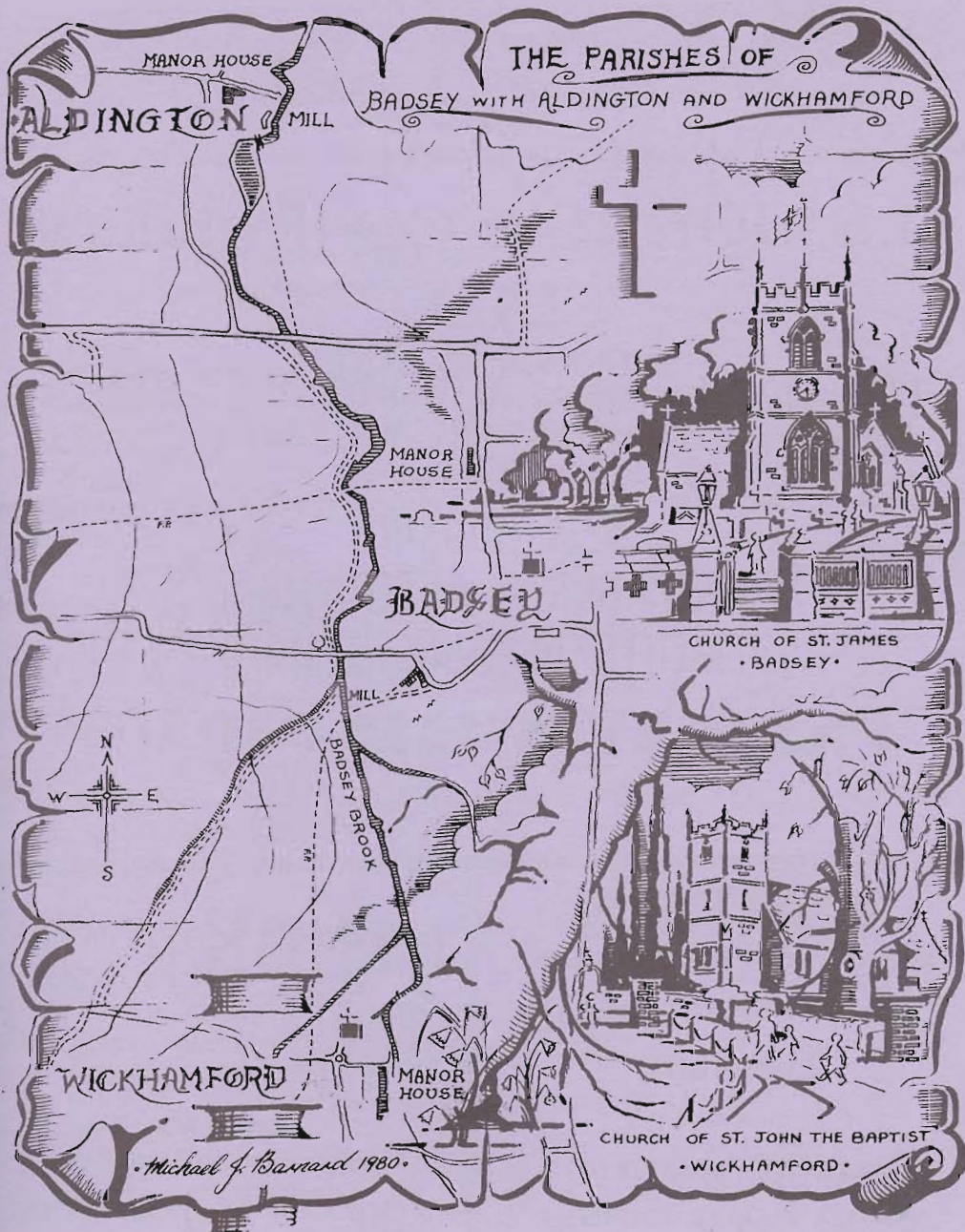


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THE VICAR'S LETTER

March 1994

My dear Friends,

"Haven" Lent Appeal - 1994

Many of you will have seen an article in the Evesham Journal about "Haven" (Homeless Action in the Vale of Evesham Now). "Haven" is an Evesham group trying to help the town's young homeless people and they are asking local people to help finance a building for homeless youngsters, due to be built in Mill Street.

