

Community News

Badsey and Aldington

June 2011

FINDING PEACE

Have you noticed how as soon as you close the lych gate behind you, a hush seems to descend. Outside noises seem muffled and no longer intrude, it is as if you have entered a calmer, more soothing ethereal dimension and the hush has been protective. Gravestones and plaques, monuments to the departed bear messages of grief and sorrow from grieving loved ones, yet all around inside this hushed cocoon of calm, life is starting again. Flowers emerge from the earth, bark on trees split and new shoots appear, flowers in vases seem to find new strength as if proud of their location. Birdsong seems clearer almost pure in tone, leaves on trees and low shrubs rustle as they forage for nesting material to satisfy the primal urge to create new life. You have come to grieve, but somehow are cheered. On entering the church, you are struck by the silence and shadowy half-light, a momentary nervousness grips you, but then is gone. As you sit there the atmosphere becomes dreamlike, a shadowy twilight of calm and tranquillity. The sun streams through the stained glass windows bathing the sanctuary and chancel in a soft downward glow, then reaches forward to pierce the shadows and dapple the walls with shimmering golden light. Sitting there you feel your body drifting away, your breathing slows and you enter an almost hypnotic state. You are aware of everything but so relaxed in this haven of peace and so aware of her sounds that are not there, sense movement where there is none and suddenly you know, you know you are sitting in an empty church, but you know, you are not alone.

David Cox

INVITATION

You are all invited to a Barbeque at the Vicarage 25 June at 7.00pm to meet with our Partnership friends from Germany. Everyone welcome but please let Richard or myself know so as we can cater for the correct number.

Alex Christison 830367 christison@bigfoot.com

OUR GERMAN PARTNERSHIP



Our partnership is part of the Diocese of Worcester and Propstei of Magdeburg-Halberstadt which started in 1987 and was officially established in 1997

The aim of the Partnership is to promote and develop links between our two churches (Anglican and Evangelical Church in Central Germany {EKM} www.ekmd.de). At present there are fifteen partnership groups in the Diocese. Our own link was formed in 1998 and was one of the first. We are linked to some fifteen churches in Kirchenkreise (Deanery) of Halberstadt-Ost around the villages of Wegeleben, Kroppenstadt, Hausneindorf, Emersleben and Schwanebeck which was in the former German Democratic Republic.

We have learnt much about each others worship, culture and lifestyle. Our partners suffered much during the GDR with restrictions on freedom and worship and have made us realise how lucky we are to have not to have had these sorts of restriction placed on our lives. Over the years friendships have formed and private visits have taken place.

We visit each other regularly and the program includes visits to attractions both secular and religious. There is usually worship every day, using both languages. Over the years we have had some wonderful experiences and thought provoking times during visits.

If you wish to become involved contact us on

partnership@ourbenefice.org.uk

For more information and photographs of previous visits log on the www.ourbenefice.org.uk and click on the Partnership link.

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2 LETTER FOR THE MONTH



Dear All

Some of you may know Anne Potter who runs the Post Office at Offenham; Anne has been training for the past two years at the Queens Foundation in Birmingham and will be Ordained as a Deacon in the Church of England at the Cathedral in Worcester on the 5 July. Following her Ordination Anne will serve as Assistant Curate in the Benefice of Badsey with Aldington, Offenham and Bretforton. Following her Ordination Anne will move on to the next stage of her training here in the villages of Badsey, Aldington, Offenham and Bretforton and in twelve months time she will be Ordained as a Priest. During her continued training Anne will be taking a variety of services in all three Parishes and assisting many others.

Ordination is what the church calls a Sacrament (the others being Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion [or Eucharist], Confirmation, Absolution, Marriage and Unction [anointing the sick]); a sacrament is the outward sign of an inward and spiritual grace (the outward sign in Baptism for example is the use of water through which the person receives the grace of God). In Ordination the outward sign is the laying on of hands and anointing by the Bishop.

