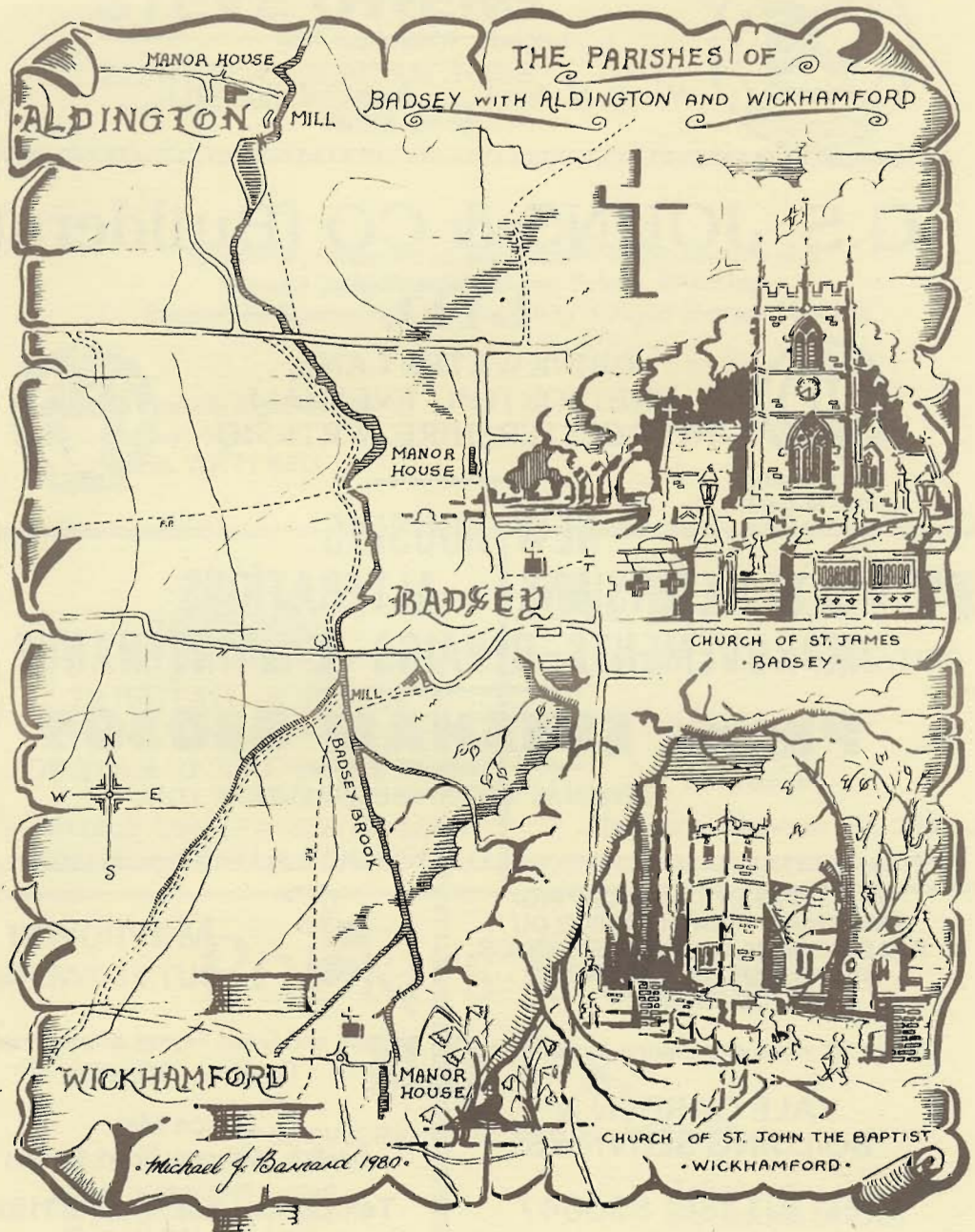


# PARISH REVIEW

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## The Parishes of Badsey with Aldington, and Wickhamford

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### THE VICAR'S LETTER

November, 1995

My dear Friends,

At a special meeting of Badsey PCC on the 19th October, at which representatives of Wickhamford were also present it was agreed to continue with the Parish Review during 1996. Details of the latest dates for copy etc., and to whom it should be sent will be given later. It was felt that although the two parishes may be under the care of different clergy there were still many things they shared together and that these should continue to be reflected in the Parish Review. Details of the price for 1996 will be given in the December issue in the normal way.