The article described how the purpose-built complex will contain 13 bed-sits and a one-bedroomed flat and is to be built by English Church Housing in a project involving Wychavon District Council. "Haven" says that although it has not been asked to contribute towards the building costs, it needs to raise about £30,000 to furnish the units and about £20,000 to pay for the salary of a warden and the rent of the warden's flat. The article goes on to say how the organisation is sending letters to schools, churches, clubs and societies, asking for help. Their spokesman, Philip Walker has said, "If each organisation contributed £100, our problems would be at an end" A letter from "Haven" has been received by the benefice.

It has been agreed in both parishes to make this our Lent Appeal and donations in support of "Haven" may be given to either Mr R. Gregory in Badsey, or to Mrs C.Collis in Wickhamford, to the Vicarage, or at Church Services during Lent.

Homelessness has increased out of all recognition in recent years. Twenty years ago it was almost unheard of. Now it is a major social problem. Almost every town and city is affected by it. When young people find themselves homeless, often through no fault of their own, then the situation is desperate indeed. "Haven" is local and on our doorstep and is to be much admired for the way they are trying to help homeless young people here in the Vale. They thoroughly deserve our full support. Please help them as much as you can through our Lent Appeal.

Your sincere Friend and Vicar

Peter Mitchell

CHURCH SERVICES - MARCH 1994

ST JAMES' BADSEY

6th	11.00am	Sung Eucharist	6.30pm Evensong
		Mothering Sunday	
13th	11.00am	Mothering Sunday Service	6.30pm Evensong
20th	11.00am	Sung Eucharist	6.30pm Evensong
25th		Mothers' Union Deanery Festival -	7.30pm
27th	Palm Sunday	8.00am Holy Communion	6.30pm Sung Eucharist
	Tuesday in Holy Week	7.30pm Evensong	
	Wednesday in Holy Week	10.00am Holy Communion	
31st	Maundy Thursday	7.30pm Sung Eucharist	

April

1st Good Friday 2pm - 3pm Devotional Service
3rd Easter Day 8.00am Holy Communion 6.30pm Evensong
11.00am Sung Eucharist 7.45pm Holy
Communion
10th 8.00am Holy Communion 6.30pm Evensong

MID WEEK COMMUNIONS - 10.00am every Wednesday.
except Wednesday, 6th April

BADSEY SUNDAY SCHOOL: 11.00am every Sunday during
Term Time

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, WICKHAMFORD

6th 9.30am The Eucharist
13th 9.30am The Eucharist
20th 9.30am The Eucharist
27th Palm 10.30am Matins
Sunday
31st Maundy 9.00am The Eucharist
Thursday

April

1st Good 11.00am Matins
Friday OT Reading: Genesis 22.1-18
NT Reading: John 18
3rd Easter 9.30am The Eucharist
Day
10th 9.30am The Eucharist

Sunday Themes

Sundays in Lent: The King and the Kingdom: 3 Suffering;
4 Transfiguration; 5 The Victory of the Cross.
Palm Sunday: The Way of the Cross.
Sundays after Easter: 1 The Bread of Life.

LECTIONARY

6th 3 in Lent 1 Peter 2.19-end Isaiah 59.9-20
Matthew 16.13-end Col.1.24-2.7
13th 4 in Lent Col.3.12-17 1 Sam.1.20-end
Mothering Luke 2.41-end John 19.23-27
Sunday