At her Ordination Anne will make declarations to the Bishop to proclaim the gospel in word and deed, as an agent of God's purposes of love; to serve the community in which she serves

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms: 08 May 2011 Alasdair Gregor Samson

Funerals: None

Weddings: None

CHURCH SERVICES

JUNE

Thurs 2nd	7.30 pm	Eucharist Ascension Day
Wed 1st	10.00 am	Eucharist followed by coffee
Sun 5th	11.00 am 7.00 pm	Family Worship Asparagus Service at Bretforton
Sun 12th	11.00 am 6.30 pm	Praise & Worship Eucharist
Sun 19th	11.00 am 6.30 pm	Family Eucharist Evensong
Sun 16th	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Eucharist Evensong
Sun xxth		

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

FROM THE REVd RICHARD COURT

bringing to the Church the needs and hopes of all the people and search out the poor and weak, the sick and lonely and those who are oppressed and powerless.

All of this may sound very ethereal, unearthly or spiritual, which is exactly what it is, but it marks the beginning of public representative ministry in the Church of England. The most striking difference most people will probably detect is that they will increasingly see Anne wearing a 'dog collar' in around the villages.

As Anne's training incumbent I have certain responsibilities to Anne and to the Bishop during her training, but as a Parish you also have certain responsibilities to Anne. These range from offering a wide range of ministerial opportunities, to helping her in her transition from the lay to ordained status.

During her training in the villages Anne must not be seen as just 'an extra pair of hands' but will need the time and support of us all to help her grow into the role of what it means to be an Ordained Priest in the Church of England.

Being called to serve God as an ordained minister is a privilege as well as a challenge, it is something which I have enjoyed since my own Ordination as a Deacon in 1997 and I pray that Anne will be equally blessed in her future ministry.

Richard

CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

Vicar:	The Revd Richard Court The Vicarage High Street Badsey	834550
Ordinand:	Mrs Anne Potter	424429
Churchwardens:	Mr Chris Smith Mrs Sue Cole	830217 831260
Readers:	Mrs Penny Christison Mrs Sue Cole Mrs Sheila Lancaster Mrs Margaret Pye	830367 831260 833929 833537

ST JAMES' FLOWER GUILD

JUNE ROTA

1st Sunday	Hazel & Hazel
2nd Sunday	Yvonne & Stephanie (Pentecost red/white)
3rd Sunday	Mary & Avril
4th Sunday	Julie, Eleanor & Barbara

Thank you ladies for the lovely flowers in Church for Easter. My thanks also to those who gave donations for church flowers. It is very much appreciated. Any queries regarding Church flowers please contact me.

Hazel Stewart 832007

LITTLETON BOWLING CLUB

I am the secretary of Littleton Bowling Club and although we have a good membership we are always looking to get new people involved in the sport of bowls, especially ladies and some younger persons aged from 12 upwards (who would need to be accompanied in the first instance).

Our Club is a very friendly one with members from all around the area and we have some fantastic facilities.

We would like anyone who might be interested to come along on a Wednesday night after 6.30 with some flat soled footwear say trainers, plimsols or slippers, we will provide the equipment and offer free informal tuition.

If anyone who is interested and can't come on a Wednesday or if anyone wants further information then I can be contacted by email at

littletonbowls@hotmail.co.uk or by phone after 6.00pm any weekday evening and if I'm not in please leave a message.

The Club is situated on the Recreation Field off Long Hyde Road in South Littleton.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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 a need for volunteers in Worcestershire and boarder areas, and I would be most grateful if you would print the attached article or advert (for your area) in the Easter or next edition of your parish magazine/newsletter. A photo can be provided please contact me if this is appropriate.

If you need to contact me my office telephone number is 01905 746556 (contact details also in the request.)

