

# Community News

## Badsey and Aldington

### June 2010

#### ST GEORGE'S DAY PARADE

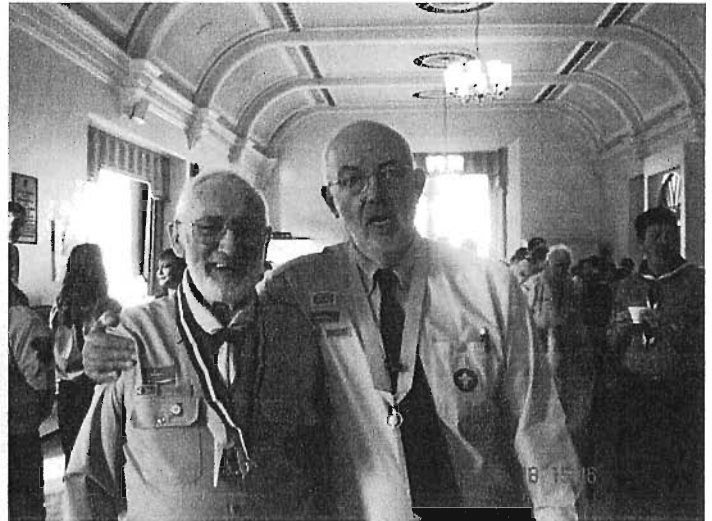


Photo of 1st Badsey Brownies colour party at St George's Day Parade, Evesham  
Also photo of Fred Sodeau having received the highest award in Scouting for Service (60 years) - the Silver Wolf

#### GUIDE CENTENARY DRAYTON MANOR



#### MY BROWNIE TRIP TO DRAYTON MANOR PARK

We met at Badsey Village Hall at 8-30 am. We went on a coach trip along with the Guides to Drayton Manor Park. When we arrived we got changed into our turquoise carnival outfits before we got off the coach. We then paraded through Drayton Manor Park along with the other 11,000 thousand Brownies and Guides. We then changed back into our casual clothes and had our lunch. We were then allowed to have a few hours on the rides which were great fun. I went on the flying boats and log flume along with other rides. I had a wonderful time and loved Drayton Manor, it was great and a big thank you to the leaders who organised it.

*Niamh Price*

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## 2 LETTER FOR THE MONTH



Dear Friends

I have been asked to "fill" the Vicar's slot this month with an up to date 'round robin' of my training so far. It has not been without its moments both good and not so good! My husband and staff have been very tolerant when the stress levels rise, especially when trying to write an assignment or rushing off to college for a weekend residential with all that needs doing before setting off with my overnight bag to Birmingham. The training is founded on two inter-related parallel parts: theological studies and formation for ministry. So here I am a month away from the end of my first academic year, and all being well a year away from ordination. But what have I done? The second weekend of September (last year) all those starting at The Queens Foundation for Ecumenical Theological Education gathered together for an induction weekend. Basically there are two paths for training: full time daytime, - being in College from Monday to Thursday; or part-time evening - being in College for lectures every Tuesday evening, attending six residential weekends and one residential week at Easter. No prizes for guessing which pathway I am following! There are thirteen first year part-timers, the majority being on a three-year programme but due to having been a Reader, the Diocese recommended two years. In the first term my evening lectures were spent studying Bible in Preaching and Liberation Theology, in the second term Liturgy and in the third term (now) Pastoral Theology. In addition, in the Spring Term, I attended a daytime module (Thursday mornings) on "The Book called

### CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

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### CHURCH SERVICES

#### JUNE

|          |          |                              |
|----------|----------|------------------------------|
| Wed 2nd  | 10.00 am | Communion followed by coffee |
| Sun 6th  | 11.00 am | Family Worship               |
|          | 7.00 pm  | Asparagus Service Bretforton |
| Sun 13th | 11.00 am | Praise & Worship             |
|          | 6.30 pm  | Eucharist                    |
| Sun 20th | 11.00 am | Family Eucharist             |
|          | 6.30 pm  | Evensong                     |
| Sun 27th | 9.30 am  | Eucharist                    |
|          | 6.30 pm  | Evensong                     |

Morning Prayer is said at 7.45 am each weekday at Badsey except Tuesday & Wednesday, which are a Eucharist.

