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Sunday 02.15 Musyck Anon

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Please collect your work after the exhibition is ended.

Also on display will be a collection of bibles, if you have a special one, please bring it on Saturday 22nd from 9.00 am. Please write a few sentences about why it is special

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# **2 LETTER FOR THE MONTH**

Dear All,

At the end of October we will be remembering and giving thanks for all those loved ones who have gone before us and passed from this earthly life, through the gates of glory, into eternal life; whilst last month we remembered all those who lost their lives in the 9/11 tragedy in New York in 2001. For those of us who have lost loved ones, the memory is always there and easy to recall, however painful the loss may be. It is however more difficult to recall the victims of tragedies such as 9/11 and the 'London bombings' if we have no direct connection with the people involved, the atrocities make the headlines until something more newsworthy comes along and then the memory is lost until an anniversary of the event comes around.

From a personal perspective Avril and I spent some time, while we were on holiday, with some people from the USA who had friends and colleagues involved in 9/11; and a friend and colleague of mine was on the bus in Russell Square that was blown up in the London bombings – the people who sat behind her were all killed. As a result, she, like so many others, has had her life changed for ever.

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# CHURCH SERVICES

# OCTOBER

Sun 02nd 11.00 am Family Harvest

6.30 pm Evensong for Harvest

Wed 05th 10.00 am Eucharist

followed by coffee

Sun 09th 11.00 am Praise & Worship

6.30 pm Eucharist

Sun 16th 11.00 am Family Eucharist

6.30 pm Evensong

Sun 23rd 9.30 am Eucharist

5.00 pm Thanksgiving Service

Sun 30th 6.30 pm All Souls Service at

Badsey

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

# FROM THE REVD RICHARD COURT

All these thoughts came together at the same time as a reading about forgiveness in our Sunday readings and I deliberated long and hard about forgiveness and how we forgive. Squabbles in the playground are normally soon forgotten - we say sorry and move on; our worst enemy one day is our best friend the next. This is not so easy if the perpetrator of the violence or cruelty is someone unknown to us or if we are an innocent bystander. How then do we forgive and move on? The Old Testament Prophet Amos understood that God forgave three times and that we should do the same; however, Jesus' teaching says that we must forgive not three times nor seven times but an infinite number of times, a real challenge to us all. If we can manage to forgive those who provoke or incense us that will be a start, forgiveness for those who maim and murder is an almost impossible challenge and can only be done by the grace of God.

# FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms: 14 August 11 April Rose Collier

11 Sep 11 Liam James Dawson 11 Sep 11 Harry Peter Dawson

Funerals: 27 August 11 Pamela Irene Brown

Weddings: 19 August 11 Jason MauriceAnderson

and Hayley Denise Dore

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03 Sept 11 Jonathan Paul Gisbourne

and Jemma Louise

O'Connor

10 Sept 11 Craig Ryan Dashfield-

Ormrod and Lucy Kate

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# ST JAMES' FLOWER GUILD OCTOBER ROTA

1st Sunday Harvest Festival - all the Guild

2nd Sunday Julie, Barbara & Eleanor

3rd Sunday Hazel & Hazel

4th Sunday Exhibition - all the Guild

5th Sunday All the Guild to clear their own flowers

Thank you ladies for the flowers in Church in September and your help with weddings. The Saturday before Harvest Festival (01 Oct) we will be decorating the Church from 9.30 a.m. If anyone has surplus flowers in their gardens we would very much appreciate a bunch. We can collect!! (or any fruit/vegetables). Any queries regarding Church flowers please contact me. *Hazel Stewart 832007* 

# PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP

It is hoped to restart the parent and toddler group in Badsey on a weekly basis in the back room at the Wheatsheaf (thanks to support of Graham Brown, All Lownie Penhild). parents. grandparents. childminders, carers with young children aged 0-5 years will be welcome. Please come along to the launch on THURSDAY 20 OCTOBER from 9-30 to 11-30 am at The Wheatsheaf. Refreshments will be available and there will be activities on hand as well as a raffle. There is support from The Children's Centre whose staff are keen to help the group reinstate itself. telephone 01386 48943 or 07766423584 if you would like further information. Looking forward to seeing you. Heather Gibbons

# SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Will it or won't it? That was question hanging over our Cream Tea Afternoon on Saturday 20 August. The question of course referring to the rain. All was set up in Wendy's garden with gazebos at the ready, when the rain started, then stopped, started again then stopped again. Tables and chairs were under and out from under the gazebos a dozen times. However, at 2.30 the sun shone and although it was a little cloudy at times the weather was very kind to us. A lovely afternoon was enjoyed by all who came and partook of Jane Thompson's excellent scones, fresh cream and jam with copious cups of tea. There was also a plant stall, a Bring & Buy and a Raffle. We were pleased to welcome many new faces as well as our usual stalwart supporters. We raised £250.00 of which £100.00 was given to the Mother's Union and £150.00 to St. James Many thanks to all who came along and enjoyed the teas, Jane for her excellent scones. Nick Goodman for his help in setting up and putting away and all those who helped in so many ways on the day. Saturday 19 November we will be holding another Quiz night with Fish & Chip supper.

# COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SCHEME

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A full Brownie Pack began a new term, we appointed some new sixers and seconders, who will help the younger girls in the coming weeks. Faith and Rachel made their Brownie Promise and two new girls joined us. This term we will be finding out about the work done by "Caring Hands in the Vale", in preparation for the Harvest Festival. The girls will be trying out a cardboard box as a bed and wearing several layers of clothes. They will then contribute to a harvest box to take to the Harvest Festival on 2 October. "Caring Hands" will then use the produce for helping the homeless. Another planned activity, when it is dark, is a glow-worm walk

Sue Cole

# The Wheatsheaf Inn

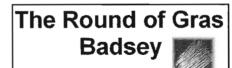


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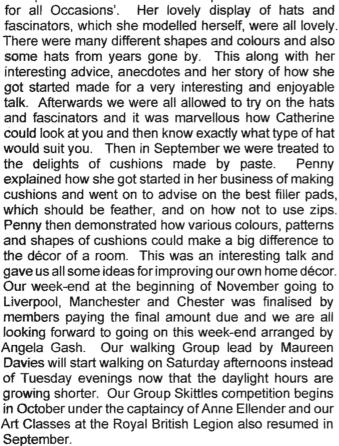


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# BADSEY W.I.

Our meeting in August saw members trying on hats of all different sizes and shapes courtesy of our speaker Catherine Clark who spoke on 'Hats



Future outings include lunchtime Carol Concert at Birmingham Town Hall in December, a visit to Birmingham to see South Pacific in February and a possible week-end in Krakow, Poland at the end of April 2012.

We meet every second Wednesday at the Remembrance Hall, Badsey and the meeting starts at 7.15.pm. All are welcome to come along as a visitor and see what we are all about.

Yvonne Haynes

# BADSEY ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Women's Section of the Royal British Legion Badsey, Aldington & Wickhamford branch took place on Wednesday 24th August 2011 in the Legion club Badsey. The meeting commenced with the chairman saying the exaltation and then pointing out the fire exits, which never seem to move! There were guite a number of apologies as this being the holiday season folk seem to be away and there were only 26 members present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed as a true record. There were very few ladies interested in attending the cream tea at Offenham to celebrate the 70th anniversary of Offenham Women's section. The speaker last month Sue Barnes was very interesting but our Chairman doubted her statement that you don't need any skill to paint, as she can only just manage the children's paint by numbers! Tickets for the Festival of Remembrance at the Albert Hall on Sat 12 November 2011 have been received and are 'good 'stall' seats. Women's Section badges that are still £2.30 have been received. There was a letter from Sue Cole who is on holiday but accepted leading the Harvest Festival in September. The hymns for the service were then chosen; Morning has broken & Come ye thankful people come, both are known to Pat Gorin who accompanies the singing on the piano. It was decided to have ploughman's supper for £1.00 as refreshments at the Harvest Festival. When refreshments were taken tonight, instead of the usual cup of tea, the ladies were treated to 'Bucks Fizz, to celebrate with our chairman, her win on the Bingo. Entertainment was David Hyslop from Jutexpo talking about the firm and products. Everything they produce is eco friendly. He then gave all the ladies a jute bag. A Vote of thanks was given by Pat Gorin. We asked our speaker if he would judge the alphabet competition . This month was the letter S and yes some obvious items were produced but also some unusual ones. The winner was Jill Folkes with shawls made for her husband and daughter by her mother in law. The squares competition was won by Kate Barnett. After such an enjoyable evening, the ladies departed for an early night home.