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12.30 – 1.00 ... **FITNESS BALLET** with Barbara

A fairly energetic workout using exercises from the world of Ballet. Its great fun and you don't need to have done any Ballet at all, simply enjoy.

A SHORT LUNCH BREAK

1.30 – 2.15 ... **PILATES TO THE BEAT** with Judy

The afternoon kicks off with a great Pilates workout, exercising to motivating music

2.15 – 2.35 ... **COOL PILATES** with Barbara

Time to relax your thoughts and stretch the muscles in a lovely cool down.

2.40 – 3.00 ... **FITNESS FINALE** with Judy and Barbara

End the day with an upbeat, fun session to send you home on a high.

SUNDAY JULY 10TH 11.00AM – 3.00PM

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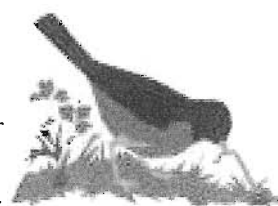
barbara@barbarakay.wanadoo.co.uk

www.k-fitness.webs.com

ROUND ROBIN

The next meeting is on 16 June at 45 Birmingham Road (Sue's house). Paul Sandford from the Salvation Army will give a talk. If you have transport problems let me know.

Sheila Lancaster



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INSPIRING WOMEN

Badsey WI had another interesting monthly meeting. Our April speakers were 2 ladies, volunteers with the National Trust, who came to talk to us about Croome Park, its history, and the great works paid for by the 6th Earl of Coventry who employed a young 'Capability' Brown to landscape the gardens, including moving the Church from next to the house to the top of the hill where it added to the view. The park has been owned by the Trust for a number of years and they are trying to reinstate it as it was when Brown planned and originally planted it, by using the wonderful old records and modern gps. The house has only been acquired fairly recently and is empty of its original furniture although the Trust have traced some items and eventually these will be returned. The house has been occupied by various people since the family left, including being a School and the base for the Hari Krishna monks. Some of the outbuildings are now privately owned and are not in such good condition but it is a changing situation. The ladies brought a few slides, not too many as to be boring, and had the knowledge to answer members questions. Several of the members had visited the house and gardens last summer on a WI outing and many had made private visits. The competition for the month was for a picture or photograph of a tree and this was very well supported. The quiz team were absent as they were taking part in the Group Quiz organised by Childswickham, we shall hear how they fared next month. Members agreed to support the Church mini-fete on the 13 May, two members will visit Wickhamford's Fashion show on the 10 May, another two are going on Hampton's trip to St. Fagan's Museum on 25 May. On 09 May 40 WI members with friends enjoyed a visit to the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, home of the famous men in red coats, the Chelsea Pensioners. They enjoyed a tour around the Hospital guided by one of the pensioners. It now houses nearly 400 retired military personnel, not all soldiers, including 4 ladies, in very tiny rooms. These rooms are slowly being extended so that each resident will have a bedroom with a private sitting room and bathroom. Members enjoyed chats, over cups of tea, with several of the men and had a very interesting day. A visit to Felix Dennis's garden at Dorsington is planned for 23 June. At our May meeting we will discuss the Resolutions to be discussed at the National AGM in June so that we can instruct our delegate on how to vote. The resolutions are on closures of local libraries and mega farms (3,000 dairy cattle). Our June meeting on 13 June will be held in a member's garden, weather permitting, and members will meet at the Village Hall car park at 6.45 pm to fill cars for the short journey taking with them a plate of food to share, plate and cutlery and a folding chair if possible. If wet of course then we will be in the Village Hall as usual at 7.15 pm.

