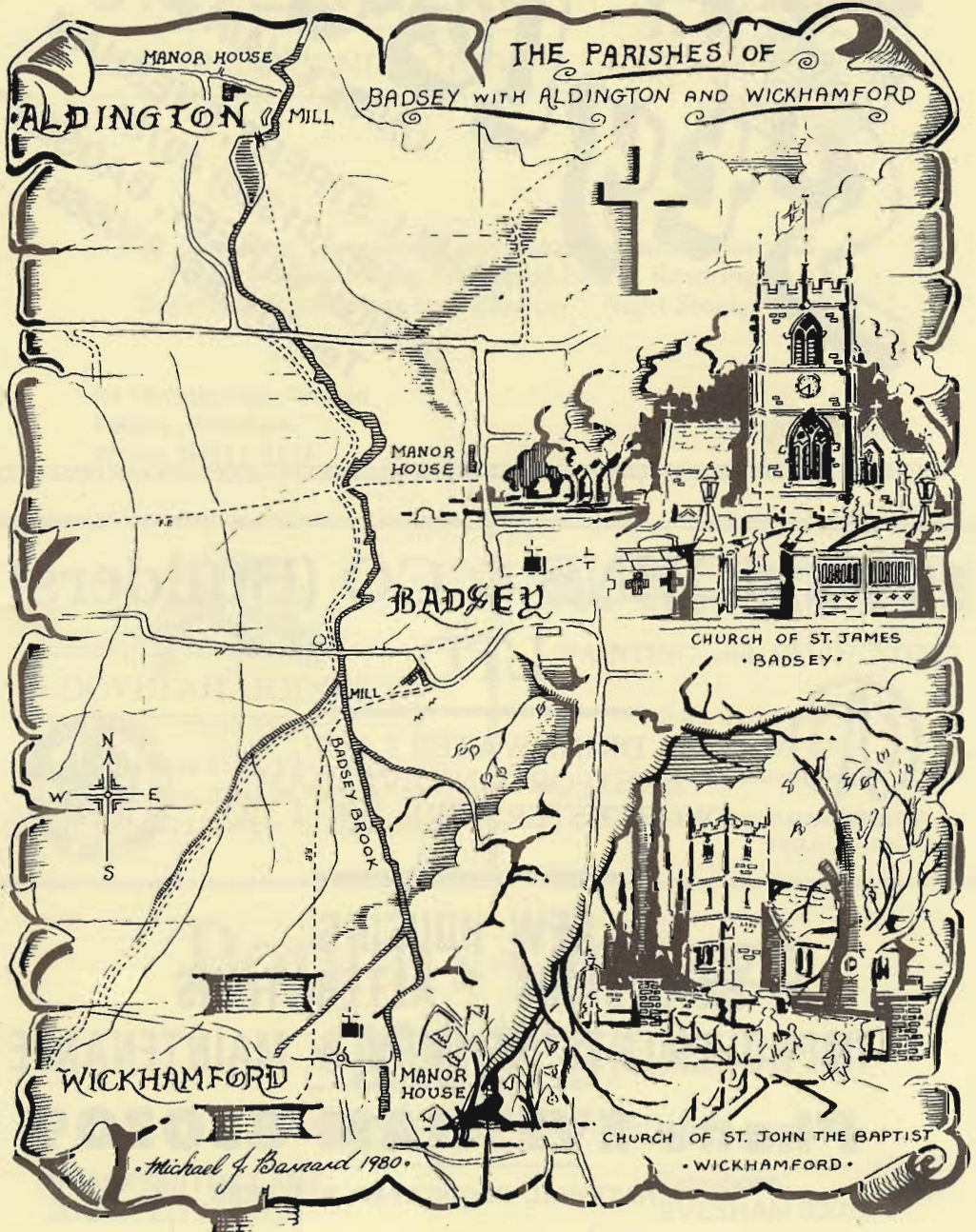


PARISH REVIEW

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The Parishes of Badsey with Aldington, and Wickhamford

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NOTICE FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS OF BADSEY

Some people have asked about plans for the appointment of a new vicar, following the retirement of the Revd. Peter Mitchell on 20th February but, unfortunately, we are unable to provide any precise information.

The Church Commissioners have published a draft scheme for Pastoral Reorganisation which, if approved, will separate Badsey with Aldington from Wickhamford (after about 400 years), then join Wickhamford with Broadway and, finally, create a new united benefice of Badsey with Aldington, and Offenham, and Bretforton. Assuming that no objections are raised, we are advised by the Archdeacon of Worcester that the scheme could be finalised within 3 to 4 months, following which the search for a new vicar of the 3 parishes will begin. He (or she) will live at Badsey Vicarage.

