

ST. JAMES CHURCH, BADSEY WITH ALDINGTON

Parish Newsletter

MAY 2006

On the last day, of the benefice visit to our German partnership, just as we were leaving, the cars drew up by a commemorative stone, to Georg Müller. Ashamed to say none of us knew who he was since then I have found out that he was a great man of simple faith.

George Müller was born in Kroppenstadt, Prussia, in 1805, attended the Cathedral school in Halberstadt then finally Halle University. By all accounts he was a wild young man.

He arrived in Bristol in 1832, where God had asked him to build an orphanage, with two shillings (10p) in his pocket. Without making his wants known, but to God alone, enough money came to him for the building and maintaining the orphan's homes. Those waifs and strays in the Muller homes never went without a meal. Such was the faith of prayer that George Müller had. A great gift.

Today the George Muller Foundation has become a worldwide organisation caring for the elderly, families, community work, and missionary work Jesus said, "Ask and you shall receive", but we need to do it in this way. Asking God, to help us through Jesus Christ, our mediator, and the Holy Spirit.

Most of us pray at a time of crisis in our lives. It is right that we should but perhaps we should ask God to help others less fortunate than ourselves.

If each of us were a bit more like George Müller, a person who believed in the power of prayer. Our whole outlook on life could change allowing God to do his work freely.

Penny Christison

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SERVICES FOR MAY 2006

Sunday 7 th May	11.00.a.m. 6.30. p.m.	Family Worship Evensong
Sunday 14 th May	11.00.a.m. 6.30. p.m.	Praise and Worship Eucharist
Sunday 21 st May Rogation Sunday	10.30.a.m. 6.30.p.m.	Benefice Eucharist outdoors at Offenham School - inside if wet Evensong
Sunday 28 th May	9.30.a.m. 6.30.p.m.	Eucharist Evensong

Morning Prayer is said at 0.745 each Weekday at Badsey except Tuesday and Wednesday, which are a Eucharist. There is also a monthly Eucharist service on the **FIRST** Wednesday in the month at 10.00.a.m. at Badsey

Please note: Following Easter the Vicar is changing his day off from Mondays to Thursdays.

PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS	2 April	Vienna Grace Davies
	2 April	Niall Jacob Grove
FUNERAL SERVICES	7 April	Bert Morcombe
	6 April	Nancy Gwendoline Pritchard
	20 April	Sidney Coldicott
	24 April	Reginald Kyte (Reg was for many years organist at St James Church, Badsey)

MOTHERS UNION

Tuesday 2 nd May	7.30.p.m.	Quiet Evening at All Saints, Evesham with Janet Stean
Wednesday 3 rd May	10.00.a.m.	Communion
Tuesday 9 th May	2.30.p.m.	"The Three Loves of My Life" With Sophie Dodds

We welcome anyone who would like to come along to any of our meetings.

SANDRA SPARROW

MOTHERS UNION SPECIAL OPEN MEETING

This will take place on Tuesday 23rd May at 7.30.p.m. at St. James Church., Badsey, when the speaker will talk on Mercy Ships. This will be a very interesting and enlightening talk on ships that are fitted out with small operating theatres and sail to third world countries where they are able to perform minor operations. These operations are very small and cheap to perform but save lives and suffering for so many people who do not have access to any type of medical care. All are welcome to come along and hear about this wonderful work. Donations will be taken on the evening towards this work so do come along and hear about and support this very worthwhile work.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM)

The APCM took place on 6th April at 7.30.p.m. Churchwardens elected were Mr Chris Robbins and Mr Chris Smith. Mr Chris Smith is taking over from Mrs Sue Cole who has been Churchwarden for 9 years and is now to train to become a Reader. We wish Sue well and thank her for her dedication and work as Churchwarden. We also offer our sincere thanks to Mr Terry Sparrow who resigned as Treasurer of St. James Church after 9 years of very competently looking after our finances and guiding us through the many pitfalls encountered with the Church 'housekeeping'.

