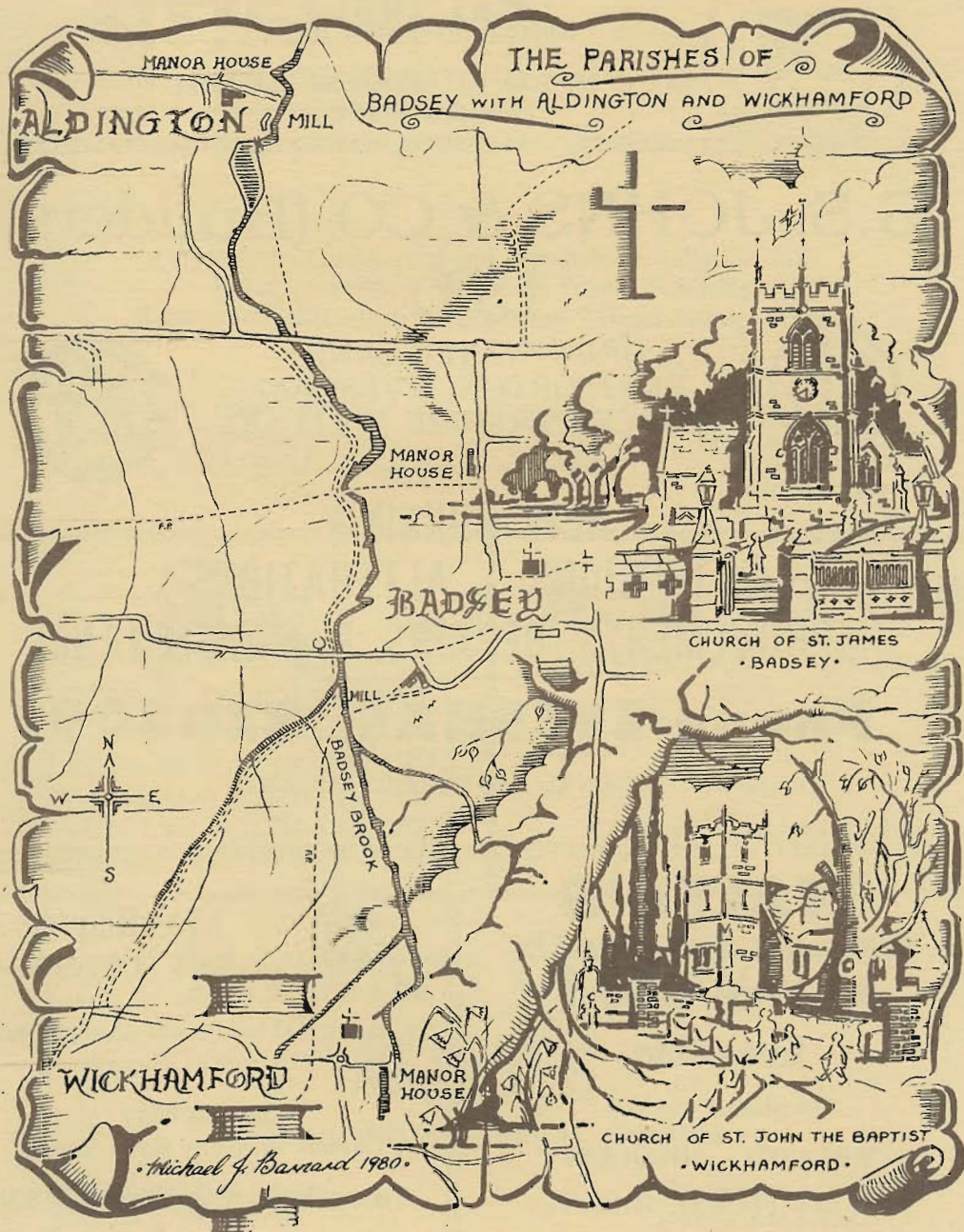


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THE VICAR'S LETTER

November 1994

My dear Friends,

One of the great joys following the IRA Cease Fire in Northern Ireland has been the total cessation of funerals in the province appearing on our television screens. For 25 years, they have been an almost constant feature of the news bulletins. Now they have ceased, it is hoped forever.

