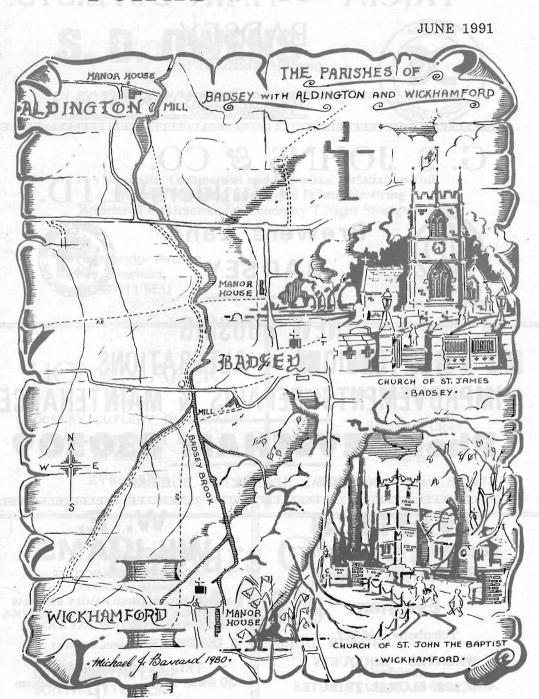
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

June 1991

My dear Friends,

In his enthronement sermon, Archbishop George Carey spoke of the need to remain united as a church even though this may cause us pain. He spoke of martyrdom and how it means to bear ones witness, and how it is used of anyone who tells their story of what God has done for them in Christ. He said how martyrdom is usually messy, often humiliating, and never romantic whatever we may make of it later. He asked, later in his sermon that the church sets above its divisions, the urgency of witnessing to our nation that there is a God who cares and loves all people. He went on, "We shall only be able to do this if we stand together even when decisions are made that cause us terrible pain. Our witness to the God who unites divided humanity is always more important than our pain. This is true witnessing. It helps us to understand why true martyrs, who suffer in order to witness to the God who reconciles, are always a gift and a blessing. For there will be many for whom simply staying in the church may feel as costly as the service of the martyrs I mentioned earlier".

The Church has often been beset by those things which seek to divide it. The movement of the ordination of women to the priesthood is but another in a long line of such issues in the life of the church and no doubt was in the Archbishop's mind as he spoke. There will always be others.

But the primary purpose of the Church is still to bear its

witness to the healing, saving and reconciling power of God's love even in the face of such issues. Even though at times this may be costly and painful. For it is witness such as this that gives love its true value and proves its real worth. It confirms our love and makes it stronger. It was through such witness that Christ entered upon his glory. There will be times when we are called to follow in the same way.

Your sincere Friend and Vicar Peter Mitchell

CHURCH SERVICES - JUNE

2nd	James' Badsey 2 after	11.00 am The Eucharist	6.30 pm
B	Pentecost	(said)	Confirmation and Eucharist by the Bishop of Worcester
9th	3 after Pentecost	08.00 am Holy Communion	6.30 pm Evensong
16th		11.00 am Sung Eucharist	6.30 pm Evensong
23rd		08.00 am Holy Communion	6.30 pm Sung Eucharist
30th		08.00 am Holy Communion	6.30 pm Evensong
3rd	St Thomas the Apostle	10.00 am Holy Communion	
7th	7 after Pentecost	11.00 am Sung Eucharist	6.30 pm Evensong
14th	8 after Pentecost	08.00 am Holy Communion	6.30 pm Evensong

Mid Week Communions: Every Wednesday at 10.00 am
except on 26th June and 10th July
Badsey Sunday School: 11.00 am every Sunday during Term Time
School Lane Playgroup

June			
2nd	2 after	09.30 am The Eucharist	:
	Pentecost		
9th	3 after	09.30 am The Eucharist	Person remembers
	Pentecost		
16th	4 after	09.30 am The Eucharist	
	Pentecost		
23rd	Birth of St John	11.00 am The Eucharist	20世界以外中的
	the Baptist	Patronal Festival	
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July			
7th		09.30 am The Eucharist	
	Pentecost		
14th	8 after	09.30 am The Eucharist	
	Pentecost		
Lect	ionary		
2nd	2 after	1 Peter 2. 1-10	
	Pentecost	John 15, 1-5	
9th		Romans 6. 3-11	Deuteronomy 5. 1-21
	Pentecost	Johns 15. 5-11	
16th	4 after	Gal.3. 23-4.7	
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23rd	Badsey		ItagA 75
	5 after	Eph.5. 1-10	
	Pentecost		
	Wickhamford	THE PROPERTY OF STREET	
	Birth of St John	Acts 13. 16-26	
	the Baptist	Luke 1. 57-66, 80	

