

# The Bugle

Parish news from  
Badsey and  
Aldington

October 2006

## Village hall threatened by thoughtless behaviour

Badsey Remembrance Hall has sustained significant damage to its guttering, roof tiles and windows. Its current state of disrepair is due largely to repeated onslaughts by footballs kicked at it from the surrounding green, especially during the school summer holidays.

It appears that rogue footballers are using a goal post to bang and shake the guttering when footballs are kicked onto it. As a result, guttering has fallen off and tiles have broken.

"The Hall is a self-funding charity and relies on fundraising for its upkeep," says a member of the Remembrance Hall Committee.

"The repairs to the roof and guttering will cost at least £1,000 and as the Committee can't afford these bills, we'll have to make a claim on our insurance."

This will result in much higher insurance premiums having to be paid, which in turn means more and more

money needed to be raised.

"At the moment the committee has agreed to allow the children to continue playing on the green, but if further damage occurs, there will be no choice but to have ball games around the Hall banned.

"We would ask all parents reading this article to speak to your children about this matter and also to be aware of the extent of the damage being caused.

"The Hall is used a lot and it would be a great pity and an insult to those who raised the money and gave the Hall in remembrance of people who had lost their lives fighting for us, if its future was threatened. Children need to be aware of the consequences of their actions."

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*If anyone would like to make a donation to the Remembrance Hall, or get involved with fund raising please contact a committee member.*

### ***RUMBLE IN THE JUMBLE***

***The Evesham Volunteer Centre is holding a Jumble Sale at the Remembrance Hall on Saturday, 21 October – doors open at 2pm. Come along and find lots of bargains and support your local charity which assists many in the village.***

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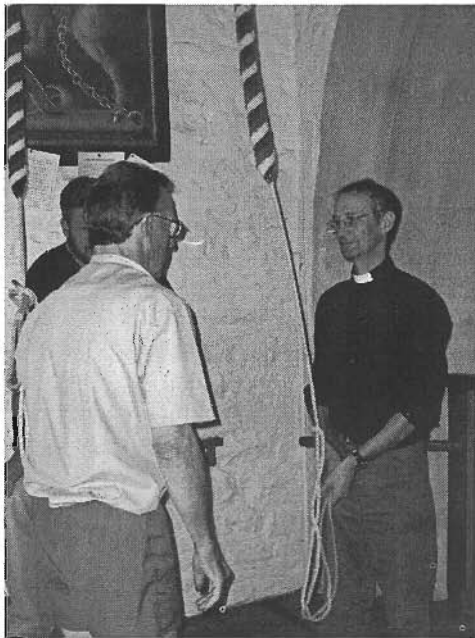
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## Sounded good to him!

*It was good vibrations all round when Revd. Richard Court tried his hand at the art of bell ringing on the open day of the bell tower, when the bells celebrated their 300th anniversary. Judging by his expression, it wasn't as easy as the experts made out!*

## Urgently needed for poppies

As you probably read in last month's Bugle, Badsey Legion urgently requires people to sell poppies door to door. November 11th is perhaps the biggest historical event of the 20th Century. A time when we remember the thousands of men and women who gave their life to ensure we had freedom. Those who remember the war years and indeed fought in them, are dwindling in numbers but so great was their sacrifice they should never, ever be forgotten. Can you spare a couple of hours selling poppies in your street or any part of Badsey and Aldington? If you can then please contact Les Grinnell on 01386 831228 who will be only too pleased to hear from you. It is now up to younger generations to make sure these valiant men and women are not forgotten.

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Hazel Smith, (832263); Wendy Such (832283);

Terry Sparrow (833368) and Churchwardens

## Building the next Bridge

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## God's Boxes

*I have in my hands two boxes,  
Which God gave me to hold.  
He said, "Put all your sorrows in the black box,  
And all your joys in the gold."*

*I heeded His words, and in the two boxes,  
Both my joys and sorrows I stored,  
But though the gold became heavier each day,  
The black was as light as before.*

*With curiosity, I opened the black,  
I wanted to find out why,  
And I saw, in the base of the box, a hole,  
Which my sorrows had fallen out by.*

from Revd. Richard Court

*I showed the hole to God, and mused,  
"I wonder where my sorrows could be!"  
He smiled a gentle smile and said,  
"My child, they're all here with me."*