## FROM ANNE POTTER, ORDINAND

Isaiah". The second weekend (Nov) we studied the composition of congregations, the third (Jan) communities, and the fourth (Mar) ourselves, including Myers Briggs. We have two more weekends - May, to look at how we relate to others, and June the decline of Christianity in secular Britain and the implication for mission and ministry. Each module involves at least a 3000 word essay - hence some of the stress levels!! This year our week's residential was during Holy Week and was the most amazing spiritual journey. The first part of the week we studied spirituality including a visit to a Jesuit house in Harborne. The second half of the week from Maundy Thursday, through various forms of worship, we journeyed with the disciples of Christ from the washing of feet at the Last Supper, into the darkness of the Garden to Gethsemane, to the suffering at the foot of the cross and the sheer desolation and loss of all hope on Easter Saturday, of which we spent five hours in silence...and I managed not to talk! I really enjoyed the contemplative experience and appreciated the benefits of occasionally getting away from the hustle and bustle of life to spend some quality time with God. The week culminated in a joyous Easter morning when we gathered together round the fire before going into Chapel to celebrate Christ's resurrection and the restoration of hope. This third term also includes a three month placement (May to Aug) which I am spending with St Barnabas Church and Christchurch in Worcester. Finally my thanks and appreciation to all the support and love from people, both within and outside the church communities, I have received over the past nine months.

Anne Potter

### BADSEY MOTHERS' UNION



2.30 pm 01 June Strawberry Tea at 9 Abbey Gates with Evesham MU  
 08 June Badsey Outing to House of the Open Door  
 10.00 am - 12 noon 03 July Deanery Coffee Morning at St Andrews Hall, Pershore for Uganda Funds  
 2.00 pm 12 July Deanery Afternoon Tea at Pershore Vicarage Garden to welcome Ugandan Ladies  
 2.30 pm 13 July Strawberry Tea at Hampton Vicarage with the ladies from Uganda

### FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms: None

Funerals: 16 April Robert William Rickey (Roy)  
 20 April Annie Mary Eames (Nancy)  
 21 April Robert Butler (Bob)  
 29 April Eileen Walker

Weddings: None

### ST JAMES' FLOWER GUILD

#### JUNE ROTA

1st Sunday Mary & Avril  
 2nd Sunday Sandra & Maureen  
 3rd Sunday Annette & Sheila  
 4th Sunday Julie & Eleanor

Thank you ladies for the flowers in Church during May. Any queries regarding Church flowers please contact me.

Hazel Stewart 832007

## ROUND ROBIN GROUP

We all enjoyed the handbell ringing at our April meeting. It's been requested to have it again. Next meeting is at 2.00pm on 20 May.



## BENEFACTIVE BELL RINGING PRACTISE

Starting with Badsey on Monday night 7.30 - 9.00 except Bank Holidays.

Offenham is on Tuesday night 7.00 - 8.30.

Bretforton on Thursday night 7.30 - 9.00.

These times will vary slightly according to how many turn up at one time. Bell ringing is a team sport and does rely on certain numbers to be able to perform. Our aim is to be as accommodating as possible. We welcome anyone from 12 years upwards - Male or Female.

Interested young teenagers should be accompanied by a Guardian. This is to cover a Health and Safety regulation. At times all three towers share ringers to make up a team for certain Services so aiming for flexibility. Beginners and returning ringers are welcome at all of the towers - if in a little doubt, come and watch for a while.



## K FITNESS

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## WICKHAMFORD GARDENING

The June meeting of the Gardening Club is a Garden Visit to the home of Sue and Paul Carpenter - The Owl and Pussycat Nursery, Evesham Road, Offenham, scheduled for Wednesday 23rd June 2010, at 7.30pm. Club members and guests who visited the garden last year, will no doubt remember what a wonderful garden Sue and Paul had created and we hope all members will return. For further information please contact any of the committee members."



Photo by Clare Paxford

## JIGSAW

### Jigsaw news

The Good Shepherd

### And Summer Workshop

Our Meeting in April was about the good Shepherd.

The story was about a shepherd who lost one of his sheep, and how he didn't give up looking for it until he found it. We made sheep by using our handprints. You may spot one in church if you look. A game of find the lost sheep was also enjoyed by all the children.

Our next meeting is on

27th June 2010

11.00am - 12.00pm

Do come along and join the fun.

### Summer Workshop

Saturday 10th July 2010

2.30pm - 4pm

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## PRESENTATION OF LONG SERVICE AWARD



### My Dad - Fred Sodeau

For more than sixty years my dad has been active in the Scout Movement, first as a leader in Enfield and latterly as Appointment Secretary for Evesham District Scouts. When he first came to live in Badsey he was unofficial caretaker of the Scout Hut, and since he retired from the post the hut has never been as clean again. His greatest joy still is to help with the youngsters and as a member of the Scout Fellowship he often goes to Hinton on the Green to help with outdoor activities. On St Georges Day this year Dad was awarded The **Silver Wolf**, the highest award in Scouting. The Silver Wolf is the unrestricted gift of the Chief Scout and is awarded for service of a most exceptional nature. You can imagine my pride as I watched him being presented with this award at Evesham St George's in All Saints, Evesham. Well done Dad.