This is a time of the year when we especially commemorate and remember those who died. In the church, All Saints Day falls on the 1st November, followed immediately afterwards by the Commemoration of All Souls. Days on which the Church celebrates and remembers those who rejoice with us but on another shore and in a greater light. Those who are forever with the Lord. In our national life it is a time when we remember those who laid down their lives in the cause of freedom. Those who died in the two World Wars and in the many other conflicts since, not least in Northern Ireland and elsewhere in Europe.

It is right that we should do this. For our freedom, our lives and the lives of our children and our grandchildren are built upon their lives and their sacrifice.

But we cannot spend all our lives living in the past. We cannot spend our time just remembering the dead. There is the future as well. Whilst our loved ones are ever in our thoughts and spiritually always with us, it is only in this life we are separated from them. In the sight of God, in the dimension of eternity, they are with us always and we with them.

It is in the resurrection of Jesus, in the light of the Risen Christ, we see this eternal dimension revealed for all time. In the presence of the Risen and Ascended Lord we see a vision of life that transcends time. Sadly, in this secular and materialistic day and age, many have lost this vision or never known it. With the decline of the spiritual dimension enshrined within our Christian beliefs, many are only aware of the things of this world. They have no awareness of anything which lies beyond. For them this is the only world there is. They have no hope of eternal life.

It is our faith in the Risen Christ, in the Living Lord, which brings this vital spiritual dimension into our lives. The dimension of eternity where the past, the present and the future become as one. Where with God, with the Risen Christ, we share with those who have gone before, in the life that is eternal, both now and in the world that is to come.

Your sincere Friend and Vicar,
Peter Mitchell

CHURCH SERVICES - NOVEMBER 1994

ST JAMES' BADSEY

6th	11.00am	Holy Communion	6.30pm	Evensong
13th	10.45am	Remembrance Sunday Service	6.30pm	Evensong
20th	11.00am	Holy Communion	6.30pm	Evensong
27th	8.00am	Holy Communion	6.30pm	Sung Eucharist

DECEMBER

6th	11.00am	Christingle Service	6.30pm	Evensong
11th	8.00am	Holy Communion	6.30pm	Evensong

MID WEEK COMMUNIONS: 10.00am every Wednesday

ST JAMES' BADSEY SUNDAY CLUB,

10.30am - every Sunday during Term
Time

Badsey School Playgroup

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, WICKHAMFORD

6th	9.30am	The Eucharist
13th	9.15am	The Eucharist
20th	9.30am	The Eucharist
27th	10.30am	Matins

DECEMBER

4th	9.30am	The Eucharist
11th	9.30am	The Eucharist

SUNDAY THEMES

Sundays before Christmas:

7 The Election of God's People: Abraham;

6 The Promise of Redemption: Moses;

5 The Remnant of Israel.

Sundays in Advent:

1 The Advent Hope;

2 The Word of God in the Old Testament.

LECTIONARY

6th	7 before	Romans 4.13-end	Isaiah 41.8-20
	Christmas	John 8.51-end	Matt.21.28-43
13th	Remembrance	<u>BADSEY</u>	
	Sunday and	Matt.5.1-12	Exodus 6.2-13
	6 before		Mark 13.1-13
	Christmas	<u>WICKHAMFORD</u>	
		Romans 8.31-end	
		Matt.5.1-12	

20th	5 before Christmas	Romans 11.13-24 Matt.24 37-44	Jeremiah 18.1-17 Romans 9.19-28
27th	1 in Advent	<u>BADSEY</u> 1 Thess.5.1-11 Luke 21.25-33 <u>WICKHAMFORD</u> Isaiah 1.1-20 Luke 12.35-48	Joshua 7 Matt.25.31-end

