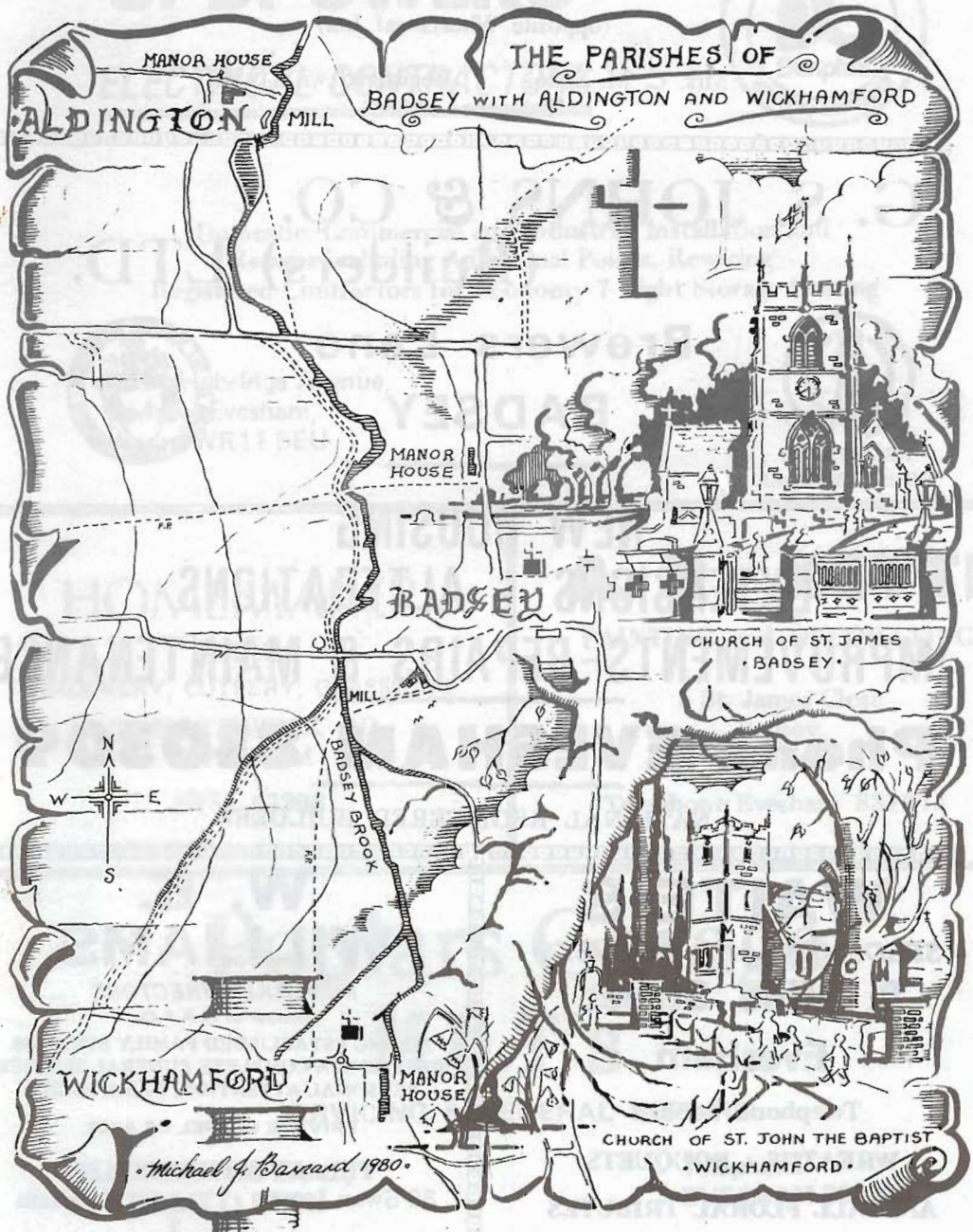


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THE VICAR'S LETTER

July 1992

Mr dear Friends,

Many of us will have been appalled and shocked by the recent press and media coverage of the Royal Family and especially of the Prince and Princess of Wales. Whatever maybe the truth about their marriage and the books which have caused such a furore, it is surely unacceptable that any couple's private life and marriage should be subjected to such intolerable pressure from the press and the media. If the Prince and Princess are going through a time of strain and difficulty, such publicity can only make it worse. Few marriages could withstand such pressure indefinitely.

The truth is that the press and the media have become very powerful indeed and are virtually answerable to no one, other than the courts where litigation can be extremely costly with no guarantee of success in what has become a very complex legal field. The time was when many of the most gifted and ambitious people sought the fulfilment of their ambitions in professions such as the law, the universities, teaching, the services, the church and politics, but now for many the press and the media have taken first place. The financial rewards can be very considerable, and this is likely to be even more so as satellite and cable television become more widely established.