A WEEKEND IN BADSEY CHURCH

On Friday 13 May Badsey School Choir kicked our weekend off with a performance to open the Mini Fete. They entertained us well and were enjoyed by all. Tea and beautiful cakes were served in the cafe style side chapel. Gliders were made and sold by the Brownies, it was fun to see Richard (vicar) flying one of these over the tea ladies. Children also iced jigsaw shaped biscuits with our Sunday school team. Church folk sold plants, jams, pickles and other items. First to set up a stall was Evesham Volunteer Centre who as usual brought an amazing selection of goods to sell. The WI had a variety of stuff to sell in the churchyard. Outside the Scout Fellowship cooked and sold hot dogs and onions, Badsey Butcher's best sausages, very tasty. The best thing for me was as they were leaving a couple saying, "We spent a lot of money, but it was a really happy evening and haven't you got a lovely church?"

Early Saturday morning saw the tea ladies from the night before plus a few others, cleaning and polishing the church ready for the afternoon's wedding between Jamie and Julie. The church was adorned with flowers and bows to welcome family and friends of the couple. Julie and Jamie had beautiful bridesmaids and a page boy as they made their wedding vows to each other. The church choir and organist led the singing. In the evening, Robin Ward an international harpist played to an audience in church. He told us about the history of the triple harp and about the pieces he played. We learned it has two banks of strings on each edge and a third bank in the middle which he described as being like the black notes on a piano. He then entertained us with a variety of music written between 13 and 20 century, including works by Parry, Sophia Corrie, Bach and Hagen. He also played a selection of Celtic tunes which he learned as a 9 year old. Not only does Robin play the triple Harp, he builds them and teaches it. An array of services happened on Sunday. A Family Eucharist at which the junior choir sang "Any dream will do." The service was followed by a social time at which news was exchanged as we drank tea. In the afternoon another family came into church for the baptism of Cade Arran Churchill. The family chose this day because it was Cade's first birthday, double celebration! The weekend ended with a service from The Book of Common Prayer of Evensong, a quiet reflective time to complete the day and a very busy but happy weekend. There are lots of people to thank who made this weekend possible, those who helped in any way, and those who came to the fete, the church cleaners, the families who came into church for the wedding and baptism. We made £268 at the fete and £163 at the concert, this together with the collections at the wedding and baptism help to maintain our beautiful church for those who worship regularly and for future weddings and baptisms. Finally the church is always open in daylight hours for those who wish to have a look or need a quiet space. It is also available for community use. Sue Cole 831260

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1ST BADSEY RAINBOWS

Request for Adult Help

1st Badsey Rainbows is going to be short of adult help from the beginning of September 2011. Could you volunteer to help them on Fridays during term time 5.15pm to 6.15pm as an assistant leader? Local leaders will help and support you to undertake



the Girlguiding UK's Leadership Qualification, and you will be offered lots of other training opportunities at local and national level. You'll have lots of fun! The rainbow

programme is packed with activities and challenges, and it will give you a chance to experience them along with the girls.

This term the Rainbows have a really exciting programme, including taking part in a recycling walk and sporting challenges, making kites, going on a boat trip and having a go at some Father's Day activities. If you are interested and would like further information on how you can get involved, please contact either:

Julia Routledge
Evesham Division Commissioner
01386 831220

SarahCrump
1st Badsey Rainbow Leader



BADSEY MOTHERS' UNION



Linda came to tell us some of the history of The House of the Open Door. It began its life in Slough, where a couple bought a large Victorian House and allowed nurses to stay there and others who joined the community later. Additionally they bought a farm and kept pigs and grew vegetables, which helped with their running costs. Developers wanted to buy the house, first they didn't want to sell, but when the developer offered an amazing price they agreed to and began looking for somewhere else. That is when they bought the place at Childswickham. It is a beautiful place of peace and tranquillity and well worth a visit. Visitors are always welcome to MU meetings, On 14 June Sue Giles will speak about "The hats we wear." Bring your favourite hat to wear.
Penny Christison 830867

WATERCOLOUR PAINTING

Badsey Remembrance Hall 10-12 noon on Thursdays. For those who'd like to join this group there are a limited number of places available. It will suit both beginner and experienced and offers professional guidance, demonstrations and tips on how to improve. The course runs initially for 10 weeks, after which you can continue if you wish to further

Run by David Moignard – painter and illustrator, it costs just £9 per session or £85 if you pre-book 10 weeks. Call 01905 454159 or e mail: davidmoignard@yahoo.co.uk

TOWER NEWS

The peal of 4050 changes rung on Tuesday 10 May for Richard and Anne, was 'Zenapod Major' and was completed in the regulation time. The next full peal will be for St James and the 'Flower Show'.