NEW VILLAGE MAGAZINE COMING SOON

St. James Church Badsey with Aldington are pleased to announce that as from June or July the Newsletter will become an 8 page Village Magazine which will carry news and items from all groups and organisations of the village and close surrounding area. It is our aim to bring you items of interest, news, events, stories/tales, information etc. as well as the usual Church news. To enable us to do this we need your HELP. If you have any news or information you would like broadcast to the village, if you have any funny or interesting stories, if you would like to publicise your events, meetings or outings, if you have pictures or photographs you would like put with your articles then please send your information, photographs etc to the Editor of the current Newsletter, Yvonne Haynes at 4 Seward Close, Badsey, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 7FW. Telephone No. 01386 830063 or even better, if you have the facility, e-mail to ymhaynes@aol.com. The information will then be collated and forwarded to the Publishers. This is a new venture we hope will be successful with your help. Every house will receive a free copy every month

BBQ IN CELEBRATION OF H.M. QUEEN ELIZABETH'S 80TH BIRTHDAY

To be held at the Vicarage on Friday 9th June at 7.30.p.m. Tickets £4.50 to include wine and food. Tickets available from same persons as those listed below for concert tickets.

AN IMPORTANT DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

We are pleased to announce that the renowned 'ABBW VALE MALE VOICE CHOIR' WILL BE IN CONCERT AT ST. JAMES CHURCH, BADSEY WITH ALDINGTON ON SATURDAY 17TH JULY. The concert will take place at 7.30.p.m. and tickets will cost £10.00 to include wine in the interval. The Choir are well known throughout the country and are much in demand, so we are privileged to have them in our village Church. Tickets are available from Annette and Chris Robbins, Yvonne Haynes, Chris Print, Hazel Smith, Wendy Such, Chris Smith and Terry Sparrow.

ST. JAMES FLOWER GUILD ROTA – May 2006

1 st Sunday	Stephanie Hartley and Yvonne Haynes
2 nd Sunday	Maureen Davies and Sandra Sparrow
3 rd Sunday	Annette Robbins and Sheila Taylor
4 th Sunday	Pat Goldstraw and Sue Goldstraw

If you are having floral decorations for a wedding done by outside florists please notify me so that the flower rota can be re-arranged accordingly. If you have any queries regarding Church Flowers please contact me on 01386 832007. **HAZEL STEWART**

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BADSEY FLOWER SHOW

The Badsey Flower Show will take place on Saturday 22nd July at the Recreation Ground, Sands Lane, Badsey. Schedules will be available from beginning of May or details can be got from the web site www.badsey.org.uk/FlowerShow.

BADSEY AND ALDINGTON PARISH MEETINGS

The Badsey Parish Meeting (Annual) will take place on Wednesday 31st May at the Remembrance Hall, Badsey at 6.30 to 7.30.p.m. Aldington Parish Meeting will follow at 7.45 to 8.45.p.m.

BADSEY REMEMBRANCE HALL

The new Caretaker of the hall is Mrs. Susan England of 10 Fields Lane, Badsey. For All enquiries and bookings please contact Sue on (01386) 832272.

THE EVESHAM VOLUNTEER CENTRE FASHION SHOW – The Centre will be holding a Fashion Show at The Remembrance Hall, Badsey on Wednesday 3rd May at 7.00. for 7.30.p.m. Tickets are £5.00 and if purchased in advance from The Volunteer Centre, Wallace House, Oat Street, Evesham and £6.00 on the night (subject to availability). The Show will be opened by The Mayor of Evesham and the clothes will be available for sale after the show.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 14-20 MAY 2006

Christian Aid is an agency of the churches in the UK and Ireland wherever the need is the greatest - irrespective of religion or race.

We believe in strengthening people to find solutions to their own problems, so we support local organisations best placed to understand local needs. We also help them through 16 overseas offices. We are striving for an end to poverty and campaigning to change the rules that keep the people poor.

A Christian Aid envelope will be delivered with the newsletter. Please post the filled envelope in the box in the Spa Shop. Alternatively it can be delivered to the Vicarage, Middlebank Aldington, to the churchwardens, any member of the Church Council or delivered to 45 Bretforton Road.

We look forward to your support. Thank you.

Sue Cole