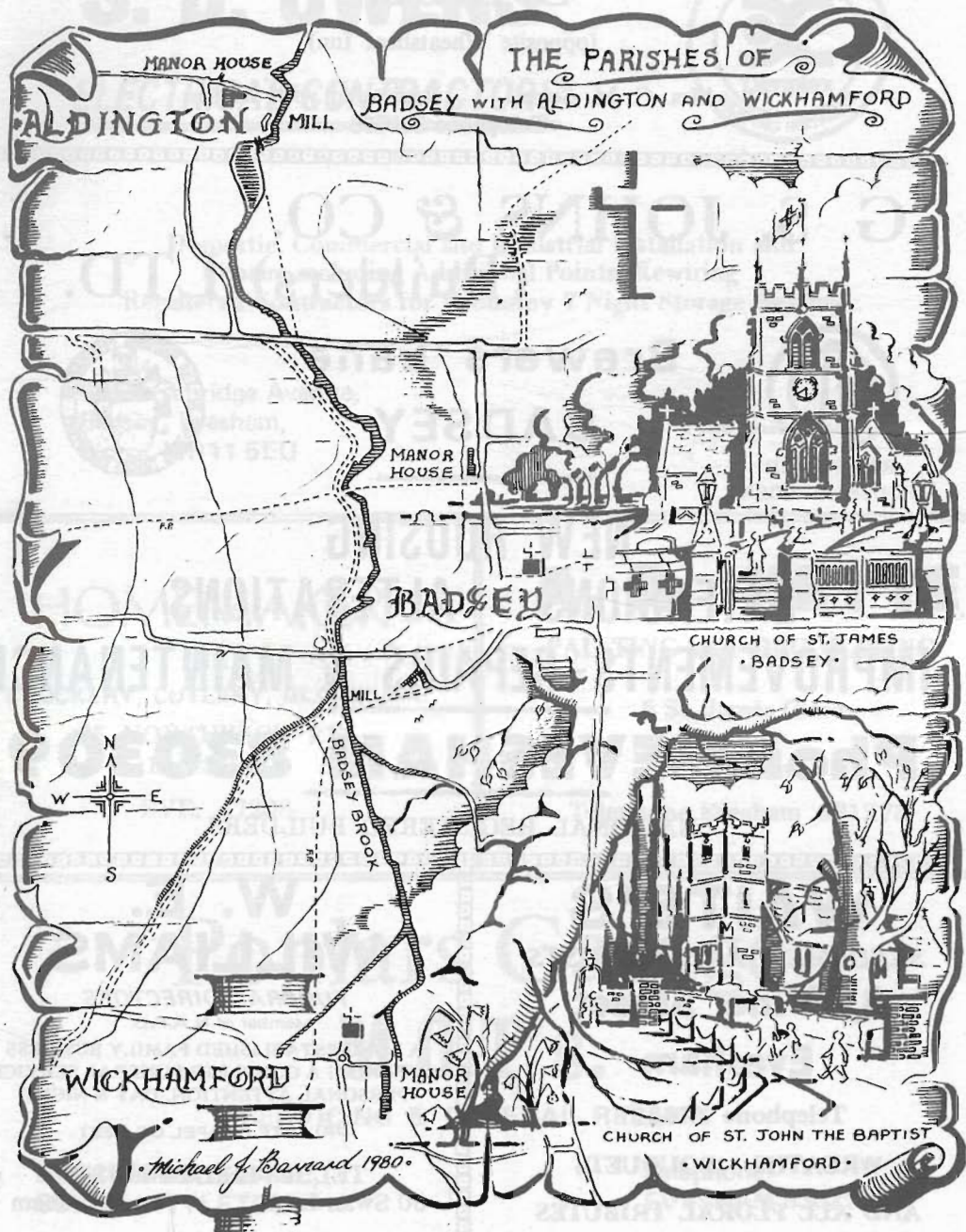


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THE VICAR'S LETTER

September 1991

My dear Friends,

The Harvest Festival services this year within the benefice will take place on 22nd September at Wickhamford and on the 29th September at Badsey and the distribution of the harvest produce at Badsey and Aldington on Monday, 30th September. Both services will be Family Services and it is hoped this will encourage the widest possible number of people to share in our harvest celebrations. Children, as always, will be especially welcome and are warmly invited to bring their gifts of harvest produce to be received during the course of the services.