We hope to be able to raise a team to ring the bells on Friday 17 June starting around 6.50 pm to coincide with the Badsey Societies Whitsun Walk, where the starting point will be 'The Fountain' in High Street, opposite Seward House. We will all be commemorating the placing of the Fountain in memorium of the Centenary of the Coronation of King George 5th.

To date there are no weddings to be rung for this month.

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EACH SMALL STEP

The Diocese of Worcester is rightly proud of work begun to help to protect and restore our environment. There are many initiatives carried out by schools and churches throughout the area, which are great examples of people taking one small step towards improving thoughtful and sustainable living. Holland House, in Cropthorne, is the first retreat house in the UK to become a member of the Sustainable Restaurant Association. Aiming for 'harmony with creation', Holland House offers nourishment for body and soul, serving local meat and vegetables, locally made beer, wine and fruit juice and honey from their own beehives. By taking sustainable action, restaurants can make a huge difference on issues such as climate change, animal welfare and food waste...Holland House is competing for a 'Footprint Award' which is the first awards programme dedicated to recognising contribution to sustainability and environmental excellence in the Foodservice Industry. You can vote to help them win their award by going to their website; <http://www.hollandhouse.org/> and lend your support to their cause. June marks, World Environment Day, Environment Sunday and Green Transport Week - a time when you might be thinking about what you can change to make a difference. The Diocesan Environment video, is a great source of inspiration when considering the small steps that can be taken toward greener living. It can be seen at; <http://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/EF/82>. It is full of examples of people making minor changes in their own lives, which can make a huge difference. Redhill School in Worcester has created a garden club and are now eating the vegetables grown; Little Malvern Priory has turned part of its churchyard into a wildlife haven, which at last count boasted 76 different varieties of wildlife; they also collect rainwater and recycle compost. The first class environment pages on the diocesan website itself are packed with ideas for greener living, and offers advice on how to get started <http://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/EFK/93>. There are pages on liturgy and worship and how to educate others and communicate the issues now! It's a one stop shop for those who are minded to do something as God's co-creators - now!

BADSEY ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMEN'S SECTION

The above meeting took place at 7.45 pm on Wednesday 27 April 2011. Apologies were taken and the minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, fresh back from her winter holiday in Portugal. Unfortunately no one was able to attend the 90 years celebrations of the Legion at Worcester Cathedral in May. Jackie, the ladies standard bearer, and her deputy Sarah attended classes where it was suggested that they need new equipment, including suits. The men's branch has been asked to help towards the cost as the ladies carry the standard for them. The women's branch will help towards the cost and Jackie and Sarah held a tombola in the club on the day of the Royal Wedding to help towards the cost.

A circular was received about a one off Poppy event to be held in June and asked if branches would like to put on an event. Generally felt that there was no interest. Agenda for National Conference was also included. As no one is going it seemed pointless to go into too many details. Raffle tickets for this event had not been sold but members once again put their hands in their pockets and bought them. The group meeting scheduled for May has been moved to Wednesday 06 July. This will mean just one more meeting this year in the winter when the hosts will be Badsey. Sara has acquired some 2011 poppy broaches, which the ladies also bought. She has a few left if anyone would like one. As our designated monthly branch meeting date clashes with quite a number of members going on the Over 60s holiday it was changed to Wednesday 18 May. As we normally have our fete in June it was thought a good idea to bring it forward to May particularly as we usually have a number of good quality plants and by June most people have already planted their gardens.