	5 after	Eph.5. 1-10	
	Pentecost	Matt.19. 16-26	
	Wickhamford		
	Birth of St John	Acts 13. 16-26	
	the Baptist	Luke 1. 57-66, 80	
30th	6 after	Col.3 12-17	Daniel 1
	Pentecost	Luke 15 11-end	Eph.4. 17-end
July			
7th	7 after	1 Cor.12. 27-13 end	Deut. 10, 12-11.1

Sunday Themes:

14th 8 after

Pentecost

Pentecost

2 after Pentecost, The People of God; 3 after Pentecost, The Life of the Baptized; 4 after Pentecost, The Freedom of the Sons of God; 5 after Pentecost, The New Law; 6 after Pentecost, The New Man; 8 after Pentecost, The Fruit of the Spirit.

Matt.18 21-end

John 15. 16-end

Gal.5. 16-25

Mark 12. 28-end

Isaiah 32. 9-18

1 Cor.12. 1-13a

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms: Jesus said: "Let the little children come to me and do

not stop them, because the Kingdom of God

belongs to such as these"

Badsey:

21 April Scott Alexandra Shuard of 50 Horsebridge

Avenue, Badsey

5 May Norman Leonard Young, Mark Andrew Young,

Karen Marie Young and Mandy Zoe Young of 6

Binyon Close, Badsey

Robert Phillip Severn of 17 Willersey

Road, Badsey

Weddings: "God is love and those who live in love

live in God and God lives in them"

Badsey:

20 April Nicholas Rose and Katherine Jane Seabright

4 May Jonathan Olu Odeniran and Julia Ward
11 May Andrew John Benfield and Rachel Parker

Wickhamford:

27 April Robert Whitfield Thomas Stockwell and

Alison Joan King

18 May Stuart John Rich and

Felicity Grace Dunkerley

Funerals: Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life

whoever believes in me will live even

though he dies"

Badsey:

2 May Ian Stuart Simmonds of 3 Badsey Fields

Lane, Badsey

aged 44 years (at Cheltenham)

7 May Albert William New of 5 Manor Close,

Badsey,

aged 74 years (at Badsey and Cheltenham)

DONATIONS

Badsey: Towards church funds, £20, in memory of her husband,

Arthur Leslie Byrd, and her parents, Mr and Mrs A.T.

Hart, - from Mrs Hilda Byrd.

NOTES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Wed 5 June Mothers' Union Festival, Dudley - please

see MU Notes for further details.

Tue 18 June Evesham Deanery Synod, 7.30 pm

Wickhamford Memorial Hall

Tue 16 July Badsey PCC - 7.30 pm Badsey Church

Wed 17 July Wickhamford PCC - 7.30 pm Memorial Hall

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Wednesday 12th June -

PLEASE NOTE EARLY DATE

BADSEY MU

On 23rd April a large number of members attended the Deanery Festival at Norton. The church was full, and the MU Chaplain for Worcester the Rev. Nick Williams preached a lively and interesting sermon. Tea and biscuits followed, kindly provided by Norton MU.

On Sunday 5th May during Evensong five new members were enrolled. Mrs M Atkinson, Mrs M Davies, Mrs Y Haynes, Mrs K Mallard and Mrs C Print. The Vicar spoke of the work of the MU in his sermon, and it was a happy and encouraging evening.

News of our Members

We extend our love and sympathy to Mr & Mrs J Ives their daughter Frances and her husband George on the sad loss of their baby granddaughter Stella in May. We think of them all, and remember them in our prayers.

Angrily spake the gardener

"Who plucked this flower, one of the rarest in all my garden?". Gently answered the Master

"So dearly did I love it, I chose it for my own"

The coach for the Diocesan Festival at Dudley will be at the Lychgate at 5.30 pm

Dates for your Diaries

Wednesday 5th June 10 am - Corporate Communion also

Wednesday 5th June - Diocesan Festival at Dudley Town Hall, 7.30pm

Tuesday 11th June 7.30 pm - Judy Tarrant -

"Teaching mentally handicapped Adults"

Thursday 20th June 7.30 pm - Quiet Evening at Church Lench Saturday 22nd June 2.30 - Church Fete, (MU Cake Stall)

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BADSEY WI

The May meeting opened with Mrs Cudd (President) welcoming members and friends, and singing of Jerusalem.