DECEMBER

4th	2 in Advent	2 Timothy 3.14-4.5 John 5.36b-end	Amos 8.4-12 Luke 4.14-30
11th	3 in Advent	1 Cor.4.1-5 John 1.19-28	Malachi 3.1-5&4 Matt.11.2-19

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

9 Oct

Thomas Clinton James Evans of
47, Synehurst, Badsey
Laura Ellen Coldicott of
53, Synehurst, Badsey

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

BADSEY

29 Sep

Dorothy Julia Barnett
of Seward House, Badsey
aged 81 years
(at Badsey and Cheltenham)

11 Oct

Gwendoline May Staite
of Seward House, Badsey
aged 82 years (at Badsey)

DONATIONS

BADSEY

from Mrs Bertha E. Jones, towards the
St James' Badsey Guild and Change
Ringers - £100

NOTES FOR YOUR DIARIES

- 4 Nov Social Committee - 7, School Lane
- 7.30pm
- 9 Nov Wickhamford PCC, Memorial Hall,
- 7.30pm
- 10 Nov 700' Anniversary Committee - The Vicarage
- 7.30pm
- 12 Nov Christmas Bingo, Remembrance Hall, Badsey
- 7.30pm
- 16 Nov Pastoral Committee - The Vicarage,
- 2.30pm
- 17 Nov Badsey PCC, Badsey Church,
- 7.30pm
- 3 Dec Preparation for Christingle Service,
Badsey Church - 2.30pm

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CONFIRMATION - 1995

Just a reminder following the notice in the October issue of the Parish Review that the names of those wishing to be prepared for Confirmation in Worcester Cathedral on Saturday, 9th September, 1995 should be given to the Vicar by the 30th November at the latest.

CHRISTMAS BINGO - BADSEY

Badsey Christmas Bingo organised by Mrs Mary Dore in aid of church funds is again being held earlier this year on Saturday, 12th November, at 7.30pm. Gifts and prizes for the Bingo will be most welcome and may be given to Mrs Mary Dore.

MOTHERS UNION

At our evening meeting on 27th September our speaker was the Diocesan Overseas rep. Kate Bill. She showed us slides of the Worcester M.U. visit to Uganda, and spoke eloquently and movingly of all the kindness and generosity shown to them even though the members of the Kigezi Diocese were so poor. The walls of the Bishop's house were bare plaster, the furniture was minimal, but gifts and food were pressed upon the visitors. Most treasured and hoped for out there were notebooks and pencils, without which a child cannot go to school. Kate said how upset she felt that they hadn't known of this great need, something we wouldn't think of, and which they could have taken. Education has to be paid for and the schools are just bare rooms.

In spite of these and other difficulties the MU members danced and sang and were full of joy and affection for their visitors. She was warmly thanked and all those who were there will remember her talk.

On 10th October the prayers were taken by Pat Mitchell. Our speaker was Hilary Bolton the Captain of our Bell ringers, and she gave a lively and delightful talk on this interesting, if to inexperienced ears, confusing subject!

We had the opportunity to ask questions, and heard part of a tape on bell ringing, and ended by feeling stimulated, and at the same time convinced that we should never master the art! Hilary was thanked by the E.M. It was a very good afternoon.

Several of our members undertook to visit our I.M.P.C. members at St. Lukes tide and to take them our good wishes.

E. Seaman E.M.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Tuesday 1st November	2.30pm Committee at 5 School Lane
Wednesday 2nd November	10am Corporate Communion
Tuesday 8th November	2.30 Discussion on our MU
Tuesday 22nd November	7.30pm Yvonne Bentley - Christmas Traditions Traditions and Legends
Monday 28th November	2.30 Deanery Committee at Church House Evesham

SIXTY PLUS CLUB

The meeting in October was very successful. We began with a Harvest Festival Service conducted by our vicar, the Reverend Peter Mitchell. Mr. Reg Kyte was the pianist. Peter gave a most interesting and thought provoking "sermon" which was well received by members. A new member, Miss Barbara Lines was welcomed into the club. The special raffle raised the sum of £47 which will be divided equally between our church of Saint James and the Royal British Legion Poppy Day Appeal. Several members of the club then entertained us with poetry and monologue. These were all most appropriate bearing in mind that it was Harvest time and the age group of the Club! Many thanks to all concerned for such an enjoyable afternoon.