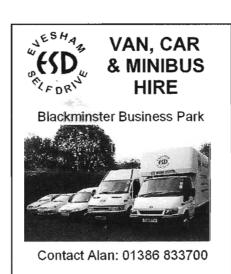
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# **WICKHAMFORD GARDENING CLUB**

The next meeting of the Gardening Club is scheduled for Wednesday 26th October 2011 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. This month is our Annual General Meeting, followed by a talk entitled "Ponds, Marginals and Bog Gardens" given by Duncan Coombs. We hope all our members will attend as we will be selling tickets for our Social Evening in November.

For further information please contact Dorothy Turpitt 01386 830834.

# ROUND ROBIN

Our October meeting is at 2.00 pm on Thursday 20 October in the transept in church.

The speaker will be the community police officer, not the same one we had before. Look forward to seeing you all.



### STAY AT HOME CHRISTMAS?

Are you staying at home for Christmas? Would you open your home and share Christmas with a student from China, India, or some other part of the world, who would otherwise be stuck at an almost deserted UK university? HOST invites you to give Christmas, perhaps for the first time in their life, to someone who is a guest in this country, who would love to experience your way of life and make your stay-at-home Christmas special. HOST will match you with one or two guests to suit your household. More volunteer hosts are urgently needed for 1-3 days at Christmas, and weekends all year round. Please see www.hostuk.org or call your local voluntary organiser for a chat: Lynette Chappin 02920 693903

# WHEATSHEAF FILM CLUB

October Brassed Off

November The Last King of Scotland

December The Italian Job (the original)

First Saturday of each month unless the Wheatsheaf tells me otherwise.

# HARVEST FESTIVAL 2011

You are invited to our Harvest Festival at 11 am in Badsey Church on 2 October. All produce brought to the service will be donated to Caring Hands in the Vale, which is based at The Christian Centre in Evesham. They use all the food in their work with the homeless. They make up rucksacks for those who live on the streets, they provide a lunch for the homeless and they support families in the vale who are having difficulties. We are looking forward to seeing you at this festival service.

Sue Cole

# MAYPOLE BEARS OF OFFENHAM

Many new characters of my bears will be on show at Janus cote on the 07 08, and 09 October.

All past and new collectors, friends and everyone interested in Teddy Bears, will be most welcome to view and enjoy them. The bears and I will be delighted to see you. Phone 48217 or Email: jean@maypolebears.co,uk asap to let me know which day and time you would like to come. 10 am to 4 pm – plus evenings 6 pm to 9pm. Coffee, tea etc to enjoy whilst you browse.

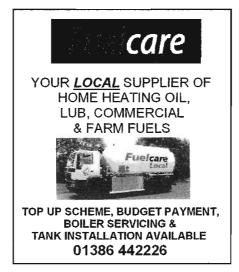
# TOWER NEWS

We welcome Doug Bott back to the ringing chamber following his recovery from a 'Heart Bypass' operation. He now feels ready to gradually get back into enjoying the excercise. As I well know following



my own open heart surgery just two years ago, recovery takes many months, to feel confident enough to be able to restart something that you have looked forward to doing, and then only with guidance from the medical team looking after you. We do appeal to the younger people to come and learn. As couples engaging in marriage know, to have the bells ring out in celebration is all part of a very big moment on the day.

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# BISHOP'S LETTER - 2010 AND BEYOND

Starting in what is known as 'The Kingdom Season' before Advent the 2020 Group will be encouraging all Church communities in the Diocese to reflect on how they are measuring up as a sign and symbol of God's Kingdom and also to identify those things that hinder or prevent us from making progress in this role and I want to set what is being suggested in context here.

When I arrived in this Diocese I stated my priorities as 'mission, mission, mission'. I spoke in terms of the enormous privilege we have been given of playing a part in God's great mission to reconcile the whole creation to himself in Jesus, a vision glorious articulated in the first chapter of the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

Within my first year here Bishop's Council came to the decision that, in focusing upon mission, we should concentrate upon three priorities:

- The deepening of prayer
- The renewal of (public) worship
- Equipping people to share their faith

To address the first, a Diocesan Spirituality Group, chaired by Bishop David, has been established to work with the Diocesan Spirituality Adviser, Paul Hunt. Doug Chaplin, as Diocesan Worship Adviser has been working with others on the second and David Sherwin, as Diocesan Evangelism Adviser on the third. I see these three priorities as essential in preparing the ground for our full participation in God's mission to the world.