Now that the Revd John Wright will be leaving Offenham and Bretforton in the New year, it is assumed there will be an interregnum before a new incumbent comes to Badsey and that once the present pastoral re-organisation scheme is established Canon Peter Burch will take over the care of Wickhamford as planned. The Rural Dean will shortly be discussing with the Churchwardens of both churches arrangements for the interregnum. The next few months will be a testing time for the parishes during which the life of the church will have to be

sustained. But it will also be an opportunity. An opportunity to prove how strong and faithful the churches are in Badsey with Aldington and Wickhamford and how much God can do for them through their faith. There need be no fear or anxiety. The greater the challenge, the stronger our faith becomes. When we work together with God, we shall be amazed at what can be accomplished in His name.

Your sincere Friend and Vicar  
Peter Mitchell

## CHURCH SERVICES - NOVEMBER 1995

### ST JAMES' BADSEY

5th	11.00am	Family Eucharist	6.30pm	Evensong
12th	10.45am	Remembrance Day Service	6.30pm	Evensong
19th	11.00am	Sung Eucharist	6.30pm	Evensong
26th	8.00am	Holy Communion	6.30pm	Sung Eucharist

### DECEMBER

3rd	11.00am	Christingle Service	6.30pm	Evensong
10th	8.00am	Holy Communion	6.30pm	Evensong

MID WEEK COMMUNIONS: 11.00am every Wednesday

### ST JAMES' BADSEY SUNDAY CLUB,

10.30am - every Sunday during Term  
Time at Badsey School Playgroup

### ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, WICKHAMFORD

5th	9.30am	The Eucharist
12th	9.15am	The Eucharist

19th 9.30am The Eucharist.  
 26th 10.30am Matins

DECEMBER

3rd 9.30am The Eucharist  
 10th 9.30am The Eucharist

**SUNDAY THEMES**

Sunday before Christmas: 8 The Fall; 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

5th	8 before Christmas	Romans 7.7-13 John 3.13-21	Exodus 20.1-20 Mark 7.1-23
12th	Remembrance Sunday & 7 before Christmas	<u>BADSEY</u> Rev.21.1-7 <u>WICKHAMFORD</u> Rev.21.1-7 Matt.5.1-12	Genesis 13 John 8.31-end
19th	6 before Christmas	Heb.11.17-31. Mark 13.5-13	Exodus 2.23-3.20 John 6.24-40
26th	5 before Christmas	<u>BADSEY</u> Romans 9.19-28 Mark 13.14-23	<u>WICKHAMFORD</u> Genesis 6.5-end 1 Peter 3.8-end

DECEMBER

3rd	1 in Advent	Romans 13.8-end Matt.25.31-end	Isaiah 52.1-12 1 Thessalonians 5
10th	2 in Advent	Romans 15.4-13 Luke 4.14-21	1 Sam. 28.3-20 2 Tim. 3.14-4.8

## 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"

### WICKHAMFORD

8 Oct Henry Patrick Carter of 43, Port Hall Road, Brighton  
Samantha Jane and Charlotte Ann Curtis, both of 27, Pitchers Hill, Wickhamford

15 Oct Bradley James Proctor of 61, Columbine Drive, Evesham

22 Oct Della Grace Richmond of 1 Eversley Cottages, Oaksey, Wilts  
Pierre Hugo James Chambault of Chemin De Vermenton, Sery, France