*I asked God, why He gave me the boxes,  
Why the gold and the black with the hole?  
"My child, the gold is for you to count your blessings,  
The black is for you to let go."*

*We should consider all of our friends a blessing.  
Send this to a friend today just to let them know you  
are thinking of them and that they are a joy in your life*

## All about the harvest festival

Badsey and Aldington's Harvest Festival will be held at St. James Church on Sunday 1st October at 11am. All donations of food and produce can be brought to the service or left in the Church. This year all donations will be given to the Christian Centre in Bewdley Street Evesham. The "Caring Hands in the Vale" organisation part of the Centre aims to help the relief of poverty and need in the Vale of Evesham, providing food parcels, toiletries, bedding etc. to those in need, those who are homeless/sleeping rough. They also have the "Caring Hands Diner" where referred people can receive a hot meal once a week

Harvest Festival used to be celebrated at the beginning of the Harvest season on 1 August and was called Lammas, meaning "loaf Mass". Farmers made loaves of bread from the new wheat crop and gave them to their local Church. They were then used as the Communion bread during a special mass thanking God for the harvest. The custom ended when Henry VIII broke away from the Catholic Church, and nowadays we have harvest festivals at the end of the season.

Farmers celebrated the end of the harvest with a big meal called a harvest supper, eaten on Michaelmas Day.



This was rather like a Christmas dinner, but as turkeys were unknown at that time, a goose stuffed with apples was eaten. Goose Fairs are still held in some English towns, but geese are no longer sold at them.

The tradition of celebrating Harvest Festival in churches as we know it today began in 1843, when the Reverend Robert Hawker invited parishioners to a special thanksgiving service for the harvest at his church at Morwenstow in Cornwall. Victorian hymns such as "We plough the fields and scatter", "Come ye thankful people, come" and "All things bright and beautiful" helped popularise his idea of harvest festival and spread the annual custom of decorating churches with home-grown produce for the Harvest Festival service.

## THE UNITED BENEFICE OF BADSEY WITH ALDINGTON

Badsey With Aldington	1 OCTOBER St Michael (White)	8 OCTOBER 17th after Trinity (Green)	15 OCTOBER St Luke (Red)	22 OCTOBER 19th after Trinity (Green)	29 OCTOBER 20th after Trinity (Green)
	11am Family Worship for Harvest 6.30pm Harvest Evensong	11am Praise & Worship  6.30pm Eucharist	11am Confirmation at St Michael Broadway  6.30pm Evensong	9.30am Eucharist  6.30pm Evensong	6.30pm Evensong

Morning Prayer is said at 07.45am each weekday at Badsey except Thursday. There is also a monthly Eucharist service on the FIRST Wednesday in the Month at 10am at Badsey

# Mother's Union

Dear Friends

The saying goes "Money is the Root of all evil", but this has been misinterpreted. It should read "The love of money is the root of all evil".

This is alright, though, if you have money, but what about the growing population who don't have enough to live on. They can't love what they haven't got. To them money is the root of all evil.

A programme was on TV this last week. A very nice young woman had a house and two children. Her fuel bills were rising at such a rate that they were overtaking her income.

The programme also highlighted the rate at which fuel bills of pensioners are rising compared to their incomes. Instead of trying to help these disadvantaged people the utilities companies insisted these people had prepaid metres installed to pay their bills. This is the most expensive way of paying for their heating and cooking. The pensioner couple interviewed said they're having to turn their heating down to the lowest point, put extra

## Dates for your diary

Wednesday 4th Oct at 10.00am - Communion  
 Tuesday 10th Oct at 2.30pm - Speaker: Rev. Richard Court

### CHURCH LIGHTING PROJECT

We are grateful for an anonymous donation of £100 towards the outside lighting project at the Church.

### THE BADSEY SOCIETY

On Friday 10th November we shall have a visit from Colonel John Lowles, who will speak on the subject of The Worcestershire Regiment.

The talk will be held in St. James Church, Badsey commencing at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

### Bugles Kids ● Bugles Kids ● Bugles Kids

#### Spidery fingerprints for Halloween

These are so simple and quick to make and a great way to decorate stationery, tablewear or party bags!