The Harvest Suppers following the Harvest Festival weekend will take place on Wednesday, 25th September at Wickhamford in the Memorial Hall and on Friday, 4th October at Badsey, in the Remembrance Hall. Again it is hoped that both these occasions will be well supported and a happy and joyful time for all who are there.

Harvest Festivals have always been a time of joyous thanksgiving for God's many blessings to us, and his meeting of our needs, both bodily and spiritual. Like all things really worthwhile we often have to work hard to produce a good harvest, but when it does come, this only makes for an even more joyful and happy occasion. There is a genuine sense of achievement and thankfulness for all that has been accomplished.

As the seasons, and the years, come and go, the miracle of harvest, (for it is a miracle, as indeed all life is a miracle) can so easily be taken for granted, or even as a right, as being something to which we are entitled. But to do so it is to lose the sense of wonder and joy, mystery and awe of being a part of God's creation. Today we know only too well, that there are many places in the world where the harvest can never be taken for granted, and where far from being a right, it is a life giving, life saving gift.

So let our themes for this coming harvest season be threefold. Joy, thanksgiving and giving. Just as we have freely received let us also freely give, as Christ gave himself for us. Joy as we offer thanksgiving to God for his bountiful goodness to us and to all mankind as we share with others, those for whom the gift of harvest, when it comes, means the gift of life itself.

Your sincere Friend and Vicar,

Peter Mitchell

CHURCH SERVICES - SEPTEMBER

St James' Badsey

1st	15 after Pentecost	11.00 am Sung Eucharist	6.30 pm Evensong
8th	The Blessed Virgin Mary	08.00 am Holy Communion	6.30 pm Evensong
15th	17 after Penecost	11.00 am Sung Eucharist	6.30 pm Evensong
19th	Thursday	7.00 pm Said Evensong, Prayers and Compline	
21st	St Matthew the Apostle	09.00 am Holy Communion	
22nd	18 after Pentecost	08.00 am Holy Communion	6.30 pm Sung Eucharist
29th	Harvest Festival and St Michael and All Angels	11.00 am Harvest Festival Family Service	6.30 pm Evensong

October

6th	20 after Pentecost	11.00 am Sung Eucharist	6.30 pm Evensong
13th	21 after Pentecost	08.00 am Holy Communion	6.30 pm Evensong

Mid Week Communion: Every Wednesday at 10.00 am except
2nd October

Badsey Sunday School: 11.00 am every Sunday during Term
time - School Lane Playgroup

St John the Baptist, Wickhamford

1st	15 after Pentecost	09.30 am The Eucharist
8th	The Blessed Virgin Mary	09.30 am The Eucharist
15th	17 after Pentecost	09.30 am The Eucharist
22nd	Harvest Festival and 18 after Pentecost	11.00 am Harvest Festival Family Service
29th	St Michael and all Angels	09.30 The Eucharist

October

6th	20 after Pentecost	09.30 The Eucharist
13th	21 after Pentecost	09.30 The Eucharist

Lectionary

1st	15 after Pentecost	Romans 13. 1-7 Matt. 22 15-22	1 Kings 3. 4-15 1 Timothy 1. 12-2.8
8th	The Blessed Virgin Mary	Rev.21 1-7 Luke 1. 39-49	Proverbs 8. 22-31 John 19. 23-27
15th	17 after Pentecost	James 1. 16-end Luke 17. 11-19	Jeremiah 32. 1-15 Luke 14. 25-end

22nd	<u>Badsey</u>	2 Cor.8. 1-9	
	18 after	Matt.5. 17-26	
	Pentecost		
	<u>Wickhamford</u>		
	Harvest	to be	
	Festival	arranged	
29th	<u>Badsey</u>		
	Harvest	to be	Deut.8
	Festival	arranged	Luke 8. 4-15
	<u>Wickhamford</u>		
	St Michael	Rev.12. 7-12	
	and All Angels	Matt.18. 1-6,10	

October

6th	20 after	Romans 8. 18-25	Genesis 32. 3-30
	Pentecost	Luke 9. 51-end	Acts 27. 13-25
13th	21 after	Acts 26. 1-8	Ezekiel 12. 21-end
	Pentecost	Luke 18. 1-8	1 Peter 1. 3-21

Sunday Themes: Sundays after Pentecost

15. Those in Authority; 16. The Neighbour; 17. The Proof of Faith; 18. The Offering of Life; 19. The Life of Faith; 20. Endurance; 21. The Christian Hope.