Meanwhile, we are pleased to welcome the Revd. Eric Waterhouse, a retired priest living at Evesham, who will be taking some of the services at Badsey during the Interregnum, as will our Reader, John Callaghan. Mr Waterhouse will officiate at weddings, funerals and baptisms. He is also available for pastoral care and may be contacted at 7 Hazel Avenue, Evesham telephone 421312.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, BADSEY
CHURCH SERVICES - FEBRUARY 1996

FEBRUARY

4th	11.00am Family Eucharist NT Rdg 1 Cor.2.1-10	6.30pm Evensong OT Rdg Isaiah 30.8-21 NT Rdg Matt.4.23-5.12
11th	8.00am Holy Communion NT Rdg 2 Cor.12.1-10	6.30pm Evensong OT Rdg 2 Kings 20 NT Rdg Mark 5.1-20
18th	11.00am Sung Eucharist NT Rdg Col.1.18-23	6.30pm Evensong OT Rdg Hosea 14 NT Rdg Philemon
21st	Ash Wednesday	to be announced
25th	8.00am Holy Communion NT Rdg Heb.4.12-end	6.30pm Sung Eucharist NT Rdg Heb.4.12-end
March		
3rd	11.00am Family Eucharist NT Rdg 1 John 3.1-10	6.30pm Evensong OT Rdg 2 Kings 6.8-23 NT Rdg Luke 19.41-20.8

MID WEEK COMMUNIONS: 7th February

10.00am Holy Communion

This will be the only usual Midweek service during February

SUNDAY THEMES:

Sundays before Easter: 4 Feb Christ the Teacher;

11 Feb Christ the Healer; 18 Feb Christ the Friend of Sinners;

Sundays in Lent: 25 Feb The King and the Kingdom:

1 Temptation; 3 Mar 2 Conflict; 10 Mar 3 Suffering

Details of Church Services for St John the Baptist, Wickhamford etc., appear later in this Parish Review

Parish Review: Grateful thanks are also due to Mrs Christine Davies who has also been a distributor of the Parish Review for many years and to Mrs Chris Print who has kindly taken over from her.

PARISH REGISTERS - BADSEY

Weddings: *"Those who live in love, live in God and God lives in them"*

6 Jan Terry Michael Sandalls and Dawn Carroll Bryant
1996

Funerals: Jesus said, *"I am the resurrection and I am the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die"*

4 Jan Valerie Thomson of "Bramley Cottage,
1996 22, Brewers Lane, Badsey, aged 64 years
(at Badsey and Evesham)

9 Jan Ellen Elizabeth Arthur
of 65, Synehurst Crescent, Badsey,
aged 84 years (at Badsey)

23 Jan Bertha Ena Jones of Malvern House,
High Street, Badsey, aged 88 years
(at Badsey and Cheltenham)

DONATIONS

Christingle Service

Church Collection	£63.86
Christingle Envelopes	£102.48
total:	£166.34

in memory of the late Mrs Valerie Thomson,
towards church funds - £56.80 (collection
at funeral)

in memory of the late Mrs Bertha Ena Jones
towards church funds - £97.36
(collection at funeral)

LATEST DATE FOR COPY FOR MARCH ISSUE of the

Parish Review: Wednesday 14th February
to Mr J Callaghan, 7, School Lane, Badsey

Preparation of new Church Electoral Roll, 1996 - Badsey

The preparation of the new Church Electoral Roll for Badsey with Aldington will take place on Tuesday, 26th March and new application forms are being sent to all those already on the present roll from 19th February onwards. Parishioners are reminded that the latest date for application forms to be received for inclusion on the new roll is Friday, 22nd March.

MOTHERS' UNIONS

We made a good start with a happy and informative meeting for the first one in 1996. Our speaker was Mrs Ingrid Chestnutt of 'Social Concern' who gave us so much to absorb on how the MU works, its aims, what is achieved etc.

PARENTING COURSES had got off the ground. "What can a parent do?" is often the cry when teenagers are in difficulties. This basic course is mainly about communication techniques which is where trouble so often begins.

MARRIAGE - Do we help our youngsters to have realistic expectations of marriage? Again communication is so important.

CARAVAN - There is now sufficient cash in the Francis Samuel Memorial Fund to buy a new six berth caravan to be sited at Harvington as at present. There will be a new coordinator for visitors, cleaning rotas etc. our help is as vital as ever.

CARBON MONOXIDE - M.U. has backed the appeals for legislation to force landlords to have safety checks on all gas appliances before renting out rooms, flats or property. This to reduce the number of fatalities from carbon monoxide poisoning, due to faulty heaters and/or cookers.

FLEET STREET - Crime is news, but it does seem to have got out of all proportion. M.U. is aware of this and is making our views known.