### Renewal of Marriage Vows

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

### BADSEY

14 Oct Noah and Shirley Johns of Badsey

### Service of Prayer and Dedication

### BADSEY

21 Oct Nigel John Welch and Helen Jane Townsend

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

## **BADSEY**

- 17 Oct Walter Thomas Johnson of St Helens, Old Worcester Road, Evesham, (previously of 10 Chapel Street, Badsey) aged 59 years (at Badsey)
- 24 Oct James Booth of The Caravan, Badsey Fields Nursery, Badsey Fields Lane, Badsey aged 61 years (at Badsey and Evesham)

## DONATIONS

### BADSEY

- from the Royal British Legion Womens Section sale of Harvest Produce - £25, towards church funds
- from Ralph and Iris Taylor, in thankfulness for 60 happy years - £60, towards church funds and £40 towards St James Badsey, Guild of Change Ringers.
- from Long Lartin Prison, being the balance received from the wreath for Walter Thomas Johnson, £11.19 - towards church funds.

### WICKHAMFORD

- from the estate of the late Mrs Evelyn Edyth Cox-Palatzky, £500 - towards church funds.

## NOTES FOR YOUR DIARIES

- 4 Nov Final Service for the St Wulfstan Year  
Worcester Cathedral - 3.00pm

8 Nov Wickhamford PCC, Memorial Hall,

- 7.30pm

16 Nov Badsey PCC, Badsey Church - 7.30pm

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### NOTICES

On the 2nd October, a sum of money was received anonymously at the Vicarage. There was no indication of the purpose for which it was intended. As there are various accounts in both parishes to which it could be credited it would be appreciated if the donor would kindly furnish more details of their wishes.

The Beetle Drive with "Ploughman's and Punch" provisionally planned for November has been postponed until the New Year.

### WORCESTER DIOCESE St WULFSTAN YEAR 900th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

The Final Service for the St Wulfstan Year with Choirs from all over the Diocese will be held in the Cathedral on Saturday, 4th November at 3.00pm. It is hoped clergy and representatives from all parishes in the diocese will be present.

### M.U. NEWS

On 26th September our own Daphne Bell spoke on the Early Matriarchs. As usual we were entertained and educated extremely well. Eve, Sarah, Rebecca, Rachael and Leah were brought to life. We felt that we were meeting real people who had played extremely important roles in the early life in the Bible. God created Eve, he brought her womanly presence into being. Sarah, meaning princess had a very important role, she is mentioned 48 times in the bible. Loved by her husband Abraham. Rebecca, Isaac's wife plotted to deprive her eldest son of

his birthright to enable her favourite Jacob to have it. She was then to send Jacob away never to see him again. Sisters Rachel and Leah both married Jacob. From these unions come the twelve tribes of Israel. We shall certainly read these episodes from our bible with new understanding.

October 10th brought us a visit from our good friend Mrs Joyce Grove. She talked to us about the importance of Christian names. She reminded us of how important each one of us is to our Heavenly Father. "I will not forget you. See I have engraved you on the palms of my hands" (Isaiah 49 v.15). This is such an overwhelming text which we should think about when we are in need. Joyce went on to tell us of two people in the Bible who had small but important roles to play. Ebed Melech who pleaded with the king to have Jeremiah released from a well where officials had put him to die. (Jeremiah 38). Ebed Melech was very kind and helped Jeremiah out of the well carefully so as not to hurt him. From the New Testament, Joyce told us of Lois, Timothy's grandmother. Paul was reminding Timothy of his faith and he said the faith first lived in his Grandmother. Joyce told us how important a Grandmother's faith is in family life. As usual Joyce left us with ideas to think about.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| November 1st  | Corporate Communion  |
| November 14th | Snippets and Poems<br>Please remember to bring along your own favourite. |
| November 28th | A.G.M. and Hilary Bolton with her tapes<br>Sue Cole                      |

#### SIXTY PLUS CLUB

Unfortunately I was not able to attend the October meeting but my place was taken very ably by Mrs. Carrie John. My thanks to her for standing in for me.

