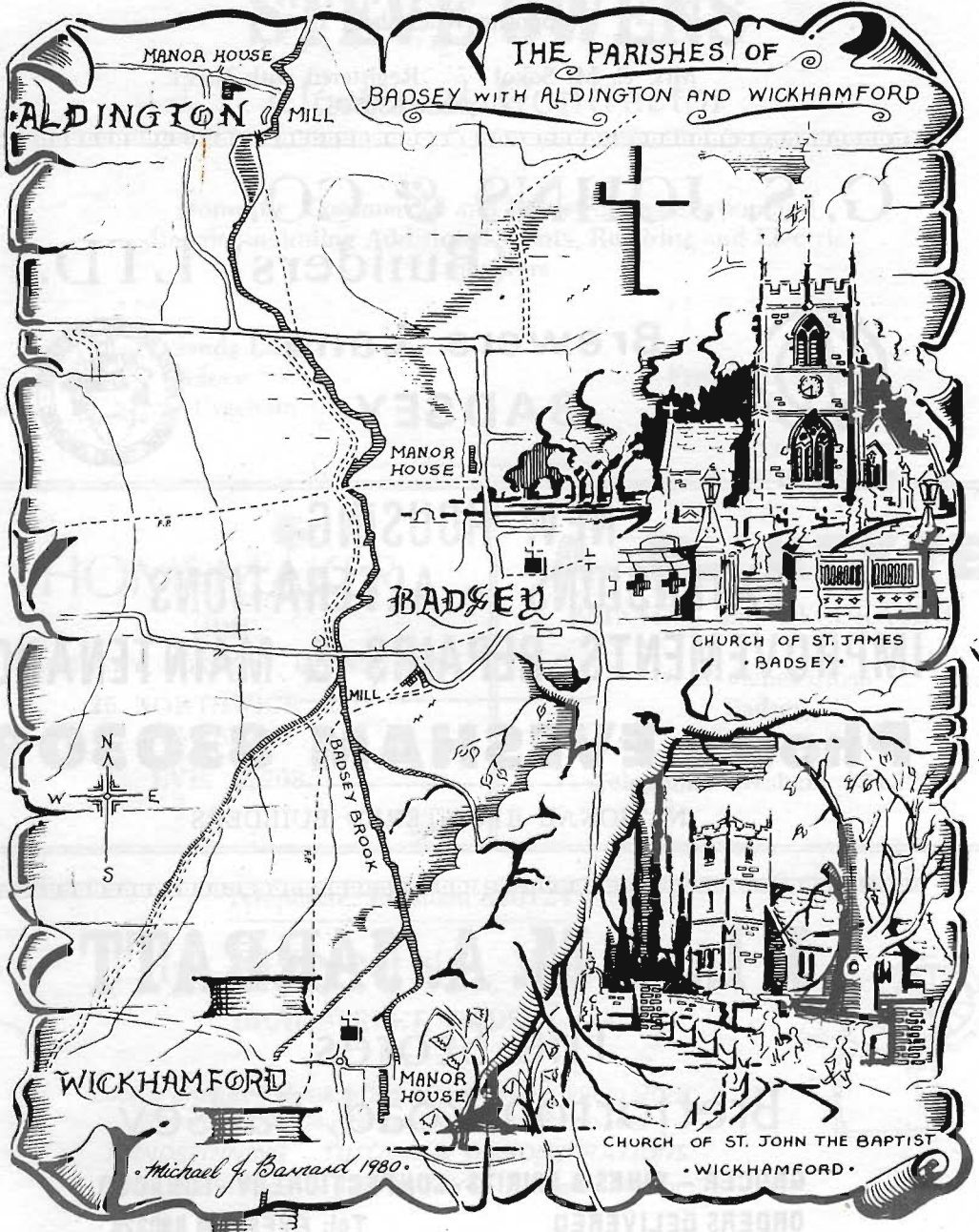


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THE VICAR'S LETTER

June 1986

My dear Friends,

During the last three weeks we have lived through the worst nuclear accident seen so far. For the people of Soviet Russia it has been said the consequences could be with them and their children for forty years or more. No one can be certain and it seems very unlikely we shall ever be told. In the circumstances it is perhaps just as well. Other parts of Eastern Europe might be affected, economically, if in no other way. At one point in the crisis, on Thursday, 8th May, Ascension Day, of all days, both the evening television news bulletins carried reports of further danger from the stricken reactor. Danger, that if it were to get out of control, could, and I quote the word used, have 'apocalyptic' consequences, certainly for areas of Eastern Europe, if not Western Europe as well. As I listened to these broadcasts, (which happily, were set in a more reassuring context the next day, when the experts from the International Atomic Energy Agency had given their opinions) I nevertheless wondered what would happen if we were suddenly faced with a disaster of such magnitude. Where would our faith be then? As a nation, and as a church, would we discover a faith, strong and resolute, able to see us through the gravest crisis, or would we be found wanting? Would the locust years have taken their toll? Could our society withstand the moral, social and spiritual pressures to which it would undoubtedly be subject, or would it disintegrate under the strain? Suddenly it seemed as though the hour of judgement had struck. What have we really been doing as a nation and a church for the past twenty to thirty years? Have we been pursuing the things that really matter, the things of God, or have we been seeking after something less, merely the things of man?

These are questions to which we shall never know the answers unless such a crisis actually occurs. Pray God it never will.

But if it were to happen, there is one thing of which we can be assured. It will be in God, and only in God, we shall find and be given the strength, the courage and the fortitude to face whatever ensues. For man will have failed, abysmally and catastrophically.

I would like to close with the words of a hymn based upon the German of J. Neander. They were written sometime between 1650 and 1680 and contain a similar spirituality to the Book of Common Prayer. In recent years they have been included in One Hundred Hymns for Today, and the New Standard Edition of Hymns Ancient and Modern.

“All my hope in 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,