A year ago the '2020 Group' was set up to consider what playing our full part in God's mission might require as we look to the year 2020 and beyond. From the very first meeting, conversations in the Group have focused upon what should be, as Christians, our core conversation: the Kingdom of God. Mission and Kingdom are two sides of the same coin: God's mission is to reconcile the creation to Himself and, in so doing, inaugurate the Kingdom, the reign, of God. When the creation is reconciled to God in Christ every knee shall bow to God's rule, whether in heaven or in earth or under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord. The Church is called to be God's chosen instrument for his mission in the world and the effective sign of the inauguration of His Kingdom here on earth, that Kingdom for whose coming we pray in the words that Jesus taught us.

I hope that all of us, individually and corporately, will want to join together to reflect deeply on our part in God's plan to inaugurate the Kingdom - to celebrate what we are doing and reflect upon ways in which we can widen our hearts to allow God's grace to work through us to build His Kingdom.

### **Bishop John**

# OVER 60S FRIENDSHIP CLUB

For once the rain kept away and the sun shone for our annual garden party in August, again held at Mary's with various small stalls of bric-a-brac, books etc and with plenty of refreshments, the afternoon was very pleasant indeed. For our September meeting the entertainment was provided by "Anything Goes", a musical group who played well-known songs and sing-a-long melodies. Later in the month, the 28, we will be having a lunch at The Pheasant Inn at Toddington followed by a short drive through the Cotswolds. At our October meeting we will be entertained by a presentation of bell ringing by the Eckington Bell Ringers. The speaker at our November meeting will be Rosemary Prosser, who narrates about her experiences as a W.P.C with West Mercia Constabulary in the 1970's Wendy Neal





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# BISHOP DAVID'S LETTER

At the point when I was first seeking to respond to God's calling me to ordained ministry a wise priest said to me, "David, clergy are like horse manure - spread thinly they get the garden growing, but piled up all together they just make a stink!" It was an old joke even thirty years ago, but it's one I remember whenever I'm off to attend the House of Bishops or General Synod, and it has come to mind again as we get ready this month for the first Diocesan Clergy Conference we have had in my time in Worcester. Like most of the jokes that pass the test of time, it has a grain of truth in it. The Church's licensed and ordained ministers are called to spend the vast majority of their time in their parishes and chaplaincies, growing the Church and Kingdom through their distinctive contribution to the ministry of all the baptised that is God's mission. And I've spent more hours of my life than I care to recall in clergy meetings that have descended into either competitive bragging, "my ministry is more fruitful than yours", or communal whinging about difficult funeral directors, over-demanding bishops and the intricacies of the Faculty system. Also, like most good jokes, it's an exaggeration. I'll be packing my bags later this month with a real sense of excitement and expectation. I'm looking forward to spending several days in the company of a large body of people deeply committed to living and proclaiming the Christian Faith and to responding to what the Holy Spirit is up to in the Diocese of Worcester. As we share our individual stories. I'll be looking to recognise the common themes and patterns that are the clues to where the most significant opportunities and challenges are arising, and hence where a Bishop's contribution can be most effective. I'll be enjoying praying with a body of people who, more commonly, I am praying for. And whilst the formal sessions and worship will be vital ingredients of the event. I'll also be looking forward to the informal chats and socialising that strengthen the friendships among us and so underpin the more formal occasions when I meet with our clergy and lay workers back in the Diocese. So please pray for the Conference, for all who will be attending it, that we will be inspired both by God and each other, and return to Worcester strengthened for the time ahead.