You will need:

An ink pad (washable ink only!) or a small amount of black poster paint (poured over a pad of kitchen roll in a saucer or lid)

Black pen

Googly eyes or scraps of paper

Glue

You press your thumb or finger onto the ink pad and make a thumb print on a piece of white paper or card. Using a black pen you then draw in the legs, then attach googly eyes with a small dot of glue. Simple!

clothing on and wrap themselves in blankets just to keep reasonably warm. And we call ourselves a civilized society

At the same time it was announced that the government was withholding 50 million pounds earmarked for third world countries. There were so many conditional put on this money that it was impossible for the third world countries to meet. Shouldn't love be unconditional and doesn't that include love of money.

Didn't Jesus come for the poor, the marginalized, the outcasts in society. He didn't make his love conditional. Christianity is more than saying a few prayers for the poor, it is getting off our backsides and doing something.

*With my very best wishes, Sheila*

## From the Parish Registers

### Badsey with Aldington

#### Baptisms

20 August Daniel John Oldfield  
 20 August Caitlin Georgina Pomeroy

#### Funeral Services

31 August Sarah Alice Perkins  
 14 September Natasha Jane Putnam  
 18 September Gordon Granville Walters

#### Holy Matrimony

19 August Robert Andrew Smith & Amy Louise Speake  
 25 August Michael Roger Creaton & Janet Ramsay

## St James' Flower Guild October Rota

It is Harvest festival on Sunday, 1st October, so the Flower Guild will meet to decorate the Church on Saturday, 30th September at 9.30pm. Harvest gifts and flowers will be appreciated. Anyone wishing to donate these items can bring them along to the Church on the Saturday morning or leave them in Church on the Friday.

2nd Sunday Maureen Davies and Sandra Sparrow  
 3rd Sunday Annette Robbins and Sheila Taylor  
 4th Sunday Avril Court, Hazel Smith and Hazel Stewart  
 5th Sunday Pat and Sue Goldstraw

If there are any queries regarding Church flowers for weddings or any other occasion please contact Hazel Stewart on 01386 832007.

## BADSEY AND ALDINGTON

### PARISH COUNCIL

Also the date for the next Parish Council Meeting is Wednesday 18th October 2006 (precept) at the Remembrance Hall, Badsey at 7.30pm.

## HOME & GARDEN

Bring in tender perennials, trim and store in a frost-free place. Mulch your border with homemade compost. Start a new compost heap. Continue to plant bulbs in the open garden. Enrich the soil in the planting hole with a sprinkling of bonemeal.

This is also a good time of year to plant new shrubs and perennials. The warmth in the soil will help them to get quickly established. Be sure to water in dry weather.

The amount of material suitable for composting multiplies now. Summer bedding, trimmings from perennials and fallen leaves will all rot down, so don't waste them. Use up all your existing homemade compost to mulch around established borders or to add to planting mixtures for new plants. Then start a new compost heap.

October is a good time of year to move established evergreens and conifers. Dig them up with the biggest rootball you can manage and prepare the new planting site well. Don't forget to water in the relocated plants for several weeks after their move.

### Roses

If blackspot or rust is a problem try and pick off infected leaves as far as you can and dispose of them – don't put them on the compost heap. If they fall to the ground and blow about they will spread the infections next year.

### Lawns

New lawns can be laid or sown on well-prepared sites, while established lawns can be raked, aerated with a fork and fed with Autumn Lawn Food.

### Greenhouse

Stop watering tuberous begonias and allow the tops to die off. Then remove the tubers from the compost and store in a cool, dry place. Bring late-flowering pot-grown chrysanthemums into the greenhouse for some late colour, and wash shading off the windows and consider insulating your greenhouse with bubblepack

### Vegetable Garden

Harvest carrots and potatoes, making sure the crops are clean and dry before you put them into storage. Marrows can be stored once their skins have been hardened in the sun. Finish picking tomatoes before the plants become diseased.

### Herb Garden

To ensure a supply of fresh mint and chives during winter dig up some roots and plant them 5cm (2 inches) deep in a seed tray in Multi-Purpose Compost. Keep the tray in the greenhouse.