Then followed the Easter treat, sausage and chips, which were served piping hot to a very appreciative group of ladies. The squares competition was won by Gill Folkes, and this was followed by the alphabet competition with the letter 'P'. There was an assortment of items but the chairman and secretary both agreed that Doris Harris with a photo of her dad in a pub drinking a pint with his pipe.

The meeting was then brought to a close.

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By the Rt Rev John Inge, Bishop of Worcester

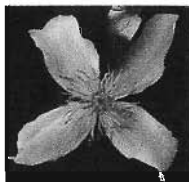
A quick glance in shops at the moment reveals shelves stuffed full of men's gifts and cards, which must mean only one thing: it's Father's Day again. Unlike Mothering Sunday, Father's Day does not have its origins in a church festival: is it just an excuse for card shops to make money or should the church take it seriously?

Fathers are never far from the headlines, from controversies around teenage fathers to reports on how good fathers have such a positive influence on the development of their children. All this coverage shows that we instinctively recognise the importance of fathers to us individually and to society as a whole. So we shouldn't be surprised that this emphasis on, and honouring of, good fatherhood is a reflection of the way in which God deals with the human race. I have always believed in my head that God loves me unconditionally but it was only when I became a father myself that I began to understand it with my heart. From the moment when I first set eyes on my first child, now aged ten, my love for her was so immediate and strong that I would have done anything to protect her - and still would. And that set me wondering about the love of God: if I, with all my faults, could love like that, then maybe I could understand in a new way how it is possible for God to love me like this. I have never known a love quite like the love of being a father and I rejoice in the great gift of fatherhood. I rejoice in it because of my children, to whom I am devoted. But I also rejoice in it because it helps me to understand more profoundly how God loves me, and how nothing can separate me from that love. When Jesus told the story of the prodigal son, in which a father joyfully welcomes home a son who had squandered all that his father gave him, it was to reveal the way in which God (whom Jesus tells us to call our Father) wants to relate to us. It's a tragedy when we hear of, or experience for ourselves,

WICKHAMFORD GARDENING CLUB

The next meeting of the gardening Club is a visit to Harrell's Hardy Plant Nursery in Evesham. The visit will cost £3.50 but does include refreshments.

We hope all our members will join us, together with any guests they may wish to include. For further information please contact Dorothy Turpitt - 01386 830834.

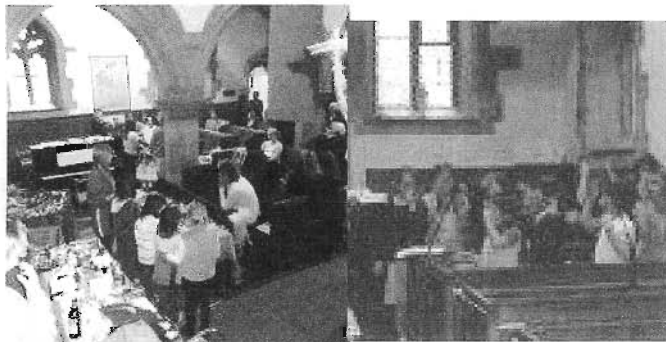


BADSEY REMEMBRANCE HALL

I would like to thank Taylor Wimpey for supplying materials and labour free of charge for the repairs done to the fire steps and the laying of new pathways from the fire doors to the car park at the Badsey Remembrance Hall. This will make it much easier for bringing in equipment to the hall. I would also like to thank Craig of Tonbrie Construction and Dave and Mick for all their hard work repairing same. Also thanks to others involved in helping.