Unfortunately Mr. Bill Sparrow had a nasty fall on the way out of club. We do sincerely hope there will be no long lasting effects from this.

The next meeting will be on 2nd November. This is our "Open Day" when we try to raise funds for our activities throughout the year. The entertainment will be by Badsey First School and there will be stalls including bric-a-brac and cakes. Gifts of cakes and White Elephant items will be greatly appreciated. ALL AGE GROUPS are welcome to join us on this occasion and, in the past, our Open Days have been greatly appreciated and much enjoyed by our visitors.

ADVANCE NOTICE The Christmas Party will be on 7th December when we shall be having our usual Christmas tea. The entertainment this year will be by "Elizabeth and June" and, as usual, we look forward to the Guides and Brownies

being with us. More details at our November meeting.
It was lovely to see Mrs. Wheatley and Mrs. Win Smith at the Harvest meeting. Unfortunately several other members were too poorly to join us. Mrs. Lake also has had a nasty accident. We do hope she, and all our other "invalids", will be better soon.

Mary Callaghan

BADSEY ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMENS SECTION

The September meeting was once again our Harvest Festival. Mrs Syril welcomed Mr Callaghan who took the Service. A lovely show of fruit, vegetables and groceries was on display. After the Service members enjoyed a Ploughman's Supper. Guess how many pickled onions in a jar was the competition and was won by Mrs Eve Bent. Mrs Syril auctioned the produce at the end of the evening. The money raised will be given to St James Church. The monthly draw was won by Jackie Neal and Ann Wilson.

Tickets have arrived for the Albert Hall Festival. Six members will attend. We were pleased to see Mrs Phyllis Wheatley back after her long absence due to her fall.

The Group Meeting at Pinvin is on Nov.2nd.

M. Morcombe

BADSEY WI

The President, Mrs Butcher, welcomed members to the Annual Meeting and introduced Mrs Ann Smith, the Voluntary County Organiser.

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read and current business dealt with. Mrs Davies, the skittles captain, said the team had won through to the Group finals. Mrs Haynes the outings Sec. informed members that the trip to the 'Health & Beauty' weekend at Newton Abbott would start from the Wheatsheaf at 10.15am on Friday Oct. 28th. A list would be circulating for names for the Stratford Theatre to see 'Oklahoma' on Sat. Mar 4th 1995. Mrs Haynes also thanked members for their support of the 'Health, Fashion & Beauty' Show which raised £750 for the MacMillan Fund.

The Mastermind Cup was presented to Mrs Esme Seaman.

The main Annual Meeting began with the President proposing that the Auditor, Mr T. Sparrow continue as for the next year. This was agreed. Mrs M. Atkinson then gave the Financial Report which showed the Branch was in a healthy position. This was accepted. The Secretary, Mrs Sheila Taylor, then gave a very detailed report of the years events and activities culminating with the 'Hair, Fashion and Beauty' evening. It had been a very busy year. The President then explained that she had enjoyed her first year, despite the reservations when she had accepted the nomination last year. She thanked the committee for all their support and especially the Sec. Mrs Taylor who had kept her on the straight & narrow. Finally she thanked the members for all their support which really keeps the branch going. Once again, she thanked Mrs Yvonne Haynes & her committee which made the 'Hair, Fashion & Beauty' evening possible. The President then proposed these reports be accepted. All agreed. Mrs Haynes then gave a vote of thanks to the President for her work.

Members were then told that 2 members had resigned from the committee but 2 new members had agreed to stand. Mrs Smith then took over and named the committee members who were accepted. She then asked for nominations for the President. 4 nominations were received and she then asked these 4 if they were willing to accept. The result being that Mrs Butcher was re-elected. A vote of thanks was given to Mrs Ann Smith, the V.C.O.

The meeting then closed with a bingo session. The next meeting will be having a speaker on Corn Dollies, on Nov. 9th.