called my heart to be his own.

Still from man to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done
high above all praises praising,
for the gift of Christ his Son,
Christ doth call
one and all
ye who follow shall not fall”

May God bless you all
Your sincere Friend and Vicar,

Peter Mitchell

CHURCH SERVICES - JUNE

St. James', Badsey

1st 2 after Pentecost	11.00 am	Sung Eucharist	6.30 pm	Evensong
8th 3 after Pentecost	8.00 am	Holy Communion	6.30 pm	Evensong
15th 4 after Pentecost	11.00 am	Sung Eucharist	6.30 pm	Evensong
22nd 5 after Pentecost	8.00 am	Holy Communion	6.30 pm	Sung Eucharist
24th Birth of St. John the Baptist	9.00 am	Holy Communion		
29th St. Peter, Apostle	8.00 am	Holy Communion	6.30 pm	Evensong

July
3rd St. Thomas 9.00 am Holy Communion
Apostle

6th 7 after Pentecost 11.00 am Sung Eucharist 6.30 pm Evensong
13th 8 after Pentecost 8.00 am Holy Communion 6.30 pm Evensong

Mid Week Communion - Wednesdays, 10.00 am

St. John the Baptist, Wickhamford

1st 2 after Pentecost 9.30 am The Eucharist
8th 3 after Pentecost 9.30 am The Eucharist
15th 4 after Pentecost 9.30 am The Eucharist
22nd Birth of St. John 11.00 am The Eucharist
the Baptist (transposed
from 24th) Patronal
Festival

29th St. Peter, Apostle 6.30 pm The Eucharist and Confirmation
The Bishop of Worcester

July
6th 7 after Pentecost 9.30 am The Eucharist
13th 8 after Pentecost 9.30 am The Eucharist

Evesham Deanery Mothers' Union Deanery Festival - St James' Church,
Badsey Wednesday - 4th June - 7.30 pm.

Lectionary

1st 2 after Pentecost	Acts 2 37-end Luke 14 15-24	Exodus 19 1-11 I Peter 2 1-10
8th 3 after Pentecost	Acts 4 8-12 Luke 8 41-end	Deut. 6 10-end Acts 23 11-24
15th 4 after Pentecost	Acts 8 26-38 Luke 15 1-10	Deut. 7 1-11 John 15 12-end
22nd 5 after Pentecost	Acts 11 4-18 Luke 10 1 12	Exodus 20 1-20 Matthew 19 16-end
Wickhamford	Acts 13 16-26 Luke 1 57-60, 80	
29th	I Peter 2 19-end Matthew 16 13-20	Ezekiel 34 11-16 John 21 15-22

July
6th 7 after Pentecost Romans 8 1-11 Hosea 11 1-9
Mark 12 28-34 I Cor. 12.27-13.end
13th 8 after Pentecost I Cor. 12 4-13 Exodus 35.20-36.7
Luke 6 27-38 I Cor. 14 1-19

Sunday Themes

2 after Pentecost	The Church's Unity and Fellowship
3 after Pentecost	The Church's Confidence in Christ
4 after Pentecost	The Church's Mission to the Individual
5 after Pentecost	The Church's Mission to All Men
6 after Pentecost	- St Peter the Apostle and The New Man
7 after Pentecost	The More Excellent Way
8 after Pentecost	The Fruit of the Spirit

PARISH REGISTERS

Funerals Jesus said, "I am the Resurrection and the Life"

Badsey

15th May Hilda Alice Embleton of South Hayes Nursing Home,
Worcester aged 83 years (at Worcester).