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:

11 August
 Kate Louise Flint of 1, Manorside, Badsey
 Jasmine Sarah Ward of 23, Synehurst,
 Badsey
 Conor Wilson of 17, Chapel Street, Badsey

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

27 July
 James Dean Hoddinott and Joyce Hesketh
 3 August
 Andrew James Dorman and
 Diane Linda Stewart
 11 August
 Christopher Jonathan Jones and
 Michaela Haines

Funerals: Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life, whoever believes in me will live even though he dies"

Badsey:

26 July

William John McKanan-Jones of Hodson Village, Swindon, Wilts., aged 80 years (at Badsey)

Wickhamford:

25 July

Dorothy Joan Webb of 21, Coombefield Road, Wickhamford, aged 69 years (at Wickhamford)

DONATIONS

Badsey:

towards Badsey Church Funds, in memory of W.J. McKanan-Jones - £206.20
towards Badsey Church Funds, from Mrs M E A Lewis - £150

NOTES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Thurs 5 Sept	Badsey PCC - 7.30 pm	Badsey Church
Fri 6 Sept	Coffee Evening 7.30 pm - 9 pm	40 Seward Road
Wed 11 Sept	Wickhamford PCC - 7.30pm	Memorial Hall
Wed 18 Sept	Pastoral Committee 2.30 pm	The Vicarage
Wed 25 Sept	Wickhamford Harvest Supper 7.30 pm	Memorial Hall
Fri 4 Oct	Badsey Harvest Supper 7.30 pm	Remembrance Hall

COFFEE EVENING - BADSEY

Another of our very pleasant Coffee Evenings will be held at 40 Seward Road, on Friday 6th September from 7.30 pm to 9 pm. Tickets available from members of the Social Committee or on the night price 50p, and there will be the usual Bring and Buy and Raffle. All proceeds in aid of Church Funds. Come and enjoy a happy evening with us.

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 Wednesday, 11th September
 (please note earlier date)

Decoration of Badsey Church for Harvest

The decoration of Badsey Church for Harvest will begin on Saturday, 28th September at 9.30 am. All offers of help, gifts of flowers, fruit and produce will be most welcome.

Distribution of Harvest Produce - Badsey with Aldington

Distribution of the Harvest Produce to the sick, elderly, housebound and to the hospitals and nursing homes will take place on Monday, 30th September beginning at 9.30 am. All offers of help will be very welcome together with the names and addresses of those who would appreciate a gift from the Harvest. These may be given to members of the Pastoral Committee or to the Vicarage beforehand. Members of the Pastoral Committee are Mrs E Seaman, Mrs C Davies, Mrs J Ives, Mrs H Bird and Mrs S Cole.

MOTHER'S UNION

On Tuesday 23rd July at 7 pm the MU Garden Meeting was held at 6 Chapel Street the home of Mr & Mrs Betteridge. Although the weather looked doubtful, only a few drops of rain fell, and the meeting was able to continue. 42 members and friends attended. We were very pleased to welcome our visitors, Mrs Betty Owen, Mrs K Green, Mrs Betty Dyer, Miss M Vaudin and Mrs Thelma Thorpe.

We sang "For the beauty of the earth" an appropriate hymn for such a lovely garden. The prayers were taken by the EM.

Warm thanks were expressed to the retiring Committee members, to Mr & Mrs Betteridge for opening their house and garden to us, and to Mrs Ives who lends us wine glasses for our refreshments. Sadly we announce the death of Mrs Florence Jewell, for so long a faithful and much loved member and IMPC member. Our sympathy goes out to her family.

After the usual business was concluded a wedding present of a Mothers Union plate, was given to Mrs J Hesketh, who is now Mrs J Hoddinott, with our best wishes for their future happiness.