OUR MOBILE LIBRARY

When the Mobile Library visited School Lane on Thursday, 6th October I was amazed to see how few people came to borrow or exchange books. The vehicle was there for about twenty five minutes and, in that time, only five people went to it. I know the County Council is not permitted to advertise its services but, even so there is nothing to stop me making an appeal on behalf of the County Mobile Library. If someone does not do this a time may come when

it will be considered an unwanted and unprofitable service. So, I suppose, it is a case of 'use it or lose it'. I can assure anyone in doubt there is a very good selection of books on the vehicle. Also they are changed frequently and, if there is any particular title required which is not on board it will be obtained at a very small charge. The van visits the villages of Badsey and Wickhamford on the FIRST and THIRD THURSDAYS in every month. Its stopping points and approximate times are :-

BADSEY: Green Leys: 9.15 - 9.30
Three Ways: 9.40 - 9.50
Binyon Close: 9.55 - 10.25
School lane: 10.30 - 10.55
Seward Road: 11.00 - 11.30
Village Hall: 11.35 - 11.55

WICKHAMFORD Old Vicarage: 1.05 - 1.25
Sally Close: 1.30 - 1.55
Sandy's Arms: 2.00 - 2.20
Pitchers Hill: 2.25 - 2.45.

So, you see, there are many convenient points where you can meet the van and exchange or renew your books. It is a wonderful service and is included in the property tax (formerly the Rates!) which we all have to pay whether we use the library service or not. Don't let us lose our Mobile Library. Even if you only read one book each month it is still very worth while. Please do think about it.

JOHN CALLAGHAN

ST JAMES GUILD OF BELL RINGERS

This year the Worcs. Association of change ringers - Southern Branch - decided to hold a quarter peal week between 2 - 8th October for affiliated towers. As our Harvest Festival was to be celebrated on the 2nd of October a decision was made to combine the two events.

1260 changes of PLAIN BOB doubles was rung prior to Harvest Evensong.

Treble	JUSTIN PHILLPOTT
2nd	HILARY BOLTON
3rd	LAURA MERRIS
4th	JOHN BOLTON
5th	STEVE BOWLEY (Conductor)
6th	ANDREW STEWART

Well done Justin - 1st quarter away from cover bell. By the time the magazine goes out, a second attempt for a full peal will have been made on 23rd October by the Worcs. Association of Change Ringers to ring 5040 changes of PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR. 1st attempt in April failed due to a clapper breaking.

Hilary Bolton

SAVE THE CHILDREN

Save the Children is this year celebrating its 75th birthday, years of giving life, health and happiness to millions of children worldwide and at home.

To mark Save the Children's 75th Birthday, the Mayor of Pershore is hosting a meeting at the Wychavon Civic Centre, Pershore, at 7.30 on Tuesday 22 November. There will be a film on Save the Children's achievements in Ethiopia, 10 years on from the devastating famine, and a speaker from Save the Children's Midland projects.

There will be opportunities for questions, and a chance to find how people can help locally, to make a difference to children's lives. Entrance is free. Save the Children goods and Christmas cards will be on sale. For further information telephone 0386 860614 or 41776

JOHN'S JAMBOREE FUND

I would like to say a big thank you to all who have supported my fund raising so far. We raised £65 at a car wash at Great Mills and £110 at the attic sale. I would also like to thank those people who have given me personal donations. Badsey Scouts next fund raising events are a Grand Christmas Draw and Bottle Bingo. I am asking if anyone is able to provide prizes for these events. Please phone 831260 if you are able to help.

BOTTLE BINGO AND GRAND DRAW
THURSDAY DECEMBER 8th 7.30PM - BADSEY VILLAGE HALL
THANK YOU - JOHN COLE

COFFEE MORNING in aid of St Richards Hospice will be held on 25th November at the Tomington Rooms, Lygon Arms Hotel Broadway at 10.30am
Coffee and biscuits included in 60p admission.
Donations of goods gratefully accepted by Mrs J Vacalopoulos, 4 Drysdale Close, Wickhamford.

