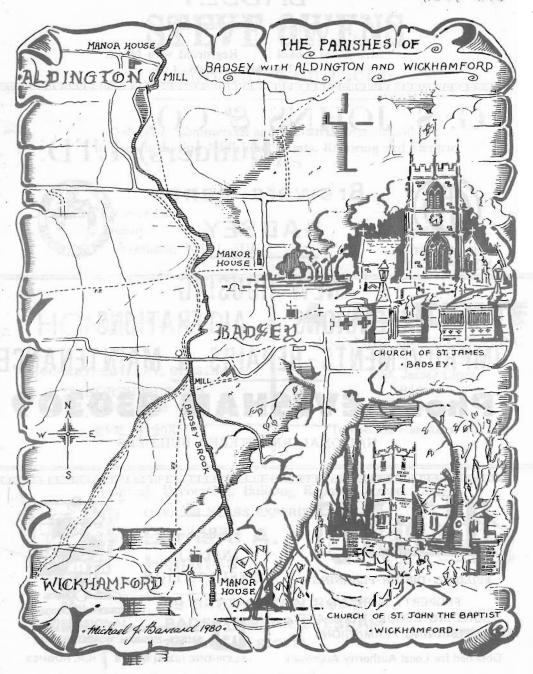
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

May 1988

Dear Friends,

"For the poor will never cease out of the land, therefore I command you, You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and the poor in the land"

Deuteronomy 15.11

Traditionally, the Old Testament book of Deuteronomy from which the above text comes, is a sermon preached by Moses to the people of Israel as they stand on the threshold of the promised land. A land which, we read, the Lord swore to their fathers to give them and to their descendants, a land flowing with milk and honey. A land not like the land of Egypt from which they have come, where they sowed their seed and watered it with their feet like a garden of vegetables; but a land of hills and valleys, which drinks water by the rain from heaven, a land which the Lord their God cares for and whose eyes are always upon it, from the beginning of the year to the end of the year. (Deut. 11 9-12)

Moses is preparing the people of Israel for their new life in the promised land. He is concerned to warn them lest they forget the Lord who brought them out of the land of Egypt. Their time in the wilderness is at an end, but the people are still to remember the way in which the Lord their God led them during the forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble them, testing them to know what was in their hearts whether they would keep his commandments or not. They are to remember how he fed them with manna that they did not know, and the water from the stony rock, that they might know that man does not live by bread alone, but by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the Lord. (Deut. 8 2-3) When the people of Israel enter upon the promised land they must

not forget the Lord their God who brought them out of the land of Egypt or turn and worship other gods instead.

In the form we know it today, the book of Deuteronomy is now believed to be a more composite work written later in the history of Israel and in the light of the peoples' actual experience of life in the promised land. Its purpose is to warn the people against the ease with which they can forget the Lord their God and those who are in need, as they themselves once were. It warns against the external and often insidious influences that living in a land of plenty can bring. So the writer reminds them that the poor will never cease out of the land and that they shall open wide their hand to their brother, the needy and the poor in the land. Jesus himself echoed these same words from Deuteronomy when he said, in St John's Gospel, "The poor you always have with you" (John 12.8)

On April 20th, the Church Urban Fund Appeal was formally launched. Its aim is to provide for the church in the Inner City areas, its mission and ministry to the people of those areas. More of the appeal will be heard in the coming months, and it will be up to us both personally and as a church to make our response to this appeal. It is therefore important to begin by seeing the picture from the right point of view. Not from where we are here in Badsey, or Aldington, or Wickhamford, where the plight of the inner cities seems very far away, nor even from the point of view of the Bishops or Archbishops, but rather from what God sees. From God's point of view. The picture of the Christian Church, his church in one part of the country in great need, and other parts of the Christian Church elsewhere in the same country being asked to help. That all might be part of one church, the Body of Christ, and not divided from each other.

In the letter to the Galatians Paul writes, "Let us do good to all men, and especially to those who are of the household of faith" (Gal. 6-10) and in the 1st Letter of John we read "But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or speech but in deed and in truth" (John 3 17-18)

As Christians and as the Church we shall be judged by the response we make to the appeal. By our fruits we shall be known. Let our response therefore be one of generous giving, in faith and hope and love, for the many blessings we have received and which we desire to share with fellow Christians in very different circumstances to our own.

Your sincere Friend and Vicar,

Peter Mitchell.