The speaker for the afternoon was Miss Jean Dyke who told of her work and experiences with the Coronation Street Club for the Disabled. Her talk was



most interesting and very well received by our members. Mrs. Reeves gave the vote of thanks. The main raffle for the afternoon was a beautiful box of fruit generously donated by Safeway Stores. This was won by Mrs. Jean Jelfs. The sale of tickets and a donation raised the sum of £68 and this amount will be divided equally between our parish church of Saint James and the Royal British Legion Poppy Day Appeal. On this occasion Mrs. Skitt ran the main raffle and Mrs. Reeves the free raffle. Our thanks to both of them for stepping in at the last moment.

The next meeting is on 1st November when we will be entertained by Badsey First School. This is not a fund raising afternoon but friends are most welcome to join us to hear the children. From past experience we know it is always a pleasure to listen to them.

Names and money will be taken at this meeting for the outing to Ashorne Hall on 13th December. This will be an afternoon of entertainment and a full Christmas tea. The cost to members will be £8.00 and for guests £10.00. This is an outing which has been requested by many members and should prove to be popular. Names will be taken on a "first come basis". More details at the meeting.

At the November meeting the Charity Tubes will also be collected so that we can hand over the proceeds of the year before the last meeting of the Club in December.

**ADVANCE NOTICE** The Christmas Party is on 6th December when our caterer will be Mrs Mary Dore The Guides and Brownies will be visiting us and our entertainment will be provided by Mr Brian Weston. There will also be the usual Free Grand Raffle. This is always a very good afternoon and we hope as many members as possible will be able to attend.

At the time of writing Mr Hugh Blunstone is receiving yet more hospitalisation. We wish him well and hope that he makes a full recovery and that we shall see him again before too long.

Mary Callaghan

### BADSEY ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMENS SECTION

The September meeting was our Harvest Festival. The Vice Chairman Mrs Newbury opened the meeting with the Exhortation and afterwards welcomed the Rev. Peter Mitchell who conducted a Harvest Service. An excellent display of fruit, vegetables, flowers and groceries was auctioned by the Chairman Mrs Cyril. All members afterwards enjoyed a Ploughman's Supper. Mrs Syril wished Rev. Mitchell a long and happy retirement at the end of the year and hoped he might visit us sometimes. A donation will be sent to Badsey church from a collection. The Competition was won by Betty Westmacott and a draw was won by Eve Bent and Joan Hewlett. It was a very pleasant evening.

M. Morcombe

### CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOX COLLECTION

This year the wonderful result was £581.18 an increase of about £51 on last year's total. This result is partly due to an increase in the number of box holders and again I appeal for more to join us. Many, many thanks.

Jean Ives, Hon. Local Sec.

### ST JAMES GUILD OF BADSEY BELLRINGERS

Practice night 18th September 1995

After meeting with only six ringers, we decided to give Vici a chance for a quarter peal

1260 changes of Grandsire was chosen and achieved.

Treble Victoria Cain

2nd John Bolton

3rd Laura Merris

4th Hilary Bolton

5th Andrew Middlicott Conductor

6th Justin Phillpott

Well done Vici on your 1st. quarter

A compliment to Laura & Andrew as a farewell.

See you Christmas!

Congratulations to Jim and Jean Ives on Your Ruby Wedding from the Sunday Service band.

21st. September 1995 a DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY  
Quarter peal of 1260 Mixed Doubles, 3 methods  
was rung to Congratulate Ralph and Iris Taylor.  
Treble Justin Phillpott  
2nd Hilary Bolton  
3rd Laura Merris  
4th John Bolton  
5th Steve Bowley Conductor  
6th Andrew Middlicott

### A VIEW OF BADSEY - 1995

I would like to thank everyone who bought one of the  
above videos from me.

I actually hit my target and sold over 180 videos!

On Monday 16th October I presented £1000.50 profit to  
the Badsey Remembrance Hall.

Again many thanks.