*Sue Cole*

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## ST RICHARD'S CARERS GROUP

The Hospice started the Carers Group with assistance of a grant from Help the Hospices as part of a national pilot scheme. We have been going now for nearly three years and provided support and information through the opportunity for carers to share their experiences, meet specialists to talk about illnesses, benefits, legal issues as well as practical things like nursing skills or aids and adaptations to the home or car.

Life as a carer can seem very isolated as it can mean looking after someone 24/7. It can mean financial problems. Friends may disappear as they find it hard to cope. Sometimes people have to give up work and a social life may become non-existent. Not surprisingly the carers' health can suffer.

The Carers Group at St Richard's is the only one in Worcestershire focussing on people who look after someone with a life limiting illness. For some people that can be a long and painful road as their partner, friend or family member becomes increasingly ill. For others, particularly with cancer patients, it can be a much shorter but just as painful. But they do have a lot in common and support each other in difficult times.

Sometimes what we and their fellow members of the group are able to give is a sense that the feelings they have – anger, guilt, loss, loneliness, fear of being alone, frustration at fighting the system or at not being able to communicate – are shared and perfectly normal. They may not be paid carers but they are a vital part of the care of patients and without them the cost of looking after someone would be huge.

Our role is to look after the carers so that they can go on doing this valuable work. They say that it is only when they come to their meetings that anyone gets them a meal. We have lunch together and often tea and cake as well and they do not have to wash-up. We share a lot of difficulties together but we can usually find something to make us laugh together. We organise a Christmas lunch and an outing this year went to Cadbury World so we know how to enjoy ourselves as well!

*Mike Dutfield, Carers Group Manager*

### Carers Day – A life of my own

We are looking forward to welcoming carers in the county to our special day on June 14<sup>th</sup>.

The theme this year is 'A life of my own' and the event will focus on:

- a Why supporting carers is crucial
- b How carers miss out on things we all take for granted
- c What needs to be changed

We will make sure carers have access to relevant and practical information to help them in their caring role, the opportunity to take a break when they need it and where to look for support at times of crisis.

The event runs from 10.30am to 3.30pm. For more information please contact Mike Dutfield, Carers Group Manager on 01905 763963 or email [mdutfield@strichards.org.uk](mailto:mdutfield@strichards.org.uk)

### The Big Lunch

Imagine a summer's day on which millions of us sit down to have lunch together – in the middle of our streets, in our gardens and on every patch of common ground. It's called The Big Lunch and this is your invitation to join the fun. Sit down and have lunch with your neighbours on Sunday, 18th July (the national date or alternatively just hold on a date to suit you) as a simple act of community and make a donation to St Richard's.

The Big Lunch took place for the first time last year and there were over 8,000 lunches in every kind of community all across the UK. Up to a million people took to the streets in the biggest set of street parties since the Golden Jubilee. To find out more about The Big Lunch and to get your information pack, please contact the Fundraising Office at St Richard's Hospice on 01905 763933 or email [appeals@strichards.org.uk](mailto:appeals@strichards.org.uk)

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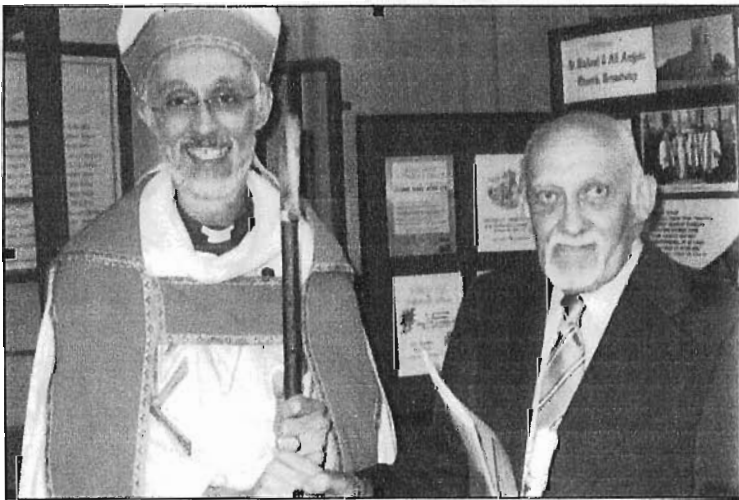
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## THE BISHOP AND GRAHAM ALLAN



Congratulations go to Graham Allen of Badsey who was confirmed on 25 April at St Michaels Church, Broadway.