DONATIONS

Badsey

in memory of Iris May Kyte - to church funds - £85.50
in memory of Alice and Philip Brailsford, by Mrs M.K. Cleaver
- £10 towards church funds.
from the estate of the late Robert Frederick Sears, - £500
for the general purposes of the church.

Badsey Church Fete - June 14th

P.C.C. Bottle Stall - Gifts for the PCC Bottle Stall will be very welcome
and should be given to Mrs Marjorie Perkins, Mrs Maureen Davies or Mrs
Chris Print.

Thank you.

Gifts for the Raffle will be equally welcome and should be given to Mrs
Win Skitt.

NOTES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Wed. June 4th	MU Deanery Festival - 7.30 pm Badsey Church
Wed. June 11th	Badsey Standing Committee - 10 School Lane - 8 pm. (please note later time)
Sat. June 14th	Badsey Church Fete - Badsey School - 2.30 pm
Tue. July 1st	Badsey PCC
Wed. July 30th	Wickhamford PCC (please note change of date from 9th)

July Parish Review - latest date for copy - Wednesday 18th June please.

MOTHERS UNION

Our members, friends and Hampton members travelled by coach to the Diocesan Festival at Worcester Cathedral on May 7th. The Service could be described as "modern". "Christ our Light" was its theme. A very good address by the Bishop of Gloucester gave an interesting background to Mary Sumner and the beginnings of the Mothers Union. The Service closed very effectively with the lighting of candles in the hands of members on either side of the aisle.

For Your Diaries

Wed. 4th June	10.00 am Corporate Communion
Wed. 4th June	7.30 pm Deanery Festival at St. James' Badsey Refreshments in the School
Tues. 10th June	1.30 pm at Lych Gate. Outing to Birmingham Botanical Gardens
Sat. 14th June	2.30 pm Fancy Goods Stall at Church Fete
Tues 24th June	7.30 pm "Visit to Australia" - Mrs D. Pagnamenta Pat Mitchell

BADSEY W.I.

At our May meeting W.I. Business was the order of the evening with Mrs Roberts our guest V.C.O. speaker going through the 1986 resolutions with us. These all created a lot of discussion. We all agreed to instruct Mrs W. Smith, our delegate at the A.G.M., to vote in favour of all four resolutions. Mrs E. Seaman thanked Mrs Roberts for guiding us through these resolutions.

Mrs W. Smith is holding a Cheese and Wine Party at her home on Tuesday 17th June in aid of the Denman College Appeal, tickets will be £1.50.

The members and committee will be entering a float in the Badsey Carnival and also the Evesham Round Table Carnival.

Monthly Raffle was won by Mrs H. Stewart.

The competition which was for a dish of homemade sweets was won by Mrs C. Print, second place Mrs P. Hales.

Next months meeting is Mr. Chitty from Lloyds Bank, competition will be for the prettiest Thimble.

New members and visitors are always welcome, we meet second Wednesday in the month at the Village Hall, meeting starts at 7.15 pm.

Barbara Bennett

BADSEY WIVES

Our next meeting is on the 5th June instead of the 2nd June, when we are to play a skittles match at Long Marston.

16th June "Beewell" will give a talk on Health Foods.

Wendy Beasley has a coffee evening 10th June. Everyone welcome.

Our first meeting in July is on the 7th and has yet to be arranged.

Wendy Beasley Wendy Clark

BADSEY SIXTY PLUS

The May meeting of the club was very busy. The mini auction was a great success thanks to our humerous and energetic auctioneer, Mr. D. Hartwell. The afternoon raised a sum in excess of £70 which included the raffle of a bottle of wine kindly donated by a member.