PRISONS - Help goes on at prisons to give fathers opportunity to play with their children at visiting times. Toys, crayons and paper, paints, books are provided. In Worcs. M.U. is very active - and much appreciated - at Blakenhurst. 1995 gave the highest number of prisoners in any one year, the number is expected to rise. Half of all the people remanded do not receive a prison sentence, but they need help to manage their anger and violence. The lack of adequate compensation to victims is also a source of concern.

HELP THE AGED - Our opinion was taken into account when extra VAT was proposed on fuel, eventually the Government's proposal was overturned. We also spoke on behalf of 16,000 war widows who have now had their pensions restored.

FINANCE - M.U. helps with drop-in centres for the homeless, much good work is done at Birmingham Bullring, in conjunction with police and other services.

MESSAGE HOME - This service continues and has proved a blessing to many parents whose children have gone missing. There are about 100,000 children and/or teenagers reported missing each year.

We should be proud of our Mothers Union and the good work we do. Our opinion is sought by the Government on urban, rural and overseas issues. We are regarded as a group of women striving to maintain stable family life, whose views can be relied upon.

Christine Davies

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Feb 7th	10.00am	Corporate Communion
Feb 13th	2.30pm	Mr A Webster, Church Army
Feb 27th	7.30pm	John Cole - Jamboree

CHURCH CLEANING

There are still spaces on the rota for church cleaning. If you are able to help, please enter your name on the rota in the church porch, or contact Christine Davies - 831184. Thank you.

BADSEY ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMENS SECTION

The December meeting was held at Legion Headquarters after the Exhortation Mrs Westmacott introduced the Badsey Girl Guides who sang carols and entertained us with short sketches which members really enjoyed. Mrs Cyril our former Chairman was asked to accept the position of Vice President with many thanks for all the work she has done for the Womens Section. We are pleased to say she accepted.

After the business a Christmas Buffet was organised with sherry, mince pies and sandwiches etc. Christmas cards were exchanged and a grand Christmas Parcel Dip for all members took

place. A competition, "How Many Nuts in a Basket" , was won by Jackie Neal and many members won prizes in our Christmas Draw. This was a very enjoyable evening.

M. Morcombe

ST JAMES FLOWER GUILD

FLOWER ROTA

1st Sunday	Mrs P Robbins and Mrs A Smith
2nd Sunday	
3rd Sunday	Mrs J Gardner and Mrs H Stewart
4th Sunday	Mrs E Seaman and Mrs M Kyte

First of all a Happy New Year to you all, a little late. Thankyou to all the ladies who helped with the arranging of the Christmas flowers. Also for the donations received for flowers and for all the offers of greenery. Sorry I did not manage to get to all the gardens, but the weather was rather wet.

We are losing Daphne and Mary (Callaghan) Christine and Jean also Pat (Mitchell). Thank you all for your help over the years, enjoy your rest. We will miss you.

There will be a meeting of the Flower Guild on Saturday 10th February at 10 o'clock in church. Anyone who would like to join our team will be most welcome.

I would like to wish the Vicar and Pat every happiness in their retirement.

Any queries regarding church flowers please contact me -
Hazel Stewart 832007

ST. JAMES GUILD OF BELLRINGERS

Prior to the service of Communion 27th December 1995. A Quarter Peal of 1260 Changes was rung - 5 Methods - Reverse Canterbury Pleasure 240 changes, Kennington Bob 240

changes, Southrepps Bob 240 Changes, Plain Bob 480 Changes, and Grandsire 60 changes.

Treble	Justin Philpott
2nd	John Bolton
3rd	Laura Merris
4th	Hilary Bolton
5th	Andrew Middlicott (Conductor)
6th	Vicky Cain 1st as cover.

For the 700th Anniversary of the consecration to ST. JAMES.
27-12-1295 - 27-12-1995.

All the ringers in the Guild would like to wish Peter and Pat a very long and happy retirement.

JOINT NOTICES

CHURCH ARMY BOXES

The total amount received from the Church Army boxes was £207.24. Grateful thanks are once again extended to all who help the Church Army in this way. Miss Barbara Lines of 21, Binyon Close, Badsey, Tel: 833901 has taken over as secretary for 1996. New subscribers are always welcome.

ST RICHARD'S HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING

10.30 am - 12.00

THURSDAY 8th FEBRUARY 1996

at THE BROADWAY HOTEL

Coffee and Biscuits 50p

Various Stalls - Raffle

Do come along and give us your support

Personal

Pat and I would like to extend our warmest thanks for the many cards, good wishes and gifts we have received on our retirement, and say how much they are appreciated. They will be a constant reminder of the very happy times we have spent with you in your two lovely churches and in the benefice.