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# GET BAKING AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

There is no better way to say thank you to someone than to bake them a gorgeous cake.

So, with this theme in mind, a charity called Community Service Volunteers (CSV) is holding its annual "Make A Difference Day" on 28 October. This annual event is a chance for everyone to celebrate and recognise all the hard work done by the millions of volunteers in the UK who give so generously of their time helping others.

CSV would like you to help them say thank you to some of these volunteers by baking your favourite cake. They'll contribute by giving you a bag of Billingtons golden caster sugar and flour to help with the cost and a box of tea bags to go with your cake to make the perfect gift.

Once you have baked your cake they'd like you to nominate someone who you think should receive it and

tell them who and why. They might even come with you to deliver the cake and capture the surprise on camera.

You all know some people in your village who make a difference to the lives of others. It may be your postman or milkman, or the person always ready to help a young mum babysitting or doing some shopping for an elderly neighbour. Or you may choose a hospice volunteer, charity shop helper or the organiser of the local scouts or guides... the choice is yours

If you want to take part in "Make A Difference Day" call Sue Broome or Jacci Phillips at BBC Hereford & Worcester Action in Partnership with CSV on 0845 300 5006 and register to receive your goodie bag. Please let us know by 6th October so that we can make sure you have your free ingredients in time.

## Recipe Club

### Cinnamon Pear Cake

*For the pears:*

740g ripe Rocha or Conference pears

Half a lemon

40g butter

3 tbs brown sugar

1 tsp ground cinnamon

*For the cake:*

200g caster sugar

200g butter

200g self-raising flour

Half heaped tsp baking powder

3 large eggs, lightly beaten

*Peel the pears, halve, core and cut them into chunks. Sprinkle them with the lemon juice to stop them from going brown.*

*Melt the butter, sugar and cinnamon in a shallow pan, stirring occasionally. Add the pears and cook until they are tender and the sauce coats the pears. Leave to cool.*

*Preheat the oven to 170 degrees C, 325 degrees F or gas mark 3. Beat the sugar and butter together until fluffy and sift the flour and baking powder together.. Gradually add the eggs and then fold in the flour. Finally stir in the cooked pears and their sauce.*

*Pour into a lightly buttered non-stick 24cm cake tin and bake for 45-50 mins. until risen and golden. Check if it's cooked using a metal skewer – it should come out clean. Serve warm with Vanilla Ice Cream or softly whipped cream*

## Receiving a special gift

At Evensong on Sunday, 10th September four young Confirmation candidates were presented with a bible each by the Reverend Eric Waterhouse.

The bibles, a gift from the Church, are presented at the beginning of their studies and they are encouraged to use them for their classes.

The four candidates will be confirmed at Broadway in January next year, along with other candidates from the local Parish Churches.

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But what a waste, you cry! Surely something can be done that doesn't involve chucking the whole lot out in true Trinny and Suzannah style?

Well it can. A solution has come to us in the shape of Danielle, who has recently moved her tailoring and alterations business to Broadway.

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More women are joining Badsey WI and finding out just what fun, friendship and activities there are on offer, from decorative box making and hand made cards to jewellery design.

WI members are more likely to be found walking over fields and in villages culminating in a visit to the pub, than knitting squares or baking, although many cakes are still made for various charitable causes and the knitting of small "Burundi Bears" for impoverished countries continues.

However, the WI aim of education and help for rural communities still takes prime place. Ladies help to maintain the Garden of Remembrance in the Churchyard, for example, and lend help and support at village events. They provide funding for members to attend Denman College at Oxford to take a courses on any subject they like, and theatre trips to the top musicals and plays, walking tours of towns and villages and the Oxford colleges, visits to gardens, stately homes, restaurants and pubs as well as shopping trips are all part and parcel of the today's Women's Institute. One member even did a sky dive this year and two ladies have completed the Malvern Walk and taken part in the Race for Life.

Why not come along one month and see for yourselves what the WI is all about. We meet on the second Wednesday of every month at 7.15pm. at the Remembrance Hall, Badsey. You will always be made welcome and be well looked after. If you would like more details then contact Stephanie on 01386 860938 or Liz on 01386 831233.

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