There will be no meeting on June 4th but an outing has been arranged to visit Prinknash Abbey. The coach will leave the British Legion Club at 1 pm and will also pick up in Chapel Street. The return time is 6 pm. All seats have been taken but if a member is unable to come would they please notify me in good time to enable me to fill the seat.

The club is running the pantry stall at the Church Fete on June 14th. I would be grateful if you could let me have your goods for the stall well before this date so that I can price them. Please leave them at 7 School Lane at any time of the day. We did very well last year and hopefully we will do so again this year.

The club continues to flourish and it is nice to have our friends from Seward House with us at our meetings.

Mary Callaghan

WICKHAMFORD GARDENING CLUB

A good attendance of members was able to enjoy an extremely interesting and informative talk by Miss E. Stevens. In this she gave a resume of the history of market gardening in the Vale and explained the development of the industry and the evolution of new crops and methods.

Her talk was well illustrated by a series of slides showing the growing, harvesting and packaging of produce, i.e. vegetables herbs and fruit.

Something for everyone to learn and enjoy.

Competition for Spring Blooms: Winners 1. Mrs I Smith, 2 Mrs Greenhalf, 3. Mrs Hale.

Raffle Winners: Mrs Bowles and Mrs Hale.

Next meeting July 2nd - Talk on Iris Growing. Competition Three Roses.

Important Date June 25th. Trip to Stoke Garden Festival. Coach leaves Sandys Arms 8.00 am. Other points by arrangement with Hon. Sec; 852319.

W. Holland

WICKHAMFORD W.I.

Old wartime memories were relived by some members (others being too young to remember!) when Miss Vaudin told of life in Jersey during the German Occupation.

Arrangements were made for a Pot Luck Supper and a village footpath walk.

Mrs E. Evans won the monthly parcel and Mrs B. Bowles provided the best wartime souvenir. The Flower-of-the-Month was won by Mrs. N. Roberts.

Refreshments were provided by Mrs A. Soule, P. Bell and M. Harvey. The evening ended with an Instant Telegrams game organised by the President Hazel Cole. During the evening the trading stall did brisk business selling plants grown by green-fingered members!

Our next meeting is on Thursday 12th June at 7.30 pm at Wickhamford Memorial Hall when Miss Scott will talk about Herbs. Come along for an interesting and entertaining evening at our friendly village W.I.

Pat Bell

WICKHAMFORD CREAM TEAS

These have proved to be a very important part of our fund raising efforts towards meeting an annual expenditure of nearly £1000. Last year £915 came from providing this very popular service. Anyone willing to help by making cakes or giving a little of their time, please contact Mrs Thelma Dunkerley 830395.

WICKHAMFORD SENIOR RESIDENTS

Summer Fair

In the Village Hall on Saturday 7th June at 2.30 pm. Stalls include Cake - Bring & Buy - Tombola - Nearly New Clothes. Come along and enjoy a cup of tea!

We would like to thank the family of the late Mrs Gladys Cox for their donation of £30 for our funds in memory of their Mother.

WICKHAMFORD CONFIRMATION

The Confirmation Service at Wickhamford will take place on Sunday, 29th June, at 6.30 pm within the context of The Eucharist. It will be conducted by the Bishop of Worcester, the Rt Revd Philip Goodrich. This will be Bishop Goodrich's first visit to Wickhamford. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Memorial Hall. There will be no morning service on this Sunday.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK - 1986

Grateful thanks to all who gave and all who collected. Although three roads could not be covered due to lack of collectors the total still exceeded last years by £74.45 and was £412.85. A good result for a very good cause.

Esme' Seaman

Christian Aid Totals: Wickhamford £114.96; Blackminster £14.75;
Aldington £29.71; Badsey £253.43. Total: £412.85.

COFFEE EVENING - BADSEY

Mrs W. Skitt and Mrs C. Print wish to thank all who made the Coffee Evening on the 9th May such a success. £106 was raised towards church funds.

Win Skitt

Chris Print

ST. JAMES' BADSEY with ALDINGTON

CHURCH FETE

SATURDAY 14th JUNE

at

BADSEY FIRST SCHOOL

2.30 pm to 5.00 pm

ENTRANCE	ADULTS	30p
	CHILDREN	10p
	(under 14 years)	

INCLUDING FREE TICKET for LUCKY PROGRAMME PRIZE

ADULT PRIZE: RADIO CASSETTE PLAYER
(value approx. £30)

CHILDREN'S PRIZE: PERSONAL CASSETTE
PLAYER (value approx. £10)