Clearly some checks and controls are needed if peoples lives are not to be made unbearable by the risk of what the press and media may say about them, either justly or unjustly. It is not right that peoples faith in themselves and in others should be deliberately undermined in the pursuit of sensational reporting. The damage caused can be very harmful indeed. It is to be hoped that both the Government and the Press Council can do something to redress the balance, and protect peoples good names before any more damage is done.

Your sincere Friend and Vicar,
Peter Mitchell

A prayer from a Young Person's Guide to the Anglican Church

O Lord, we beseech thee to grant us sensitivity in all our dealings with each other. Keep us from unkind words and unkind silences. Make us quick to understand the needs and feelings of others, and grant that, living in the brightness of thy presence, we may bring light into cloudy places.

Amen.

CHURCH SERVICES - JULY

St James' Badsey

5th	4 after Pentecost	11.00am Matins with Hymns	6.30pm Evensong
		<i>please note change of service</i>	
12th	5 after Pentecost	8.00am Holy Communion	6.30pm Evensong
19th	6 after Pentecost	11.00am Sung Eucharist	6.30pm Evensong Mothers' Union 70th Anniversary Preacher: Mrs Daphne Cook
26th	St James the Apostle (from the 25th)	8.00am Holy Communion	6.30pm Sung Eucharist

AUGUST

2nd 8 after 11.00am Sung Eucharist 6.30pm Evensong
Pentecost

9th 9 after 8.00am Holy Communion 6.30pm Evensong
Pentecost

Mid Week Communion: 15th, 22nd and 29th July.

There will be no mid week communions on the 1st and 8th July,
nor during August.

Badsey Sunday School: 11.00am every Sunday during Term Time
School Lane Play Group

St John the Baptist, Wickhamford

5th 4 after 9.30am *Said Matins*
Pentecost *please note change of service*

12th 5 after 9.30am The Eucharist
Pentecost

19th 6 after 9.30am The Eucharist
Pentecost

26th 7 after 11.00am Family Service
Pentecost

AUGUST

2nd 8 after 9.30am The Eucharist
Pentecost

9th 9 after 9.30am The Eucharist
Pentecost

LECTIONARY

5th 4 after Readings for Deuteronomy 7 1-11
Pentecost Matins John 15. 12-end
1 Kings 10. 1-13
John 4. 1-26
Said Psalms 42 & 43

12th	5 after Pentecost	Acts 11. 4-18 Luke 10. 1-12	Exodus 20. 1-20 Matthew 19 16-end
19th	6 after Pentecost	Ephesians 4.17-end Mark 10. 46-end	2 Kings 22 Luke 15. 11-end
26th	St James the Apostle (from the 25th)	Acts 11.27-12.2 Mark 10. 35-45	Jeremiah 26. 1-16 Mark 1. 14-20

August

2nd	8 after Pentecost	1 Cor. 12. 4-13 Luke 6. 27-38	Exodus 35.20-36.7 1 Cor. 14. 1-19
9th	9th after Pentecost	2 Cor. 6. 3-10 Mark 9. 14-29	Numbers 6. 1-5 and 22-end Ephesians 6. 10-end

SUNDAY THEMES:

Sundays after Pentecost: 4 The Church's Mission to the Individual; 5 The Church's Mission to all Men; 6 The New Man; 7 The More Excellent Way; 8 The Fruit of the Spirit; 9 The Whole Armour of God.

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms: Jesus said, *"Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these"*

BADSEY

7 Jun Sabrina Elizabeth Ore, Samantha Mary Ore and Amanda Annabel Ore of 19, Old Post Office Lane, Badsey

14 Jun Katie Elizabeth McQuillan of 12, Seward Road, Badsey

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

BADSEY

23 May Patrick Joseph O'Mahony and Pamela Joan
Salisbury

13 Jun Brian Pitchford and Donna Marie Bradshaw

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

BADSEY

3 Jun Reginald Thomas Louis Arthur of 65, Synehurst,
Badsey aged 78 years (at Badsey)

5 Jun Michael Horace Elliott of 6 Old Post Office Lane,
Badsey aged 57 years (at Badsey)

12 Jun Kathleen Hilda Brotherton of 21, Sands Lane,
Badsey aged 81 years (at Badsey and
Cheltenham)

WICKHAMFORD

22 May Jesse Harris Collet Newbury of The Hawthorns,
Evesham Community Hospital, late of
6, Sandys Avenue, Wickhamford aged 84 years.
(at Wickhamford)

5 Jun Terence Arthur Green of 5, Manor Close,
Wickhamford, aged 41 years (at Wickhamford)

12 Jun Richard Graham Clinton of 10, Drysdale Close,
Wickhamford aged 18 years (at Wickhamford)

DONATIONS

"All things come of thee O Lord, and of thine own do we give thee"

BADSEY

- 18 May towards Badsey Church - £18.50
(collection at the funeral of the late Eva Helen Crisp)
- 3 Jun in memory of the late Reginald Thomas Louis Arthur, towards Badsey Church - £53.66
(collection at the funeral)
- 5 Jun in memory of the late Michael Horace Elliott towards the Marie Curie Cancer Care - £55 20
(collection at the funeral)
- in memory of my husband Arthur Leslie Byrd and my parents Mr and Mrs A.T. Hart - from Hilda Byrd - £20, towards church funds.