20th	5 in Lent	Hebrews 9.11-14 Mark 10.32-45	Isaiah 63.1-16 John 12.20-36a
27th	Palm Sunday	Badsey Phil.2.5-11 Mark 14.32-15.41 Wickhamford Jeremiah 7.10-11 Luke 19.29-end	
31st	Maundy Thursday	1 Cor.11.23-29 John 13.1-15	
April			
3rd	Easter Day	Col.3.1-11 Mark 16.1-8	Exodus 14.5-end John 20.11-23
10th	1 after Easter	1 Cor.15.53-end John 6.32-40	Isaiah 51.1-16 John 20.24-end

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

- 13 Feb Ashley John Greening of 1, Packs Close,
Horsebridge Avenue, Badsey.
Natalie Rose of 1, Windmeres, Four Pools,
Evesham.
- 20 Feb Callum Richard John Mason of 6, Green Leys,
Badsey
Rayna Grinnell of 7, Green Leys, Badsey

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

BADSEY

- 27 Jan Lavinia Dorothy Flanagan (nee Sandford)
of 4, Princes Street, Paignton, Devon.
aged 79 years (at Badsey)
- 17 Feb Kenneth Wheeler of 71, Synehurst, Badsey,
aged 74 Years (at Badsey and Cheltenham)
- 22 Feb Margery Ethel Christopher late of
7, Moorhall Lane, Stourport-on-Severn
aged 86 years (Interment of Ashes)

WICKHAMFORD

- 2 Feb Isabella Russell Batchelor of "EastNeuk"
Wickham Close, Wickhamford, aged 73
years, (at Cheltenham)
- 3 Feb Cynthia Margaret Baldwin, formerly of
8, Washington Road, Wickhamford,
aged 76 years (at Wickhamford)
- 17 Feb Frank Baldwin, also formerly of
8, Washington Road, Wickhamford,
aged 81 years (at Wickhamford)
- 24 Feb Barbara Irene Sprintall of 11 Sally Close,
Wickhamford aged 71 years
(at Wickhamford and Cheltenham)
- Gerald William Roberts of "Millbrook Lodge"
Mill Lane, Offenham, and formerly of
Wickhamford (at Wickhamford)

DONATIONS

BADSEY

from the Guild of St James' Badsey Change
Ringers towards the church heating and
lighting - £50

NOTES FOR YOUR DIARIES

- 3 Mar 2nd Lenten Bible Study Group
Badsey Church - 7.30pm
- 4 Mar Social Committee - 7.15pm
7, School Lane
- 9 Mar Wickhamford Church Annual Vestry Meeting
and Annual General Meeting,
Memorial Hall - 7.30pm
- 10 Mar 3rd Lenten Bible Study Group
Badsey Church - 7.30pm
- 17 Mar Badsey PCC, Badsey Church - 7.30pm
- 22 Mar Evesham Deanery Pastoral Committee,
St Peter's Church, Bengeworth - 7.30pm
- 24 Mar 4th Lenten Bible Study Group,
Badsey Church - 7.30pm
- 25 Mar Mothers' Union Deanery Festival
Badsey Church - 7.30pm
- 14 Apr Badsey AGM - Badsey Church - 7.30pm

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Wednesday, 16th March, 1994

REVISION OF CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLLS - 1994

The Revision of Badsey Church Electoral Roll will take place from Saturday, 19th March to Monday 28th March inclusive prior to the Annual General Meeting of the Church on Thursday, 14th April.

LENT 1994

The series of Lent Bible Study and Discussion Groups on the theme, "The Kingdom of Heaven is like" will continue on Thursday evenings, 3rd, 10th and 24th March, in the North Transept of Badsey Church at 7-30pm led by the Vicar and Mr John Callaghan. Parishioners from both parishes in the benefice are most welcome and it is hoped these studies will help increase our understanding of the Kingdom of Heaven as taught by Jesus in many of his parables.

MOTHERING SUNDAY POSIES - BADSEY

The preparation of Mothering Sunday posies will take place in Badsey Church on Saturday, 12th March at 9.30am. Offers of help and gifts of flowers, as early as possible please will be most welcome.

