

# THE PARISH OF BADSEY WITH ALDINGTON



# NEWSLETTER

**JANUARY, 1998.**

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**Dear Friends,**

A new Year brings with it new hopes and new worries; new opportunities and new missed chances. A nostalgic look back at the past, or a hope that the future can provide something better. For millions of people in the world, the hope has to be that things will get better: people who are starving through war, crop failure or sheer human greed and selfishness. We often see such people on television and wish that their lot would improve. However, unless we are prepared to play our part - whatever that might be - such wishes are hypocrisy.

The same issue, of whether to indulge in nostalgia, or to look for a future hope, has to be part of our life here too. It is all too easy to look to the past. However, the future is where we shall spend the rest of our lives and we have the task of making it what it needs to be. Whatever our part in society, we need to act creatively and confidently so that in a few years time we, and others, do not have to moan of lost opportunities or wonder why things never happened as we might have wished. Human mythology has plenty of stories about people who looked back and thereby brought about their own downfall. I'm for the future and for making it the present in which we would want to live.

With very best wishes for the new year,

**ADRIAN.**

## PARISH REGISTERS.

### BAPTISMS:

30th November.

ALEXANDRA JADE COATES.

### MARRIAGES:

6th December.

STEVEN MICHAEL PRICE and  
EMMA KATE BASFORD.

### FUNERALS:

15th December.	RONALD THOMAS EAGLES followed by Cremation at Cheltenham.
19th December.	MAURICE HAY followed by Cremation at Cheltenham.
23rd December.	GEORGE WILCOX followed by Cremation at Worcester.
	LINDA JANE FLINT followed by Burial.
	MARGARET ELAINE LEWIS followed by Burial.

## SAINT JAMES' FLOWER GUILD.

### JANUARY, 1998 ROTA.

1st Sunday:	Mary Clarke.	&	Hazel Stewart.
2nd Sunday:	Maureen Davies.	&	Sandra Sparrow.
3rd Sunday:	Pat Goldstraw.	&	Sue Goldstraw.
4th Sunday:	Hazel Stewart.		

First, a Happy and Healthy New Year to you all. Ladies, thank you for your help and support during 1997. The Church flowers always look lovely. The rota is the same as usual for January but I will have to change it around in the future. If there is any lady, or gent, who would like to join our little team you will be made most welcome. Please 'phone me and I will give you details.

Our best wishes go to Esmé and we are glad to hear she is on the way to recovery.

Thank you to those who gave Christmas flowers, donations and foliage.

Any queries regarding Church flowers please contact me.

**HAZEL STEWART: 832007.**



## MOTHERS' UNION.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

JANUARY, 1998.

- 7th. 10.00 a.m. Corporate Communion. Coffee to follow at  
6. Chapel Street.
- 13th. 2.30 p.m. Meeting. The Vicar.
- 28th. 7.00 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. Party at the Remembrance Hall.

## CHURCH SERVICES.

JANUARY, 1998

- Sunday, 4th. 11.00 a.m. All Age Worship.  
6.30 p.m. Sung Eucharist.
- Wednesday, 7th. 10.00 a.m. Corporate Communion.
- Sunday, 11th. 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion.  
6.30 p.m. Evensong.
- Sunday, 18th. 11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer.  
6.30 p.m. Evensong.
- Sunday, 25th. 10.30 a.m. CONFIRMATION SERVICE  
(Bishop of Dudley)  
6.30 p.m. Evensong.

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Baptising  
service?*

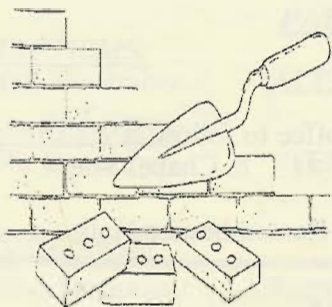
### A THOUGHT FOR THE NEW YEAR:

I am sure many of us older ones will remember a quotation which King George the Sixth used in one of his Christmas Broadcasts. I would like to recall it for you and, at the same time, pass it on to the younger generation who were not around at that time. With so many opportunities available today perhaps young people find it even more difficult than we did to make right decisions! Anyway, here it is:-

"I said to the man who stood at the door of the year, 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown'; and he replied, 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than any light and safer than any known way'".

May that Almighty Hand guide and uphold us all through the days of the year which lies ahead.

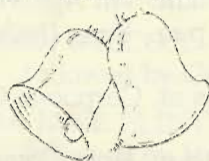
JOHN CALLAGHAN. (Reader)



**HELLO THERE !!**  
**WILL YOU HELP US BUILD?**  
**A GOOD TEAM OF**  
**BELL RINGERS**  
**IN 1998**

**FOR DETAILS CONTACT:**

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**WE REALLY DO NEED YOU!**

**FORTHCOMING EVENT:**



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**MADEIRA**  
**&**  
**MINCE PIE**  
**EVENING**

**FRIDAY, 30TH JANUARY, 1998**

**at**

**7, SCHOOL LANE, BADSEY.**

**7.15 p.m. till 9.45 p.m.**

**BRING & BUY, RAFFLE, GAMES.**

**ADMISSION BY TICKET: £1.20.**

***(All proceeds to Saint James' Church, Badsey.)***