celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary and to Mrs Dyke on her 90th birthday.

From APRIL ONWARDS we shall meet on the FIRST Wednesday each month, instead of the third one.

OVERSEAS COMMITTEE

Please make a note in your diary —

It is hoped to hold a Coffee Evening on Friday, 25th May, 1984, at the home of Miss Norah Smith in Chapel Street, in aid of the work of the Church Overseas. We look forward to meeting our many friends who support this worthy cause and to enjoying a pleasant social evening.

A.V.C.O.

CHURCH ARMY BOXES — BADSEY

The amount raised from the Church Army Boxes during 1983 was £48.50. This was an increase of £16 on the amount for the previous year. Very grateful thanks are due to all concerned.

P.D.M.

WICKHAMFORD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Mr. P O'Brian was the speaker at the February meeting and gave an interesting talk on Butterflies and Moths. He was thanked by Mrs. D. King.

The monthly parcel was won by Mrs. P. Locke, monthly competition by Mrs. B. Bowles and flower-from-your-garden by Mrs. T. Shannon-Garvey.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. J. Tweney, Mrs. A. Waldron and Mrs. J. Hawtin.

A sum of £20 has been sent to St. Richards Hospice, Worcester, the proceeds from Carol Singing in the village.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, 8th March, when Mr. G. Lowe will talk on Photography. The competition at this meeting will be 'A Photograph of a Child, taken by the entrant'. We look forward to seeing you.

COME AND SEE OUR COMMUNITY QUILT!

Wickhamford W.I. Craft Group are having a COFFEE EVENING on Thursday, 29th March, at WICKHAMFORD MEMORIAL HALL 7 — 9 p.m. Admission 20p including coffee and biscuits.

Cake Stall. Raffle. Everyone welcome.

Since November, 20 W.I. members have been embroidering a "Community Quilt" based on a farm design. Before it is sent away to Denman College, we invite our local community to come and see it.

WICKHAMFORD GARDENING CLUB

The next meeting will be on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7th (not March 2nd as stated in Membership Card) The speaker will be Mr Doel of the M.E.B. on the subject of Electrical Usage in Garden and Greenhouse. Competition - 3 Flowering Bulbs in Bowl. Questions for the 3 Club Meeting on April 4th should be handed in to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Clegg, before or at the March Meeting.

Outing to International Garden Festival, Merseyside, on June 9th. A few seats are still available on the coach. Anyone interested please contact Mr. Clegg at 28 Pitchers Hill. Telephone 831291.

W. Holland.