EASTER DECORATIONS - BADSEY CHURCH

The decoration of Badsey Church for Easter will take place on Easter Eve, Saturday, April 2nd from 9.30am onwards. Gifts of flowers and offers of help will be most welcome. Donations towards the Easter Lilies may be given to Mrs Hazel Stewart or placed in the basket provided in the church.

MOTHERS UNION

Our New Year Party was held on 25th January in the Village Hall at Wickhamford, and just over thirty people attended. Before our buffet supper we were entertained by Mrs D. Bell who read two humorous poems, Mrs B. Bowles who read two of her own poems, and Mrs J. Hartwell, who read two poems written by her uncle when he was over eighty years old. These were all very much enjoyed by everyone.

Our delicious buffet supper was provided by an "anonymous" friend, Miss Norah Smith. Mrs Mary Dore catered and once again did us proud. A book on English gardens was presented to Miss Smith in appreciation of her kindness, many thanks.

After supper Mrs June Ross played the keyboard and guitar, and accompanied Miss Elizabeth Sharp who sang some lovely songs from shows, and other well-loved ballads. Then Mrs Ross handed out percussion and other instruments and we joined in the choruses of some livelier songs and spirituals. They were warmly applauded and thanked. So ended a very pleasant evening.

On 8th February at 2.30pm we sang Hymn 235 'O Jesus I have promised' the choice of Mrs K Mallard. Mrs J. Betteridge took the prayers. Our speaker was Mr Bob Gregory, whose subject was Twinning. He told us of the aims and objects of town twinning, and the advantages to all its participants in friendship and understanding of other

countries, their people and their cultures. He then told us about the places with which Evesham is twinned, Dreux in France and through Dreux, a connection with Koudougou, in French West Africa, Melsungen in Germany and Evesham township in the USA which is 30 miles from Philadelphia. His talk was most interesting, full of anecdotes and facts about the places he mentioned.

Questions were asked on various aspects, and he was then thanked by Mrs S. Sparrow. Mrs B. Bowles and Mrs K. Mallard served the tea.

Members, and other readers, please note, that the making of posies for Mothering Sunday will take place in the church at 9.30am on Saturday 12th March, and gifts of flowers, and help, will be very welcome.

The Deanery Festival on Friday 25th March, at 7.30pm will be here in Badsey this year. On Saturday 26th March there will be an Open Day at the MU Caravan at Harvington, from 10am - 4pm, Tea and Coffee available, Bring and Buy. Come and see the caravan which has given a holiday to many families who would otherwise never have one. We need your support.

E. Seaman, E.M.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Tuesday 1st March	2.30pm Committee. Vicarage.
Wednesday 2nd March	10am Corporate Communion.
Tuesday 8th March	2.30pm Kay Cornish. Open to God.
Friday 25th March	7.30pm Deanery Festival
Saturday 26th March	10am - 4pm Caravan Open Day at Harvington

BADSEY WI

The February meeting of Badsey WI took place on Wednesday 10th February. Members were reminded that subscriptions were due and it was pleasing that we had nine new members so far this year. The speaker was Mr. Mills who spoke on local dialects, particularly Worcestershire ones. He was most amusing telling members about his Grandparents and village life when he was a boy. We had two quizzes on local dialects which members enjoyed and found quite surprising. The competition for a bowl of Spring bulbs was won by Mrs Wyn Smith. We heard of forthcoming

outings organised by Mrs Yvonne Haines including theatre trips, a picnic at Westonbirt Arboretum and an evening at Teddington on dried flower arranging. The speaker next month will be Mr. Crowther on Novelty & Anniversary cakes and the competition is for a decorated wooden spoon.

BADSEY SIXTY PLUS CLUB.

The February meeting was well attended when Mr. Terry Sparrow made a return visit and gave a further talk on "Old Badsey". It was delivered in Terry's own inimitable way humour and interest and was enjoyed by everyone.

Our next meeting is on 2nd March when the speaker for the afternoon will be Len Tarplee who will be telling us about the work of the Blind Club in this area. Friends welcome to join us on this occasion.