CHURCH SERVICES - MAY

St. James', Badsey

1st 4 after Easter 8th 5 after Easter	11.00 am Sung Eucharist 8.00 am Holy Communion	6.30 pm Evensong 6.30 pm Evensong
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14th St. Matthias the Apostle	9.00 am Holy Communion	oeth vabang old I ed manamañ
15th Sunday after Ascension Day	11.00 am Sung Eucharist	6.30 pm Evensong
22nd Pentecost	8.00 am Holy Communion	6.30 pm Sung Eucharist
29th Trinity Sunday June	8.00 am Holy Communion	6.30 pm Celebration Songs of Praise
5th 2 after Pentecost	11.00 am Sung Eucharist	6.30 pm Evensong
11th St. Barnabas the the Apostle	9.00 am Holy Communion	0.50 pm Evensong

12th 3 after Pentecost 8.00 am Holy Communion 6.30 pm Evensong Mid Week Communions: 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th May, 1st & 7th June.

St. John the Baptist, Wickhamford

1st 4 after Easter	9.30 am The Eucharist
8th 5 after Easter	9.30 am The Eucharist
12th Ascension Day	9.00 am The Eucharist
15th Sunday after Ascension Day	9.30 am The Eucharist
22nd Pentecost	11.00 am Childrens & Family Service
29th Trinity Sunday June	9.30 am The Eucharist
5th 2 after Pentecost	9.30 am The Eucharist
12th 3 after Pentecost	9.30 am The Eucharist

Sunday Themes

4 after Easter	The Way, the Truth and the Life
5 after Easter	Going to the Father
Sunday after Ascension	The Ascension of Christ
Pentecost	
Trinity Sunday	
2 after Pentecost	The Church's Unity and Fellowship
3 after Pentecost	The Church's Confidence in Christ

Lectionary

1st 4 after Easter	2 Cor. 4.13-5.5	Isaiah 62
	John 14 1-11	John 21 15-end
8th 5 after Easter	Romans 8 28-end	Hosea 6 1-6
	John 16 12-24	1 Cor. 15 35-end
15th Sunday after	Eph 4 1-13	Daniel 7 9-14
Ascension Day	Luke 24 45-end	Eph 1 15-end
22nd Pentecost	Acts 2 1-21	Ezekiel 37 1-14
	John 14 15-26	Romans 8 18-27
29th Trinity Sunday	Ephesians 1 3-14	Isaiah 40 12-end
	John 14 8-17	Mark 1 1-13
June		A remainder a suffrict
5th 2 after Pentecost	Acts 2 37-end	Exodus 19 1-11
	Luke 14 15-24	1 Peter 2 1-10
12th 3 after Pentecost	Acts 4 8-12	Deut. 6 10-end
	Luke 8 41-end	Acts 23 11-24

PARISH REGISTERS

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

10th April Ashley Anthony Stephenson Owen, son of Geoffrey and Antonia Owen of The Whitehouse, Aldington.

Weddings "God is love, and those who live in love live in God: and God lives in them"

Badsey

4th April David Alan Nash and Karen Tracy Granacki
16th April Richard Gordon Wilks and Maria Denise Walter

Funerals "I am the resurrection and the life" saith the Lord

Badsey

25th March Louisa Biddle of 1 Silk Mills, Badsey, aged 66 years
(at Badsey)
29th March Elsie Connie Jelfs of Seward House, Badsey, aged 85 years
(at Badsey)
18th March Stacey Anne Peplow infant daughter of Joseph and Sharon

Peplow of 42 Horsebridge Avenue, aged 2 days (at Birmingham) - "Safe in the arms of Jesus"

8th April George Henry Biddle of 1 Silk Mills, Badsey aged 64 years (at Badsey)

21st April May Brotherton of 15 Sands Lane, Badsey aged 91 years (at Badsey)

DONATIONS

The Guild of St James' Badsey Bell Ringers wish to acknowledge with sincere gratitude a donation of £30, towards the Guild's Fund, made earlier this year by Mr and Mrs Frank Hemmings, following a Grand Peal rung on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Sincere apologies are also offered that due to an oversight this acknowledgement was not made in an earlier issue of the Review.

PDM

Parish Review - June issue - latest date for copy - Wednesday, 18th May.

NOTES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Friday 6th May Coffee Evening of Mrs C. Print and Mrs Win Skitt at 40 Seward Road, in aid of Church Funds.

Tuesday 10th May Mothers' Union Deanery Spotlight - All Saints

Church, Evesham. 2 pm - 5.15 pm.

Archdeacon's Visitation - St Peter's Bengeworth

7.30 pm.