With our love and best wishes and every blessing to you all. Thank you again.

Peter Mitchell

WICKHAMFORD NOTES

- ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

At the P.C.C. meeting held on January 10th the Archdeacon came and gave his reassurance that everything was being done to ensure the new scheme of Pastoral Reorganisation would go through as soon as possible. In the meantime arrangements have now been made for the Rev. John Hodgson, who is a retired Vicar, now living in Childswickham, to take our services from the first Sunday in February (Feb. 4th). We hope as many parishioners as possible will come to the services and welcome John to Wickhamford. Until the legalities are completed and the Queen's signature has been obtained, the churchwardens are responsible for any matters regarding the Church.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Rev. Peter Mitchell, most sincerely, for his pastoral care of Wickhamford during the past 15 years and wish Peter and Pat good health and happiness in their retirement. Anyone who would like to do this personally may do so on Wednesday Feb 7th at Wickhamford Memorial Hall at 7.30 pm, when we will be making a presentation to him on behalf of the parishioners.

Gerard Poulter 830505

Ken Maden 830510

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21st Ash Wednesday to be announced
25th 10.30am Matins OT Rdg Exodus 17.1-13
NT Rdg Matt.26.1-30

March

- 3rd 9.30am The Eucharist NT Rdg 1 John 3.1-10
10th 9.30am The Eucharist NT Rdg 1 Peter 2.19-end

SUNDAY THEMES - as for Badsey

PARISH REGISTERS - WICKHAMFORD

Renewal of Marriage Vows

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

2 Jan Benjamin Arthur and Monica Spiers
1996

DONATIONS

from Mr Benjamin and Mrs Monica Spiers
on the occasion of their 25th Wedding Anniversary,
£25 - towards church funds.

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To Mr Ken Maden, 21, Sally Close, Wickhamford or direct
to A & B Bambury, 18, Sally Close, Wickhamford.

**PREPARATION OF NEW CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL,
1996 - Wickhamford**

The preparation of the new Church Electoral Roll for
Wickhamford will take place on Tuesday, 20th February.
Parishioners are reminded that the latest date for application forms
to be received for inclusion on the new roll is Friday, 16th
February.

WICKHAMFORD SENIOR RESIDENTS
NEW YEAR PARTY IS BEING HELD ON
SATURDAY 10th FEBRUARY IN THE VILLAGE HALL
AT 5pm

To give us some idea of how many to cater for could you please
give your name in to either:

Mrs J. Heritage, Mrs C. Whiting or Mrs M. Winkett

WICKHAMFORD WI

Barbra Carroll, President, welcomed members to the first
meeting of 1996. Members were Informed of the AGM in
Malvern 18 March when Bill Giles, the weather man, will be one
of the guest speakers. Shopping at Beatties in Worcester again and
The Animal, Bird, Fish Quiz, were included in the business
matters. Has anyone seen the scrap book? As outside caterers
were preparing our Annual Dinner in the village hall this year, so
we could leave our rubber gloves at home, it was suggested that a
'posh frock' night would be nice. Our speaker for this evening
was Carmela Ramsbottom an Aromatherapist who informed us of

the special properties of lavender, rose, lemon grass and many other flowers Sue Rand was the lucky recipient of a head/face and neck massage.

Our next meeting will be February 8 when we will hear about the history of London stores.

WICKHAMFORD FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Our first meeting of 1996 was held at the Memorial Hall on Jan 3rd and thirty-nine members attended to renew their subscriptions, an improvement on last year. Our Secretary had been trying to arrange a visit to see Rolf Harris in "Jack and the Bean Stalk" in Birmingham, but was unable to get a block booking, which meant that members would be sitting in groups of two or three all over the theatre, so it was decided to use the funds for some other outing later in the year. She also spoke of the difficulty of obtaining speakers or other entertainers to come to the club on a Wednesday afternoon, and any suggestions for a solution to this problem would be very much appreciated. There would normally be a small fee payable. Birthday buttonholes were presented to Mrs Allchurch, Mrs Smith, Mrs Barker, Mr Kitcher, Mr White, and Mr Steiner. As there was no speaker booked for the meeting the Secretary's husband, Mr Bob Winkett, brought along his projector and screen and a good number of slides, and kept us well entertained for an hour or so with pictures and commentary of places they had visited over the years, some local and some world wide. The photography was excellent and it made a very interesting change. After the show tea was served with mince pies and chocolate sponge, (it must have been somebody's birthday), and the raffle was drawn and we all departed for home. We have no news yet of a speaker for our next meeting, (Feb: 7th) so please if you can help, let Mrs Winkett know, remember we are all equal members of the club.

D. S.