WICKHAMFORD

- 7 Jun towards church funds - from Mrs D Smith of 14 Sally Close, Wickhamford, - £50

NOTES FOR YOUR DIARIES

- Wed 15 July Wickhamford PCC - Memorial Hall
 - 7.30pm
- Wed 22 July Pastoral Committee - The Vicarage,
 - 2.30pm
- Thur 23 July Badsey PCC - Badsey Church - 7.30pm

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BADSEY MOTHERS UNION

On May 26th at 7pm there was a very enjoyable garden coffee evening at the home of Jean and Jim Ives in Brewers Lane. It was a fine evening and the Bring and Buy stall and

the Raffle were well patronised. Over £82 was raised for MU funds. We are grateful to Mr and Mrs Ives for the use of their lovely garden, and for kindly providing the coffee and biscuits.

On June 10th members attended the Diocesan festival in Worcester Cathedral. The service began with the procession of 64 banners, always an inspiring sight. 26 clergy were present, and two Bishops, Philip, Bishop of Worcester, and Antony, Suffragan Bishop of Dudley. The two Diocesan MU Chaplains were there, and took part in the service, Canon Samuels from Dudley and Rev. Nick Williams for Worcester. The service and the hymns were imaginatively chosen, and the responses and singing enthusiastic. Tony Dumper, Suffragan Bishop of Dudley preached a vigorous and stimulating sermon. He urged the MU to look beyond serving teas, to their true purpose of upholding Christian Marriage and he castigated the press, not only for its treatment of the MU, but for its despicable attacks upon the Royal Family. He asked the MU not to buy papers which printed such damaging and cruel reports. He mentioned the article by Rachael Nugee a former Central president of the MU, on co-habitation, and he was not in favour of encouraging this too liberal attitude. There have to be standards for the future of Society, a framework for the generations to come, or the family structure will crumble away.

We all came away feeling encouraged, it was a memorable evening.

Don't forget our 70th Anniversary celebrations on Sunday 19th July when the MU will be taking part in the Evensong, and Daphne Cook the Diocesan President will be preaching. A celebration cake, baked by Christine Davies and decorated by Jean Ives will be served, with a cup of tea, after the service.

The garden meeting on Tuesday 28th July will be held at Byeways, 6 Chapel Street, the home of Mr and Mrs Betteridge.

There will be no meeting in August.

E. Seaman EM

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Please note there will be no corporate communion this month

Sunday 19th July	Festival of 70th Anniversary at Evensong - 6.30pm
Tuesday 28th July	Garden Meeting - 7pm Byeways, 6 Chapel Street

EVENSONG 19th JULY

Although the MU will be celebrating its 70th Anniversary on this evening, everyone is welcome from the general congregation, and to join us for a piece of our special cake and a cup of tea or coffee after the service.

Please come and help us celebrate this happy occasion.

E. SEAMAN, EM

BADSEY WI

The theme of the June meeting was dolls. As members entered the hall they saw two tables covered with dolls all dressed in pre 1910 clothes, depicting all walks of life. However before hearing more about these, the President, Mrs Sparrow went through the business of the meeting. She welcomed two visitors from America and hoped they would enjoy the meeting.

£30 had been collected for the Cobalt Unit Appeal in memory of Joyce Lashford. The Auction at the May meeting had raised £61.71. Members were reminded of the Garden Party at Ashton-u-Hill on June 25th and the Church Fete on June 20th. There would also be a demonstration at Grahams on July 15th. It was decided not to take part in the Carnival on July 4th. The skittles team had won 4 out of 5 of their matches. The outings Secretary, Mrs Yvonne Haynes gave notice of a chance to see Tarvil and Dean Ice Show in October, tickets would be £17.50 and £19.50. The trading stall at the next meeting would be holiday requisites, the speaker would be a mystery until the day.