Wednesday 11th May Wickhamford PCC - Memorial Hall 7.30 pm.

Wednesday 18th May Badsey Pastoral Committee

Thursday 19th May Badsey PCC

Tuesday 24th May Deanery Pastoral Committee - Broadway Vicarage Sunday 29th May Celebration Songs of Praise - Badsey Church, 6.30 pm

Monday 30th May Badsey Thanksgiving Carnival 2 pm

Wednesday 15th June Evesham Deanery Synod - Sedgeberrow Village Hall

- 7.30 pm.

Saturday 18th June St James Badsey Church Fete - Badsey School 2.30 pm

Christian Aid Week

Christian Aid Week this year is from 16th - 22nd May inclusive. Please give generously. As you have freely received, so freely give,

Badsey Churchyard

To preserve the church's right of way through the churchyard, the Lych Gate will be locked on Monday, 4th May for twenty four hours. The High Street entrance will remain open. Any inconvenience caused to parishioners is much regretted.

Celebration Songs of Praise - Badsey Church - 6.30 pm Sunday, 29th May.

There has been a very good response from the village organisations in the choice of hymns for the Celebration Songs of Praise and arrangements for the service are now well in hand. Come and join us and make this a most memorable and joyous occasion.

THE MOTHERS UNION

The Deanery Festival on 23rd March at All Saints Church, Church Lench, was very well attended by our members. The Address was given by the Vicar, the Rev. A. Swann. Following the Service refreshments were served in the Church Hall, which completed a very pleasant and worthwhile deanery occasion.

On 12th April, Mrs Pauline Lewin-Poole, Secretary and Welfare Officer of the Multiple Sclerosis Society in Evesham, gave a very interesting and informative talk on the M.S. Society. She explained the different symptoms and the cross section of people affected by this distressing illness. She herself a sufferer although able to remain active. She told us of the work of the Multiple Sclerosis Society and of the continuing need for research and support for its members. Mrs. Lewin-Poole's telephone number is Evesham 3466 if anyone reading this and affected by M.S. either themselves or in the family would like to contact her.

Would members please note that the Garden Meeting (not to be confused with our garden party in June) is on the 26th July and <u>not</u> on the 28th as shown in our programme.

For Your Diaries

Wed. 4th May	10.00 am	Corporate Communion
Tues 10th May	2.00 pm	- 5.15 pm Spotlight Day, All Saints Church,
		Evesham. Social Concern, Literature, Young
		Families, Overseas Dept., Media Awareness,
		Exhibitions. Crime Prevention - Drug Abuse,
		C.A.B., Balloons for Children, Refreshments.
Tues 24th May	2.30 pm	Committee Meeting at 'Byeways' Chapel St.
Tues 24th May	7.30 pm	Caring for the Carers - Mrs Olive Dukes.
Mon 30th May	2.30 pm	We have a Bathroom Stall at the Carnival at
(Bank Holiday Mon	nday)	the Badsey Recreation Club. Any items for
		the Bathroom gratefully received.
Sat 18th June	2.30 pm	We have the Cake Stall at the Church Fete.
		Do please, ladies, put this in your diaries
		and ask your friends if they will help with
		cakes.

Pat Mitchell

BADSEY W.I.

Members and friends were welcomed to our April meeting by Mrs. Y. Haynes, President.

The speaker for the evening was Mr. Eades, who conducted us on a photographic tour of Europe. The accompanying music provided a very relaxed atmosphere, and we all enjoyed our journey.

The competition was for the most colourful picture of your own garden, and social time naming forms of communication - there are over one hundred!

Members who attended the celebrations for Childswickham W.I's Diamond Jubilee had a very enjoyable evening, and we all wish the Institute every success in the future. Those members who attended the Group Meeting at Broadway also reported a very pleasant and entertaining evening.

The trip to Stratford Theatre to see 'Orpheus and the Underworld' was a very enjoyable evening, and Mrs. W. Smith was thanked for arranging the outing. Another theatre trip is being arranged, this time to Malvern Theatre on Wednesday, 27th April, to see Oscar Wilde's "A Woman of No Importance".

It is requested that when members have expressed a wish to be included in theatre trips, outings and other events where payment is involved, every effort should be made to take part or notify the organiser in good time. Failure to turn up can become an expensive draw on our funds, and where a coach is involved other members have to share the additional cost.

Mrs. Y. Haynes, Mrs. J. Lashford and Mrs. G. Hughes attended the halfyearly Council Meeting at Malvern, and Mrs. Lashford gave an interesting report on the events of the day.