This being our AGM Mrs Sue Bearcroft, VCO came to see us through the Resolutions to be put to the Triennial General Meeting at the NEC in June. These ranged from amendments to our own Constitution to requesting more information on what is contained in various medical prescriptions - Paracetamol being contained in many, as well as being a treatment on its own.

Our skittles team was successful against Ashton-under-Hill -

Our skittles team was successful against Ashton-under-Hill-well done ladies.

The annual draw for the Denman College Bursary was made and Mrs Eve Bent will hopefully be attending a course of her choice. Birthday posies were distributed with a special greeting to Mrs Cowley whose birthday was that day.

The social time was a mini-auction amusingly conducted and a complete 'sell-out' due to the efforts of Mrs Yvonne Haynes. A sum around £50 was raised for funds.

The speaker at the June meeting will be talking on the Hospice Movement: social time will be anagrams, and the competition a floral table decoration not to exceed eight inches in diameter. Members were reminded to bring their red and green items for the Church Fete stall.

G F Hughes

SIXTY PLUS CLUB

The May outing to Wychbold Garden Centre was a great success. The weather was good and the Centre itself most interesting. We broke the afternoon with a delicious cream tea and many members came home with plants to remind them of the afternoon. The raffle was won by Mrs P Knight.

The next meeting is on June 5th and begins at 2 pm not 2.30. Blackminster School is coming to entertain us and it should be a very good afternoon. Friends are welcome to join us on this occasion.

PRIOR NOTICE The Summer Buffet this year is on 4th July, Thursday, and will be held at the Royal British Legion Club. Time 7.30 pm to eat at 7.45 pm. The entertainment will be provided by the Inkberrow Ladies Choir. Mrs Dore is our caterer. Names will be taken at the June meeting. Friends will be welcome. There is no charge for members, guests to pay £3.50. We are hoping, as in previous years, for a very happy and successful evening.

The Church Fete is on June 22nd and we are, once again, manning the "Small Household Items" stall. Goods to be brought, please, either to my house or on the day itself. I know you will support

us generously as usual.

Our best wishes are sent, in particular, to Mrs Richards and Mrs Hardwick who have both been very poorly and also to our other members who have been ill recently. We look forward to seeing them in the near future.

Mary Callaghan

BADSEY ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - WOMEN' SECTION

The April meeting was well attended, the Chairman Mrs Syril opened with the Exhortation, the correspondence included a Certificate for prompt payment of "Affiliation Fees" which we were very pleased to receive. A 'Royal British Legion Day' will be held at Blenhiem Palace on 6th July. Part of admission fee will be donated to the Royal British Legion.

The Chairman introduced Mr Oswell from Oxfam who gave a very interesting talk and slide show about Bangladesh. Mrs Reeves won the monthly Competition and Ann Wilson won the draw.

Refreshments were served by committee.

M Morcombe

CHILDRENS SOCIETY

The collection in April 91 showed an increase with a total of £433.25 plus £1 donation received by post.

Many thanks are given to the collectors who gave their time and the many people who gave donations.

Mrs Jean Ives

Christian Aid Week - May 13th - 18th

The total amount raised for Christian Aid this year in Badsey with Aldington and Wickhamford was £707. This magnificent result represents an increase on last year's total of £515 of almost £200. Our most grateful thanks to all the collectors and everyone who gave so generously.

Esme Seaman and Sue Cole

BADSEY FLOWER SHOW - Saturday 27th July

HAVE YOU STARTED PLANTING, GROWING, KNITTING,

CARVING, BREWING,

DESIGNING, PREPARING YET??

CAMPANOLOGY

A Quarter-peal, 1264 changes of Plain Bob Major, was rung on the Parish Church bells on Ascension Day by A.J Brazier - treble, Mrs Doreen Jopp - 2, A.A. Jopp - 3, R.W. Kyte - 4, M.C. Newbury - 5, J.H. Smart - 6, C.E. Evans- 7, and J.W. Nicholls - tenor. The conductor was Mr J.W. nicholls.

An attempt to ring a Quarter-peal on St. George's Day was abandoned due to problems with the tenor bell clock-hammer mechanism. This was rectified by the clock maintenance firm, and the bells were ringing for service on the following Sunday.