WICKHAMFORD HARVEST SUPPER

My husband, two neighbours and I attended the Harvest Supper in the Memorial Hall, Wickhamford last Wednesday evening Oct. 12th. What a pleasant and enjoyable evening it was. Such a delicious meal followed by Mrs Anne Poulter's inspiring and amusing account (with some audience participation) of her trip to Romania! May we say a very hearty 'Thank you' to the dedicated team of helpers who must have put in some very hard work to make it so delightful an occasion.

D. Hands. 39 Drysdale Close, Wickhamford.

WICKHAMFORD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The President thanked Hazel Cole and Pat Bell for organising the Saturday Morning Bazaar and the members who worked so hard, The weather was atrocious but in spite of this over £280,00 had been raised. The visits to Buckingham Palace and Badsey & Broadway Fashion Shows had also been enjoyed, Diane Maden reported that we had reached the semi-finals in the Group Skittles Competition and Sheenah Beaven had gained the highest score on the County Golf Croquet day, Janet Peters came second in spite of never having played before.

Connie Whiting agreed to organise Members Night in December and, after some prompting by our Founder Member, Peggy Hancock, the President, Secretary and Treasurer consented to serve refreshments in accordance with tradition.

Ann Owen would like to compile a cookbook to be ready for publication in time for the next Village Flower Festival, She would like W.I, members to test the recipes and to submit their own favourite dishes for inclusion.

The speaker, Judy Goodman, from Walsgrove Farm, Great Witley, told us how ten years ago she began raising a few geese for family and friends, This year the farm which is a family business has 2500 geese and 800 bronze turkeys as well as a herd of 220 cows, The Goodman geese are free range grazing over large paddocks and fed on natural feeds: grass, corn, and straw, No additives or growth promoters are incorporated into the diet, A great selection of articles have appeared in many National Newspapers and Magazines and Delia Smith used a Goodman Goose for her Christmas Programme in 1990.

After demonstrating how to prepare the goose for the oven she was thanked by Denny King.

I read my Bible to know what people ought to do, and my newspaper to know what they are doing.

John Henry Newman

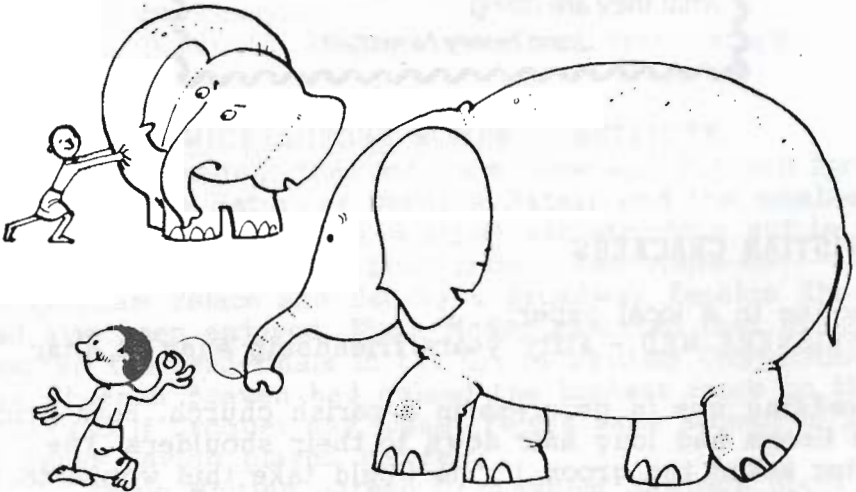
CHRISTIAN CRACKERS

Headline in a local paper:

PENSIONERS WED - Fifty years friendship ends at altar.

A wedding was in progress in a parish church. Both Bride and Groom had long hair down to their shoulders: The rector asked the groom if "he would take this woman to be his wedded wife?" He then asked the bride, "if she would take this woman to be her wedded husband?"

**CHURCH JUMBLE
SALE**



Persian Proverb: A gentle hand
may lead the elephant with a hair.