It has been suggested that we form a Craft Group within our Institute, the aim being that members would help each other with their particular choice of craft. Support for this venture is essential.

Badsey W.I. hope to run a stall at the event being organised by the Church for Bank Holiday Monday, 30th May, and also hope to enter a float in Evesham Carnival. Ideas and help would be appreciated.

The May meeting will be the A.G.M. Resolutions to be conducted by Mrs. Y. Haynes. Social time - guessing objects, and the Competition a design on a paper plate.

G.F. Hughes

SIXTY PLUS CLUB

The April meeting was well attended and was a very busy and entertaining afternoon. The mini-auction was lively and raised £45 for club funds. Once again Mrs Skitt was our efficient and humerous auctioneer. She was ably assisted by Mrs Green and Mrs Thomas. A fluffy toy made and given by a member was raffled and raised £9.60. The afternoon ended with a delightful dance routine prepared and performed by Miss Natasha Boon. Her grace and ability impressed us all and we hope it won't be too long before she is able to entertain us again. Natasha is only 12 years old but presents her material with the confidence and expertise of someone much older.

Our next meeting is on May 4th. This will be an outing to Stratford upon

Avon preceded by lunch at The Gate Inn, Honeybourne. The coach will leave Chapel Street at 11.30 am and then make a stop at the British Legion Club. We shall return to Badsey arriving at about 4.45 pm.

Advance notice of our June meeting. This should be an interesting afternoon when a member of the Worcester D.H.S.S. staff will be speaking to us on the new Benefit rules.

The Church Fete this year will be on June 18th and we are planning to run a "Household" stall. All goods for this stall may be given to me at any time or brought along to the June meeting. I am sure you will support our stall generously as you have done in the past and accordingly I thank you in anticipation.

It was nice to see Mrs Betteridge, Mrs Moore and Mrs Sparrow at the April meeting after their illnesses. We hope it will not be too long before our other invalids are able to rejoin us.

Mary Callaghan

BADSEY ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMENS SECTION

At our monthly meeting our chairman Mrs Reeves thanked members for the 12 dozen eggs collected for Evesham Hospital. This is now an annual event. Mrs Syril our President read out the Resolutions which will be brought up at the National Conference, and the delegate to attend was instructed how to vote.

Mr Warne gave an interesting talk on his experiences while serving in the army during the war, and in civilian life looking after the blind and disabled. The competition was an 'Easter Cake' won by Mrs Reeves. The monthly draw an Easter Egg was won by Mrs Lake.

M. Morcombe

MOTHERS UNION DEANERY SPOTLIGHT DAY May 10th 2.15 - 5.15 pm

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, MARKET SQUARE, EVESHAM

COME AND SEE!

DISPLAYS BY MOTHERS UNION BRANCHES IN THE DEANERY, SOCIAL CONCERN, LITERATURE, YOUNG FAMILIES, OVERSEAS DEPT., MEDIA AWARENESS.

by fellow carers:-

CRIME PREVENTION - DRUG ABUSE, CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU. Refreshments, Ballons for the children.

Admission free.

1988 CARNIVAL

To wind up the Church Restoration Appeal we shall be holding a Carnival on the Spring Bank Holiday Monday 30th May. The carnival procession will start from Bretforton Road, near the Round of Gras, at 2 o'clock and will proceed to the Recreation Club in Brewers Lane. All village organisations or individuals are invited to join in, with decorated lorries, cars, bicycles, prams or any other vehicles. At the Recreation Club we shall be having a Car Boot Sale - entries welcomed at £3 per pitch - Tug of War, etc. All village organisations are also invited to run a stall or other activity, from which they may retain the profit for their own funds. If you require any further details please contact Ted Wheatley (830172), Mary Dore (830879) or Terry Sparrow (831207). Please come along to support this event and help us to make it a success.

BADSEY FLOWER SHOW

Following earlier doubts about the future of the Show, we are pleased to say that a new committee has been formed and this year's show will be held on Saturday 30th July at the Recreation Club in Brewers Lane. Further details will be available at a later date. The first Badsey Flower Show was held on 25th July 1888 and we hope that parishioners will give the centenary show their full support.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK MAY 16th - 21st

Once again I am appealing to you for help, and for generous giving. The work of Christian Aid is vital, and never more so than now. Money is not just given to the countries who need it, better than that, help and training are given to help people to help themselves.