Miss Rowberry, of Kemerton WI then told members that the collection of dolls was made by a member of the WI, living in Westmacott. She started when a friend asked her to dress a doll as a gift. She then became very interested in the idea of dressing dolls in period costume. Her fellow WI members turned out all their old pieces of material, plus

buttons and beads, and she got to work. The difficulty was keeping the dolls standing, so her husband came up with the idea of putting their legs in washing-up liquid bottles filled with polyfilla. The hair was in some cases curls from the family poodle. When she required an older face she moulded from polyfilla and in one case the body was made from copper wire and pipe cleaners for the arms. A large number of dolls had been sold for charity but the remaining collection was being kept by her daughter. Many hours of fine work had been spent making exquisite clothes of Victorian and Edwardian times. The best doll was a model of the Queen in her Coronation Robes. The raffle for a peg doll was won by Miss Norah Smith.

SIXTY PLUS CLUB

The last few weeks have been busy ones for the Club. The Church Service was very well attended with our Vicar, the Revd: Peter Mitchell and Organist, Mr. Reg Kyte joining us afterwards for coffee at the "Wheatsheaf". By popular demand we are hoping to hold a similar event towards the end of the year.

The visit to the Arts Centre was fully supported and a wonderful evening was had by us all. Our special interests were, of course, James Felton and Philip Moore who have regularly entertained us at our New Year's Meeting for several years. They both performed excellently and received well earned enthusiastic support from our members!

The outing to Weston-super-Mare in June was also well supported. The weather was good with only a little rain at the end of the afternoon. I am sure we all enjoyed the sea air although the sea itself was a little far away!

The July Meeting, on the First of the month, will be the Summer Buffet at the Royal British Legion Club. We shall meet at 7.30 p.m. to eat at eight o'clock and entertainment will be provided by the Winchcombe Singers.

ADVANCE NOTICE: The meeting on 5th August is going to be a "Surprise afternoon", but we hope will, never the less, be well attended.

At the time of writing these notes Mrs. Doris Sparrow has been admitted to hospital. Our love and best wishes are sent to her for a speedy recovery to good health.

Mary Callaghan

BADSEY ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMENS SECTION

At the May meeting the Chairman Mrs Syril welcomed members. Apologies were received and the minutes read and approved. After the correspondence an excellent report on the Conference at Blackpool was read by Clare Westmacote. Clare was the youngest delegate attending and it was her first visit to a conference.

Val Taylor introduced Mrs Peggy Hancock to the members. She gave a talk and explained how she is tracing her family tree. It was a most interesting subject and I am sure many members will be taking up the challenge.

The competition was won by Rhoda Thompson - Guess how many cotton wool balls in a basket. The draw was won by Sara Powncet. Refreshments were served and last minute arrangements made for the garden party.

The next Group Meeting will be on 21st September at Fladbury.

M. Morcombe

Badsey Church

Most grateful thanks and appreciation are always due to those who in various ways assist in the upkeep of the church. In recent weeks we have been particularly grateful to those who have put the new netting in the porch, swept and weeded the church path and tidied up the Garden of Remembrance. Thank you again.

Badsey Churchyard

Sadly more instances have occurred of flowers being removed from graves, especially at the Chapel Street end of the churchyard. If anyone can throw any light on this distressing practice the Vicar and the Churchwardens would be pleased to hear from them.

WICKHAMFORD GARDENING CLUB

Gardening Club Members and friends met on Wednesday 3rd June at Saintbury where they were guests of Mr and Mrs Potter, where Mr Potter had ordered a gloriously warm evening to befit the occasion. Members were invited to wander, at will, around a most interesting garden, nestling in the hillside below the Church. The well maintained terraced garden had many features including well stocked

herbaceous borders, a herb garden, a summer-house and beautifully shaped trees and shrubs. A weeping birch cascaded gracefully over a beautifully manicured lawn, while two column shaped conifers graced the path which led to a huge cherry tree, saved to give a home to a Himalayan Rose which rambled happily through its branches, while underneath stood a meticulously maintained potting shed. The garden commanded breathtaking views of the Vale of Evesham and beyond to the Malvern Hills. Afterwards glasses of sherry were offered and everyone felt that they had spent a most enjoyable summer evening. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 1st July, when Members have been invited to visit Oakfield Farm Products and J.J. Bannister, Mushrooms.

R E Stringer (Mrs)

WICKHAMFORD FRIENDSHIP CLUB

As our May meeting was not covered in the last issue of the Parish Review, both May and June meetings are covered in this report.

For our Wednesday 6th meeting the Club went on an afternoon coach outing to Bourton on the Water, the weather was kind and gave us a warm sunny afternoon to wander round this pretty village, or to sit by the river and watch the world go by.

The afternoon was very pleasantly concluded with a cream tea in a local tea room, prior to the coach journey back home.

A local village policeman came to our meeting on Wednesday 3rd June for an informal talk about his duties, how to contact him and how the local policing system operates. He emphasised that if anything looked suspicious ring the police, and they will check it out. He comes under central radio control from Redditch.

We had our annual Fish and Chips afterwards, to conclude an interesting afternoon.