Sue England, Caretaker

FETE PICS



QUIZ NIGHT

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'K' Fitness

The Remembrance Hall Badsey

Monday morning and Tuesday evening

Class timetable and details
www.k-fitness.webs.com

Tel: Barbara Kay 01386 833133

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

At the start of a new Parish Council year it seems appropriate to thank all the residents of the Parish who have taken the time in the last year to attend Parish Council meetings and Planning Committee meetings, raised issues with (or provided valuable information to) the Clerk, Parish Councillors, Wychavon District Council and/or Worcestershire County Council, filled in questionnaires (Bus Services, Horsebridge play area, street lighting), offered their help with litter picking, taken up issues such as the HGVs passing through Badsey or otherwise shown an interest in any way in matters affecting the Parish or its residents. All such contributions are gratefully acknowledged as the Council can only operate effectively in partnership with all residents.

One of the things that the Parish Council will be considering this year is whether to adopt a 'Parish Plan', something which is likely to become more important as the Government's Localism aspirations are pushed forward. However, a Parish Plan is not something which can be created by the Council acting alone and this will provide an opportunity for everyone to consider how the Parish should develop in the future. Please watch this space, and the noticeboards, for further details.

RECREATION GROUND

The new play space on the Recreation Ground appears to be a great success – thank you to everyone who has passed on their very positive comments.

'MY PARISH' WEBSITE

By the time you read this the new Parish Council Year will have started and your new Parish Councillors will be on the job. Details of all the Councillors will be added to the 'My Parish' website which can be easily accessed by going to either the Worcestershire Parish Council or Wychavon District Council websites, clicking on 'My Local Area' – in the centre towards the top of the Home Page – clicking My Parish Council website and then selecting either Aldington or Badsey (shown separately for historical reasons). Notices of meetings as well as agendas and minutes for future and past meetings can also be accessed in this way.

MAIN NOTICEBOARD

Just reminder that while agendas and notices of meetings are placed on a number of noticeboards round the Parish the draft minutes of the previous meetings of the Parish Council and the Planning Committee are put on the main noticeboard on the wall of the Spar, together with any other important notices such as election results, notification of residents' rights to inspect accounts etc.. The Clerk is trying to get the minutes on the noticeboard within a week of the meeting and is using different coloured paper so that residents can see when the minutes change.

Clerk's contact details: Alexandra Owen (Mrs),
White House, Main Street, Aldington WR11 7XB.

Tel: (01386) 830083 E-mail: badseyipc@yahoo.co.uk

USEFUL NUMBERS

PETER LUFF, MP for Mid Worcestershire holds regular surgeries in Droitwich and Evesham.

Tel: 01905 763952

E-mail: luffpj@parliament.uk

Website: www.peterluff.org.uk

or write to: House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA

Badsey Remembrance Hall 01386 832272

Police (non emergency) 0300 333 3000

Pressure Point(Local Drugs Helpline)0800 652 9664

FRANK (National Drugs Helpline) 0800 77 66 00

Victim Support 0845 3030 900
(helping people cope with crime)

Domestic Violence Helpline 0800 980 2946

Childline 0800 11 11
(Children and young people helpline)

Crimestoppers 0800 555111
(Report information about crime, anonymously)

CAB 01386 443737
(Advice and information on a range of issues, including housing, benefits, consumer, employment, money and debt)

TEENAGERS' PRAYERS FOR FATHER'S DAY

Thanks, God, for my Dad.

For the lifts he gives – to here, to there, then back again.

For the cash he provides when I'm not really owed.

For the teasing he takes about how he's not "cool".

How he doesn't turn his back on me when I make life a misery.

Sometimes I find it hard to show him I care.

I forget to say thank you, I refuse to say sorry.

But I do love him, God, and I'd be stuck without him.

Can you tell him, God, make sure he knows?

Amen

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WHEATSHEAF FILM CLUB

The first Saturday in every month (start time 7.30 pm
main film 8.00 pm.

June **The King's Speech** (Oscar winner)

July **Cat on a Hot Tin Roof** (a homage to Elixabeth Taylor)

August **True Grit** (the new version)

Note: July Film - Cat on a Hot Tin Roof will be on Friday 01 July.