At the March meeting money will be taken for the visit to Cadbury's World. The visit is on 6th April. The cost will be £4.50 for members and £6.00 for visitors. We shall leave Badsey at 12.30 p.m. and should be back by 6.00 p.m. Further details of times various pick-up points will be given at the March meeting.

The Charity Tubes are coming in well. Please make that little extra effort to ensure that 1994 will be a record year. Our venture is in aid of the new hospice building to be erected at the Community Hospital site.

At the time of writing Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Wheatley have both been ill. Our best wishes are sent to them and also to any other members who have been poorly recently.

MARY CALLAGHAN.

BADSEY ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMENS SECTION

The January meeting was held at Legion Headquarters and was well attended. After the Exhortation minutes were read and correspondence was read and discussed. Members were able to buy Dinner tickets for 26th January.

The Dinner was held at headquarters and 31 members sat down to an excellent hot meal. The caterers were Daws of Pinvin. Mrs Cyril the Chairman presented the Phylis Sears Cup to Mrs Doris Harris for the most points during

the year and the Pat Lloyd Trophy for runner up to Mrs Joan Lake.

Members enjoyed music by Tom Mar from Worcester with singing and dancing. Mrs Hurman organised a quiz game. An excellent draw took place which rounded off a very enjoyable evening.

M. Morcombe.

MARCH ST JAMES FLOWER GUILD

No flowers in church during Lent. With Easter just around the corner all helpers will be welcome on Saturday morning 2nd April to decorate the church. We start at 9.30. If there are any gardeners with spare spring flowers in their gardens contributions would be received with open arms and many thanks. Any queries regarding church flowers please contact me.

Hazel Stewart, Evesham 832007

Flower arranging classes start 3rd March, anyone interested contact me on the above number.

Hazel

EVESHAM CHORAL CONCERT

Lovers of sacred music will be able to enjoy J.H.Maunders "OLIVET TO CALVARY" which will be sung by the Evesham Arts Centre Choir at 7.30 p.m. on Saturday, 26th. March at St. Peter's Church, Bengeworth. In their performance of this beautiful work, the choir will be joined by guest tenor and baritone soloists and, of course, by the congregation for the singing of the hymns.

It is a very long time since this was last heard in Evesham and the choir has been pleased to accept an invitation to repeat their performance in Birmingham on Palm Sunday, the following day.

Tickets at £3.00 for the Evesham Concert will be available shortly at the Evesham Book Centre in the Espley Arcade or from Choir Members.

WICKHAMFORD FRIENDSHIP CLUB.

Some fifty members attended our meeting on 2nd February, and the Memorial Hall was a warm haven for those who came on foot.

The afternoon began with our Secretary, Mrs Winkett, reading apologies from those unable to come, especially three members who are in hospital, and to whom 'Get well soon' cards have been sent; Mrs Bretherton, Mrs Roberts and Mrs Sutton. We look forward to seeing them again in the near future.

Suggestions for an outing in May were called for, but nothing is arranged yet. Mrs Heritage was able to announce that thanks to the fund raising efforts of all concerned a sum of £166.00 was given to the Leprosy Mission. Birthday buttonholes were presented to Mrs Benfield, Mrs Street and Mr Summers.

The speaker for this month was Mr John Cresswell, a senior member of the executive staff at Long Lartin prison, who gave us a very interesting account of his thirty years in the prison service. His talk was not exclusively about life at Long Lartin, but contained very much information on the categories of security, the everyday routine and some of the financial aspects of the prison service. Some amusing stories too of incidents that he has been concerned with since he started his service in his early twenties at Winchester. Many and varied were the questions fired at him at the end of his address, and courteous and tactful were the answers, although he did remind some that they may have been reading the wrong papers and watching too much television. Tea and biscuits were then served, and our monthly draw for member donated prizes, and the afternoon came to an end. At our next meeting, (March 2nd), the guest speaker will be Mr D Jarman who will tell us about raising plants by Pro Culture, and on April Ms Jennie Archer from the M.E.B. will explain how we can save on our electricity bills.