## VOLUNTEER BEFRIENDER

### Make a difference as a Volunteer Befriender in your community

Onside Lifelinks mentoring and befriending service for people over the age of 50 has proved extremely popular and, as a result, we need volunteers across Worcestershire. We are looking for Befrienders to provide a supportive and reliable relationship to people who would otherwise be socially isolated. The support may involve visiting the person at home or helping them to get out and about in the local community, and doesn't involve any domestic or personal care. We are also seeking Volunteers to act as telephone befrienders to support our peer groups where older adults meet in local community settings. Volunteers are people of all ages and backgrounds; they need to be good listeners, open and non-judgmental. Katherine, one of the Lifelinks volunteers, said 'If you are thinking about volunteering I would say "DO IT!". I have had so much pleasure already, it is a wonderful feeling when you know you've helped and made even a small difference to someone else's life.'

If you can picture yourself in the role of mentor or befriender please call **Sarah or Claire on 01905 746556** or email [volunteering@onside-advocacy.org.uk](mailto:volunteering@onside-advocacy.org.uk) to find out more. This type of volunteering can be very flexible to fit with your life and circumstances. Free training is provided and all expenses paid. **Onside also has opportunities for Volunteer**

I am the Volunteer Co-ordinator for **Onside Independent Advocacy**, a registered charity which has been providing independent advocacy to vulnerable adults in Worcestershire since 1993.

**Onside** have secured funding from the Big Lottery to further develop their work with volunteer advocates, Befrienders and Mentors and has also been successful in tendering to secure a contract with Worcestershire County Council and Worcestershire Primary Care Trust to provide independent advocacy throughout the county. This means that we now have an urgent need for volunteers from the Evesham, Pershore, Droitwich.

**Claire Watkins-Volunteer Co-ordinator**

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This year's flower show invites stall-holder to register now

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This year's event takes place on **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> July** at the usual location, on the Recreation ground at the top of Sands Lane , Badsey.

The event, which is attended by up to 2,000 people each year, is one of the biggest and best-regarded village shows in the area and something the village can be very proud of.

Committee Member, Adrian Barradell explains, "Each year we aim to provide an event that mixes the friendly competition of 'growing and showing' with a traditional, fun-family village show. Our show attracts many local people and has up to 40 stalls including fresh produce, crafts and arts, fun and games and also information and charity stalls.

If anyone would like to have a stall at the event the cost for this is £18 for a commercial stall and just £8 for voluntary, community and charity groups. Table hire is also available at just £5 per table.

The event runs from 1pm to 5pm with the official opening at 2pm, so pop the date into your diary and on to your kitchen calendar now.

Details of show categories and the events line up will be available shortly.

If you'd like a stall this year, please call Committee Member, Adrian Barradell on 01386 830036.

### 1ST BADSEY GUIDES

Are you an ex member of Girlguiding / Adult Helper?  
(Or do you know anyone you can tell?)

You are welcome to join in the Centenary Celebrations  
Wednesday 30th June 2010  
at  
6.00 pm prompt to  
7-30pm.

Badsey Remembrance Hall

Are you on the archive photographs?  
Come along and find out.

He had listened to the politician's speech for a solid hour before going outside for a breath of fresh air. 'Is he still talking?' Asked a mate outside. 'Yeah.' 'What's he talking about?' 'He didn't say.'

### QUIZ NIGHT WITH FISH AND CHIPS

A most successful and enjoyable evening with some fifteen teams taking part. The winners were Thunderbirds 5. A fun evening with lovely, tasty fish & chips and a sum of £290.00 made for the Church. We apologise to those teams we had to let down but we were over-subscribed and as we have to use large tables in the hall we are a little short of room, however, we will be doing another evening in the Autumn and will try to fit more teams in. Please come along and support our next Quiz. You are guaranteed a good evening and many, many thanks to all those who took part and who helped on the night and well done to Thunderbirds 5 and also to all those teams who didn't quite make "Mastermind".

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# PHOENIX THEATRE GROUP

## "DING DONG"

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to be held at

Badsey Remembrance Hall, Thursday 24th to Saturday 26th June 2010.  
Tickets £6 available by calling 07910 499589

### The Synopsis :

Bernard has discovered that his wife, Jacqueline, is having an affair with Robert. Being a reasonable businessman, Bernard gives Robert two options to compensate for the affair; either he will sleep with Robert's wife in order to keep things even, or he will have him killed.

Needless to say, Robert chooses to let Bernard sleep with his wife. Scheming to woo her, Bernard arranges an evening meal with both couples present - much to the frustration of their overworked and underpaid maid, Marie-Louise. However, instead of bringing his wife to the dinner, Robert pays Barbara, a call girl, to pose as his wife for the evening. Meanwhile, Jacqueline does not know that Bernard has found out about the affair, and is stunned to learn that their dinner guests are in fact her lover and, supposedly, his wife. The situation then becomes even more hilarious and confusing when Robert's actual wife, Juliette, turns up for dinner

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Your help would be very much appreciated. Thank you.  
CSO Pardoe and PC De Paris  
Regards,

*Julie*

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