

ST. JAMES CHURCH, BADSEY WITH ALDINGTON

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During this month, I have been to two different places, on two consecutive days, both of which have left an impression on me.

The first was at Chatsworth gardens; it was a fountain by Angela Cutton called "Revelation." This was placed in a very quiet corner of the garden being hidden by a fence. I Walked around the wooden surroundings and found the entrance and just could not believe what I saw, a very unusual two-toned fountain, shaped like a silver flower that when opened revealed a bronzed coloured globe spouting water. It would be possible to spend hours just in the tranquilly of that environment.

The other was completely different at the Academy of Quilts held at the NEC. There were over 1500 quilts from many parts of the world, all of different shape, sizes, designs, and colour. All worth looking at just to see how they were created.

On both these days, the thing that impressed me the most was that in each item which had been created., each artist had the gifts of skill and patience for the work; love of creating the work, and kindness for allowing others to share with them their joy of the completed article.

God is the fountain of love. His love for us, his creation, for each and everyone of us is unique, just like the quilts.

Penny Christison

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CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 5 th September	11.00.a.m. 6.30.p.m.	Family Worship with Baptism Evensong
Sunday 12 th September	11.00.a.m. 6.30.p.m.	Praise and Worship Holy Communion
Sunday 19 th September	10.45.a.m. 6.30.p.m.	Walk For Peace Songs of Praise
Sunday 26 th September	9.30.a.m. 6.30.p.m.	Holy Communion Evensong

BADSEY REGISTER (up to 20th August 2004)

Baptisms:	1 st August	Joshua Brook Pomeroy
	1 st August	Naomi Grace Ballinger
	22 nd August	Madison Lauren Chubb

FAMILY WORSHIP WITH BAPTISM – SUNDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER

This Family Worship Service with Baptism will be taken by Bishop David (Bishop of Dudley) and will be a reunion for all those recently baptised. Refreshments will be served after the service. All are welcome to join in this service.

PEOPLE'S WALK FOR PEACE – SUNDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER AT 10.45.A.M.

People's Walk For Peace supporting United Nations Day of Peace. Start from the Church grounds followed by a short act of worship to include your own personal contribution in the form of prayers, thoughts or short poems. Letters to the Prime Minister asking for his support for the 'PEACE ONE DAY' movement may be brought to the service for blessing and forwarding on. The service may be held in the open air, weather permitting. If you have any queries telephone Sheila Lancaster on 833929 or Sue Cole on 831260.

SPONSORED SONGS OF PRAISE – SUNDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

Hope you have all filled in your sponsor sheets and chosen your favourite hymns to sing at the annual Songs of Praise. To take part in this enjoyable fund raising event follow the instructions on the form enclosed with last month's newsletter place it in an envelope with your sponsor money and return it to The Churchwardens, The Editor, at Middlebank Aldington or post it in the box in the Spar Shop. Whether you vote or not do come along to the Church for a good hymn singing service on Sunday 19th September.

MOTHERS UNION

Monday 6th September

Wave of Prayer in Church 9.30.a.m. to
10.00.a.m.

Tuesday 14th September at 2.00.p.m

"Shoe Boxes" with Bob James

We are pleased to welcome any visitors who would like to come along to any of our meetings.

SANDRA SPARROW

HYMN SINGING AND HANDBELL RINGING

At Badsey Royal British Legion on Wednesday 22nd September 11.00a.m. to 12 noon. All welcome so do come along and join in the fun and friendship.

EVENSONG – SUNDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER AT 6.30.P.M.

This evensong is being led by women with women world-wide in mind. Everyone welcome. Do come along.

ANNUAL CHEESE AND WINE EVENING

A very big thank you to all who came along and supported this event on Friday 13th August. It was a lovely, successful evening with so many people attending. Many thanks to all who helped in any way. We raised an unexpected sum of £387.51 for Church Funds. A big thank you to Keith Hartop for allowing us to use the Barn and Gardens and thanks also to Mrs. Patsy Miller.

NEXT EVENT – HARVEST SUPPER

This is being held on Saturday 9th October at Badsey Remembrance Hall. Tickets available middle of September from all usual sources. Watch your village notice boards for further details later in the month.

BADSEY CHURCH ACTIVITY CLUB (BC AC) formerly the Activity Group

Will start up on Saturday 4th September at 10.30.a.m. till 12 noon. All children aged 4 – 8 years old welcome. The Club will take place in Church on the first Saturday of every month as before. There will be a small charge for each child to cover materials and refreshments. Do come along and join in the fun. Any queries please ring Emma Blyth on 01386 831561.

A Celtic Benediction

Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing air to you.
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the shining stars to you.
Deep peace of the Son of Peace to you.

ST. JAMES FLOWER GUILD ROTA –September 2004

1 st Sunday	Mrs Hazel Smith and Mrs Hazel Stewart
2 nd Sunday	Mrs Pat Goldstraw and Mrs Sue Goldstraw
3 rd Sunday	Mrs Mary Clarke and Mrs Margaret Castle
4 th Sunday	Mrs Julie Gardner and Mrs Eleanor Sams

Thank you ladies for the flowers in Church during August. Any donations of garden flowers are always gratefully received. Any queries regarding Church flowers please contact me on 832007. **Hazel Stewart**

BADSEY AND ALDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 15th September at the Remembrance Hall at 7.30.p.m.

BADSEY REMEMBRANCE HALL

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd September at 7.30.p.m. in the Remembrance Hall. A big thank you to all who donated cakes for our stall at the Annual Flower Show. We raised a total of £146.70.

BADSEY WEBSITES

There are now 2 websites. For historical matters there is still www.badsey.net, but for current information on village organisations there is www.badsey.org.uk

MOTHER AND TODDLER GROUP

This will be resuming on Thursday 9th September at the Village Hall 10.30.am to 11.30.am. All are welcome and we look forward to meeting some new faces. £1.50 per family.

10th Birthday Celebrations – on Saturday 18th September the Nursery School will have been in the present building for 10 years. To mark the occasion we would like to invite past children and their parents to join us and other guests during the morning from 10.00.am to 12 noon. Light refreshments will be available. If you have any photographs etc. do bring them along. Further details can be obtained by telephoning 01386 48943. **Heather Gibbons**

FUTURE EVENTS

Saturday 9th October – Harvest Supper

Saturday 6th November – Penny Trail through the Churchyard for
'Children In Need' Appeal.

Saturday 11th December – Concert by 'The Evesham Singers' in the Church

(Look for full details of these events in future Newsletters)