- 1. It is used for Agricultural projects, and the teaching of better methods.
- 2. Techical training in skills and trades.
- 3. Training local helpers in community health and in preventive medicine.
- 4. Self help community development and knowledge of their legal rights. Everything in fact which gives hope to the destitute, and a chance to earn their own living and gain back their self respect.

Christian Aid works in this country as well as overseas, something many people do not know.

It is such a worthwhile organisation, and I know you will want to be part of this great work once again.

Thank you.

Esme Seaman.

Fund Raising for Newcastle General Hospital

The above event, held on Thursday March 24th produced the magnificent sum of £328. I think everyone will agree that this is extremely rewarding and I would like to thank sincerely all the willing helpers and also those who came and gave so generously.

Especial thanks to Norah for the use of her cottage and for all her hard work.

I have received a letter from Mr. Bullock, the consultant in charge of the intensive care unit at Newcastle General Hospital, from which I quote - "We were absolutely delighted to receive your most generous donation of £328. We shall be using this towards the purchase of additional equipment to look after patients in the Intensive Care Unit - All the doctors and nurses who work in the Unit send our sincere thanks on behalf of the patients who will benefit from your donation".

And from me a very sincere "Thank you" to everyone concerned.

Kath Green

WICKHAMFORD GARDENING CLUB

The abundance, superb quality and vitality of the colours of the flowers at the Wickhamford Gardening Club Spring Show held on 6th April made for one of the best displays ever.

Mr. Bob Harris judged the flower arrangements entered under the title "The Awakening Year" and the miniatrure arrangements and commented on the various interpretations by exhibitors and points to remember when entering a miniature arrangement. Mr. Albert Wardle and Mr. Colin Hill judged the other eight classes commenting on the excellent standard of the exhibits.

Classes won by the following:

Class 1	Miss Dyke Mrs. Stacey	Class 6		Mrs. Dunkerley Mr. Hadley
Class 2	Mr. Hadley Miss Dyke	Class 7		Mr. Hadley Mrs. Stone
Class 3	 Mrs. Stratton Mrs. Marshall	Class 8		Miss Dyke Mrs. Peberdy
Class 4	 Miss Holland Miss Dyke	Class 9		Mrs. Mallender Mrs. Bird
Class 5	 Mrs. Summer Mrs. Freeman	Class 10	any a	Miss Dyke

The Hills Nurseries Silver Salver was won by Miss J. Dyke for the highest number of points in the Show.

The next meeting of the Gardening Club is on Wednesday 4th May and the Club Competition is 'A collection of 6 Mixed Spring Blooms'. Mr. R. Neath of Pershore College will be giving a talk on vegetable growing.

B. Peberdy

WICKHAMFORD FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The fashion show on April 6th was a great success and thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. We didn't realise the talent we had in our local models. The next meeting is on May 4th when St Egwins School Choir, will entertain us. It should be a most enjoyable afternoon and anyone wishing to come along will be made welcome.

WICKHAMFORD SENIOR RESIDENTS

The coffee morning on Saturday 16th April was well attended and a profit of £141.82 was made. Many thanks to all who contributed and supported us, it was very much appreciated.

WICKHAMFORD W.I.

Our March meeting was very well attended, members were welcomed by Mrs. Harrison the President and the business part of the meeting was swiftly dealt with. Items in the County Newsletter were noted particularly the many outings and courses on offer. Further details of these can be had from Mrs Sheena Beavan. The speaker for the evening was Mrs. Georgina Perry from Aldington, who told us all about the wool industry in The Cotswolds and then gave a short demonstration of spinning, using two different types of spinning wheels. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs. Pat Bell.

The monthly competitions were again well supported, the rapid approach of Spring had brought a good number of entries to 'A flower from the garden' and several members had submitted very pretty entries in 'A decorated hard boiled egg'. The points gained in these competitions now count towards the winning of a set of spoons.

The April meeting was well attended by members and three visitors were welcomed by the President.

Mrs. Jackie Billings gave a demonstration and advice on skin care using as her 'guinea pig' Mrs. Rosemary Hendrick, who also thanked the speaker.

The two competitions were well supported with ten entries in each class. 'The flower from the garden' was won by Mrs. Peggy Hancock and 'A favourite button' was won by Mrs. Adelaide Waldron. Several outings have been arranged by Mrs Sheena Beavan and help was asked for in the staging of an entry in the Home Economics Rally in which we have entered one class.

A competition to name different breeds of horses and cattle was organised by Mrs. Betty Bowles and caused much thought and hilarity. The May meeting will be a discussion on the resolutions to be voted on at the A.G.M. at the Albert Hall, followed by social time.

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