A gift had already been given to Mrs Cudd on the happy occasion of her marriage to Mr Terry Sparrow a few days beforehand, which explained her absence at the meeting! Mrs K Green was given a token, with our thanks for her work in inscribing the labels in the New Testaments we give to every couple married in the church.

Mrs Bell then read out the Prayer partners list, and, as always, this was a happy occasion full of surprises. Small gifts were exchanged amid thanks and laughter. We thank Mrs Bell for her continuing enthusiasm and good humour in this, at times, quite difficult task.

We then enjoyed the lovely buffet food provided by the Committee, and the delicious wine, made and given by Mr Fred Betteridge. So ended another MU year with good fellowship, shared experiences and a great deal of fun.

The Worcester dates for the MU wave of prayer are 6th - 10th September. Our date is Monday 9th September 9-930 am. This will take place in the church. Please try to come, for this half-hour service.

The prayer life of the MU is a vital part of its work, the root of its strength and inspiration, and something we can all do for our Overseas members as well as those at home. If you cannot attend please try to join us in your houses by praying for the following Dioceses at the appropriate time, Kigezi, N. Kigezi, East Ankole, NW Australia, and Worcester.

Ask me for a leaflet, thank you.

E Seaman. EM

Dates for your Diaries

Monday 2nd Sept	Committee meeting at 31 High Street
Wednesday 4th Sept	10 am Corporate Communion
Monday 9th Sept	9-9.30 Wave of Prayer
Monday 9th Sept	Deanery Committee
Tuesday 10th Sept	2.30 Talk by Rev. P Mitchell
Thursday 19th Sept	7.30 Deanery Social at St Richards Hall Fairfield
Tuesday 24th Sept	7.30 pm Liz Bevan. The Hospice Movement

BADSEY WI

The August meeting opened with the singing of Jerusalem, and Mrs Sparrow, (President), welcomed members and friends.

After the correspondence was dealt with details were given of various outings and events planned for the next two or three months -

Car boot sale at Badsey Recreation Ground on Sunday, 8 September 10.30 am

Dealing with an Accident - Evesham Community Hospital, 16 October

Proposed visit to Malvern Theatre to see Noel Coward's 'Private Lives', end of September.

Proposed visit to London to see 'Cats' Nov/Dec.

Gloucester Docks - Advertising Museum, 3 October.

Birthday posies were presented to members with a birthday during August.

Win Smith held a 'Knit-In' for the Rheumatism and Arthritis Research Council but the full amount donated is not yet to hand. The raffle was won by Mrs Marlene Atkinson.

Miss Peart, the speaker for the evening, gave a most interesting and entertaining talk and Food and Healthy Living, with us all taking part in gentle exercise to music. A most enjoyable evening.

September meeting will be on Wednesday, the 11th, when the speaker will be Mr Matthews from the Royal National Lifeboat Institute: social time will be the annual 'Mastermind' quiz, and the competition 'My funniest snapshot'.

G F Hughes

SIXTY PLUS CLUB

Our speaker at the August meeting was Mr Paddy O'Brien. He gave us an excellent afternoon's entertainment with his talk on 'Butterflies and Moths'. His obvious love and enthusiasm for his subject was infectious and by the end of his talk we were much better informed and had had many laughs at his natural way of speaking with his many anecdotes thrown in. A super afternoon. Our next meeting is the outing to West Midlands Safari Park. This is on THURSDAY 5th SEPT. Cost £3 for members £3.50 for friends. The Coach will leave Willersey Road at 1 pm with subsequent stops at Chapel Street, British Legion and the Pyke. We should return at about 6 pm. Tea is not included, but there are several cafes at the Park.

The meeting on OCTOBER 2nd is our annual Harvest Festival short service. Please bring produce and goods on the day. This will be auctioned and the proceeds will be given to the Royal British Legion Poppy Day Appeal and our Church of St James. Also in October on the 16th is our Open Day. This is the main fund raising event when all friends and members are welcome. More details later.

Mrs Hemming celebrated her 90th birthday in August. A small gift was sent to her from the Club. Both she and her husband were members for many years and it was nice to remember her on this very special day.