D.S.

WICKHAMFORD WI

JANUARY MONTHLY MEETING.

Ann Owen reported on the Christmas Meal which had taken place at the Mill, Harvington and had been very much enjoyed by all. We especially appreciated sitting around the large oval table for our meal where one could be heard at the other end of the table without raising the voice.

In the coming year we hope to play croquet and the Sports Representative, Diane Maden is to approach the Wickhamford Croquet Club with a view to arranging tuition.

Peggy Hancock, Hazel Cole, Pat Bell & Denny King volunteered to represent our Institute in the County Trivia Quiz. Barbara Carroll has organised Theatre outings to Malvern for later in the year to see 'The Little Shop of Horrors' with Sue Pollard and 'Glyn & It' with Penelope Keith. Eight of our members are going to join up with Badsey Institute for a visit to the Birmingham Hippodrome to see 'Joseph and His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat'.

Having conquered the Cotswold Way from Chipping Campden to Bath, the walking group led by Pat Bell has decided to walk in the opposite direction commencing in February. The first part of the journey will be done over two days, spending the Saturday night at Bath Youth Hostel. The plan is to complete most of the 110 miles on alternate Sundays finishing before the summer holiday season starts. Husbands and families are also joining in this activity.

The speakers for the evening, Mr & Mrs Culbourn, had been to Oberamagau to see the Passion Play. Although it poured with rain during the three days of the play, followed by heavy snow in the mountains they thoroughly enjoyed their experience and delighted us with their beautiful slides and their enthusiasm and expertise in communicating it to us.

Delicious refreshments were provided by Sue Bearcroft, Jill Roberts & Sue Hancock. Our next event is the January Dinner on Thursday 28th which is being organised by Ann Owen & Janet Peters.

FEBRUARY MONTHLY MEETING

The February meeting commenced with a minute's silence in memory of Ella Batchelor, a much esteemed member, who had recently died. Our thoughts go out to her husband & family.

The meeting was very well supported with only two absences. It was nice to see several visitors & new members, and the return of old and valued friends.

Barbara Carroll is also organising a trip to Buckingham Palace and Diane Maden, Sports Organiser, has arranged for swimming sessions at Norton Grange & Tewkesbury Pool. We will also be playing skittles at Group & County level.

The Competition winners will no longer be presented with W.I. silver spoons. The points will be added up

throughout the year and a gift voucher presented to the winner at the Annual Dinner. The speaker, Mrs Marion Freeman, who has a needlework stall at Pershore Market, explained many techniques for collage & creative embroidery and illustrated her talk with numerous examples of her own work. She was thanked by Anne Owen. This was followed by delicious refreshments provided by Barbara Carroll, Jenny Tweney & Pat Bell.

C.G. King (Mrs)

WICKHAMFORD GARDENING CLUB 31 January 1994

The first meeting of the New Year went with a swing as a number of new faces turned up at the Memorial Hall, together with enthusiastic members, on the evening of the 26 January, to watch the Royal Horticultural Society's video of Spring Time at Wisley Gardens. It was an excellent evening's viewing and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

The competition was won by Mr Mumby, with Mr Cowan and Mrs Sue Hale second and third.

Please note that the next meeting will be held on the last Wednesday of February when Mr Roger Bentley, Pershore College, will talk on Composts and Propagation. The Competition will be A bowl or pot of bulbs

R.E. Stringer (Mrs)

CHRISTIAN CRACKERS

The Vicar of a small village received an invitation to dine one evening with the Squire. As the village was sparsely lighted, his Reverence took a lantern to light him through the dark lanes. After a very enjoyable and convivial evening he returned home safe and sound. Next morning, he received a note from the Squire: "Dear Vicar, if you will kindly return the parrot in its cage, you can have your lantern"

A newly arrived couple in the village returned home to find a visiting card from the local Vicar through the door. It read rather ambiguously, "The Vicar called and was sorry to find you out"



"DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING FOR FORTY DAYS AND FORTY NIGHTS?"