St JAMES' CHURCH

Badsey with Aldington

CHURCH FETE

Saturday, 22nd June 1991

then called at the such wards

BADSEY FIRST SCHOOL

2.15 pm to 5.00 pm
to be opened by Mrs Beryl Osborne
Entrance: Adults - 30p Children (under 14 years) - 10p
including FREE TICKET FOR LUCKY PROGRAMME PRIZE
ATTRACTIONS

BOUNCING CASTLE - PONY RIDES - SIDE SHOWS - TEAS - REFRESHMENTS
ICE CREAM - RAFFLE - CAKES - RED & GREEN STALL - GREENGROCERY
HOUSEHOLD AND PANTRY - TOMBOLA - LUCKY DIP - GAMES
COMPETITIONS

St James' Badsey Church Fete

Gifts for the Tombola Stall and Raffle will be very welcome and may be given to Mrs Maureen Davies of 4 The Poplars, and Mrs Chris Print of 42 Seward Road, for the Tombola, and to Mrs Win Skitt of 40 Seward Road for the Raffle.

Offers of help to run small games and attractions at the Fete will also be very welcome. Games and attractions will be provided on the day, but new ideas are very welcome. If you are willing to help please contact either Mr John Callaghan 7 School Lane Tel: 831194 or the Vicarage.

It now costs almost £250 a week to maintain Badsey Church and this is likely to rise sharply over the next two to three years. We have done much to look after the church in previous years. Please help us to maintain it for the future. Thank you.

REPORT OF WICKHAMFORD PCC MEETING MAY 8th

Mrs Collis reported that £226 had been received from the Inland Revenue being the taxable amount related to Covenants. All money given in this way is worth a quarter more due to this concession. It was agreed a donation be sent to the fund for Col Bell who was retiring after 14 years as Diocesan Secretary. He had gained great respect from all who knew him and his skilful handling of Church affairs would be greatly missed.

Two new kneelers were dedicated at the service on April 27th and the time and effort to make them was much appreciated. The passing of our late Churchwarden Ted Parry had brought a very generous response to the 'Friends of Evesham Hospital' from many of those who knew him. The excellent condition of our Church is in no small way due to his calm and cheerful dependability, ensuring that what had to be done was done in his own modest way over the many years that he was Churchwarden. During the Decade of Evangelism the Parishes have been asked to examine their own roles within the community they serve. After some discussion it was felt that the most positive approach would be to link with another parish, possibly in a town, to exchange views and visits and hopefully encourage more people to become involved.

The Patronal Festival will be on June 23rd.

WICKHAMFORD WI

Members were welcomed to the May meeting by the President Mrs Rosemary Hendrick.

WI spoons were presented to Sheena Beavan, Peggy Hancock and Elsie Hearne.

The Open Evening, held on Thursday 18th April, to promote our WI was a Theatrical Fashion Show organised by Sheila Derby from WI House Worcester, who is wardrobe mistress of the Drama Group. 60 members and visitors thoroughly enjoyed the display of changing fashions through the ages: everyone present vowed it had been a successful evening. As a follow-on we hope to start our own Drama Group, which is being organised in the near future by Denny King.

Suggestions are needed to make our 40th Birthday Celebrations, which are to be held later this year, a memorable occasion. On 1 June members are to man a refreshment tent at the Evesham Show.

In mid May around 18 members and several husbands are going to Snowdonia for a weekend break; about 10 of the party intend to climb Mount Snowdon.

The Bursary draw of £50 for Denham College was made, the winner being Denny King.

The VCO Liz Osborne was introduced the Resolutions discussed and voted on. Thelma Shannon-Garvey gave a vote of thanks.

Refreshments for the evening were served by Elsie Hearne, Sandra Heeks and Kathleen Mallard.

Next month's speaker will be Rosamund Young on the subject of Organic Farming.

M. Harrison

WICKHAMFORD MEMORIAL HALL

Is anyone interested in forming a BRIDGE or CHESS group? within the village, beginners or teachers.

If so please contact - Mrs A Poulter 830505

Tailpiece

Are you frustrated by all the changes for change's sake? The Bible says, "It Came to pass" Nowhere does it say, "It came to stay"

Apparently, being married to a woman who reads her Bible can have its drawbacks. A Man once protested that wiping dishes was not a man's job; in response his wife simply quoted 2 Kings 21.13 before handing him a towel.

The text says, "And I will wipe Jerusalem as a man wipeth a dish, wiping it and turning it upside down"

It came as a shock to read in an article about mutual understanding being more important than "liking"

"The hardest thing that any one of the twelve disciples had to do was to learn how to put up with one other eleven"

Large Car Park at