Mr & Mrs Ron Knight celebrate their Golden Wedding on 4th Sept. Our hearty congratulations to them both and best wishes for a lovely day.

At the time of writing Mrs Kath Brotherton is still in hospital. Our best wishes are sent to her and of course, to all our members who are unwell.

BADSEY ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMEN'S SECTION

The July meeting was held at Legion Headquarters. The Chairman, Mrs Syril, said the Exhortation. The minutes were read and approved. Several members had attended the Group Meeting at Pinvin.

A trip to Weston-Super-Mare had been arranged for members and children for August 21st. Nancy West and Jackie Emms held a Toy Stall at 'Badsey Flower Show' and raised £52 this was very good. The proceeds will be divided between Womens Section and Flower Show.

Our oldest member, Mrs Edie Cleaver, celebrated her 93rd birthday on July 26th. An arrangement of flowers and cards were sent to her from all her friends in 'Womens Section'.

'Senior Fashions' of Bidford on Avon brought along a selection of Ladies Dresses, Jumpers and Lingerie, for sale. The monthly competition, Guess how many pages in a book, was won by Pat Lord. Refreshments were served by Joyce Brown and helpers.

M Morcombe

BADSEY SUNDAY SCHOOL

We would like to thank everyone who supported our Cream Tea Fayre which was held on July 6th at Badsey Scout Centre, with a very special thank you to the people who helped man the stalls, games and kitchen and who generously baked cakes, donated prizes and supplied items for the stalls. Thank you also to those who gave generous donations. We made a Nett profit of £190 - a really splendid effort!

The money will be used to purchase learning materials from the Scripture Union. As we have more than 30 pupils with a wide age range we need different materials for each age group which is quite costly but, thanks to you all, now possible.

We finished Sunday School with our annual picnic, this year held at Ragley Hall, and a very good time was had by all. Thanks to our helpers we did not lose anyone in the maze, at least we don't think we did - anyone with a missing child should contact Ragley Hall direct!!

Again a big thank you to our loyal band of helpers who also provided the transport.

Sunday School will re-start on Sunday 8th September at Badsey Playschool - 11.00 - 12.00 am. All new children very welcome.

Yvonne Haynes and Sheila Taylor

WICKHAMFORD FRIENDSHIP CLUB

At our August meeting at 2.30 on Wednesday 7th inst. Rosalie Merrett from Badsey; who specialises in making Corn Dollies, gave us a very interesting demonstration of how they are made; together with a talk about how they are made; the different types from as far afield as Turkey.

A vote of thanks followed, for a talk which was appreciated by the whole club.

Tea and cakes made by Gwen and George Davies were enjoyed by all, before the usual raffle. The meeting then closed.

CHRISTMAS CARDS 1991

I am hoping to resume the sale of Christmas cards and small gifts in aid of Wickhamford Church funds.

I would be pleased to know if previous 'customers' would be interested, and would welcome enquiries from new ones.

Tel. 858994

W Holland

WICKHAMFORD SENR RES.

An outing has been arranged to Weston-super-Mare, for Wed 11th September. Coach will leave Sandys Arms at 11 am. Names in please to the Post Office or Ms P Sutton as soon as possible.

WICKHAMFORD GARDENING CLUB

Despite a dull but fairly warm evening, members of the Wickhamford Gardening Club assembled at the Memorial Hall on Wednesday 7th August to be taken on guided tours of two nearby gardens which had been opened for their pleasure. It was then back for coffee and biscuits, which were served during the evening to members, while they were busily patronising the Bring and Buy Stall, plus a comprehensive stall of herbaceous and perennial plants. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and the competition for three different annuals in a vase, was won by Mr Tayler, with Mrs D Stacey and Mrs Spiers second and third. The next meeting will be the Club's Annual Show, when it is hoped that there will be a good attendance.

R E Stringer

Christian Crackers

"I hope you will be happy" said the Vicar to the newly married couple. "We don't see why not" they said. "We both got through the war alright"

A young curate was visiting an elderly man on his 99th birthday. When the visit was over, the curate said, "I hope to see you again on your 100th birthday" The old gentleman looked him over carefully and then said, "I don't see why you shouldn't young man, you look healthy enough to me"