PAUL AYSHFORD

### HARVEST SUPPER

Having attended the Harvest Supper in the Village Hall  
last Wednesday I cannot let the occasion pass without a  
word of thanks to the team of ladies who did such a  
splendid job. The packed hall obviously was testimony to  
what was expected, and what a splendid meal we  
all enjoyed. It must have meant a lot of hard work, and  
many thanks from everyone to the team.

D. Hands. Drysdale Close, Wickhamford

### WICKHAMFORD FRIENDSHIP CLUB

On Wednesday October 4th the M. E. B. were  
carrying out maintenance work in the Wickhamford area,  
which meant a power cut from 9.00am to about 3.15pm.  
One result was a dramatic reduction in the number of  
members attending this month's meeting. Only twenty  
eight out of the usual forty or so turned up, and nearly  
all of the absentees gave the same reason for not coming  
— the power cut.

The meeting opened with apologies from those who were kind enough to contact our Secretary, and the reading of notices, the most important being that the November meeting will be the A G M, and that there will be an Autumn Fair on Saturday October 28th. Contributions of bric-a-brac etc: will be very much appreciated. Birthday buttonholes were then presented to Mrs Winkett, Mrs Crump and Mrs Stretton.

Our speaker for the afternoon was Mr Peter Davies from St Richards Hospice at Worcester. Mr Davies said that his work was concerned more with the financial and fund raising of the organisation, and told us more of the home-care and similar services in the area that covers as far as Droitwich, Malvern and Evesham. His talk evolved into a 'question and answer' session, and questions came from many of the listeners. His replies and explanations of various aspects of his work were very interesting and sometimes quite amusing, and we now have a much better idea of what is involved in hospice work. When there were no further questions tea and biscuits were served, and the usual raffle was called and we all departed for home; — and the lights were back on.

D. S.

### WICKHAMFORD GARDENING CLUB

On the evening of Wednesday 27th September, members and friends poured into the Memorial Hall with their exhibits, to make the Autumn Show a huge success. Considering the time of the year and the long dry summer, it was astonishing how many exhibits had been conjured up, which made the trestle-tables groan under the weight of plates of tomatoes, the longest runner beans, ever, a variety of vegetables and members favourite flowers.

The Norman Tayler Rose Bowl for the greatest number of points, was awarded jointly to Mrs D. Stacey and Mr D. Hadley and was presented to them by the Club's president, Mrs. B. Astley with Mrs June Cowen coming second.

Later members were entertained by the Woodfield Brothers, who gave an exhilarating talk on 'Lupins'. Afterwards, packets of seeds were soon snapped up and

everyone hurried away to grow their own prize Lupins.

The A.G.M. will take place on Wednesday 25th October, followed by a talk on Topiary, to be given by Mr N. Dakin-Elliott from Pershore College. The competition will be a flower arrangement in a sugar bowl, not to exceed 9 inches overall.

R.E. Stringer (Mrs)

### WICKHAMFORD SENIOR RESIDENTS

BINGO

IN THE VILLAGE HALL WICKHAMFORD  
on WEDNESDAY 29th NOVEMBER at 7.30pm  
GOOD PRIZES

Any donations towards prizes would be most welcome  
Proceeds for Senior Residents Christmas Party  
Please support us

### WICKHAMFORD W.I.

The October meeting was opened as usual by the singing of Jerusalem. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, and birthday buttonholes presented to Peggy Hancock, Ann Owen and Janet Peters.

The Treasurer's report was very encouraging and, as we have such a healthy deposit account, ideas were put forward on the best way to spend some of the money to the benefit of members. A vote was taken and it was agreed that the January Christmas meal would be subsidised and those members unable to attend would be given vouchers. Connie Whiting thanked the Committee on behalf of her husband and herself for the beautiful flower arrangement presented on their recent Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Jane Bailey told us how much our members had enjoyed the 'Frocks and shares' evening held by Ashton Under Hill W.I. Wickhamford members were made very welcome - it sounded as though our members walked off with the majority of the raffle prizes too.

Our guest speaker for the evening was Pam Westwood who, while busy with the intricate operation of boning a pheasant, told us some very amusing and