# BADSEY MOTHERS' UNION

Katherine Kear, was an excellent speaker, We found out about Smells from the Elizabethan Still Room. This room was the domain of the mistress of the house where



she enjoyed being amongst spices, minerals, flowers and leaves. In the still room she would mix together potions to use as medicines for her family, at a time when there were no doctors to call upon. The first flower Katherine told us about was the marigold; she said its oil was good for heart problems. Katherine also told us that many of the herbs and spices we use, were used in Elizabethan times and were also used in Biblical times. she quoted from the Book of Exodus. After Katherine's talk she let us feel the spices and minerals she had

Our next meeting is at 2.30 on 11 October in Badsey Church, when our Speaker will be Sue Giles telling us about "The hats we wear". We are asked to wear a hat for this meeting. As usual we welcome visitors to this meeting. Further details Penny 830367

### The Autumn by Elizabeth Barrett Browning

Go, sit upon the lofty hill, And turn your eyes around, Where waving woods and We cannot bear its visitings. waters wild

Do hymn an autumn sound. The summer sun is faint on make us smile,

The summer flowers depart --Sit still -- as all transform'd to stone,

Except your musing heart.

How there you sat in summer-time. May yet be in your mind;

And how you heard the green woods sing

Beneath the freshening wind. Though the same wind now blows around.

You would its blast recall: For every breath that stirs the trees,

Doth cause a leaf to fall. Oh! like that wind, is all the mirth

That flesh and dust impart: When change is on the heart. Gay words and jests may

When Sorrow is asleep: But other things must make us smile.

When Sorrow bids us weep!

Hear not the wind - view not the woods:

Look out o'er vale and hill-In spring, the sky encircled them -

The sky is round them still. Come autumn's scathe come winter's cold --Come change - and human

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# PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

### PARISH PLAN - WEDNESDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER 2011, REMEMBRANCE HALL

Despite the Chairman getting the time wrong in the last edition of the news (for which she offers abject apologies), the Meeting was attended by over 60 Information on Parish Plans adopted elsewhere in Worcestershire and on Parish Plans in general was provided. After explaining that a Parish (or 'neighbourhood') plan was important in that it gave the Parish Council and other local bodies solid evidence of the wishes and priorities of local residents, land owners and business owners the Chairman of the Parish Council, Mrs Mary Campbell, took those present through a list of general groups and invited people to join any group (or groups) which most interested them. It is envisaged that each group will elect a chairman and those chairmen will become the Parish Plan Steering Group. The aim is to produce a questionnaire to be sent out to all households / business owners within the Parish. The results of those questionnaires will then form the basis of the Badsey and Aldington Parish Plan.

The groups are Transport, Services, Children and Young People, Housing, Environment, and Heritage.

Mrs Campbell stressed that any offers of assistance would be greatly appreciated, from those who could offer quite a lot of time, to those who were only in a position to offer to deliver questionnaires to their own street.

# **USEFUL NUMBERS**

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It is very important that the views and opinions of as many different residents are represented and taken into account. If you would like to take part please telephone Mrs Campbell on 01386 833894 or email her using wizpan@chessbroadband.co.uk or contact the Clerk.

### SEPTIC TANKS/PACKAGE TREATMENT PLANTS REGISTRATION

Any residents who have septic tanks or package treatment plants rather than connections to mains drainage are reminded of the need to register these with the Environment Agency by 01 January 2012. Registration is usually free and is important to help the Environment Agency monitor pollution. Anyone who has such a tank/plant and has not yet registered can get further information from the Environment Agency - a link to the EA's guide to registration has been added to the Badsey section of the My Parish website under 'Clerk and Links' (http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/MyParish)

NEW MOBILE PHONE NUMBER The Parish Council now has a mobile phone number as the Clerk will be out and about a bit this year. The number is 07824440380. This will not replace the landline number but allows the Clerk to be contacted by text and the phone will be given to a member of the Council when the Clerk is away.

### **FUTURE MEETINGS:**

The next meetings of the Parish Council will take place on 19 October, 16 November and 21 December. Among the matters for discussion will be the 6 monthly review of expenditure and the setting of the budget and precept for 2012/13.

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

Tel: (01386) 830083. Mob: 07824440380.

E-mail: badseypc@yahoo.co.uk

# SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING PETE SMITH

Liz and Adrian, would like to thank Revd Richard Court and the church team for all their help and guidance. Also friends and neighbours and everyone who came to the service and for the many cards and letters of sympathy received. Thank you all for supporting The Garden of Remembrance refurbishment. A total of £631 was collected.

# CHURCHYARD

During the summer months, numerous parishioners have given of their time to tidy our churchyard and enhance its appearance. We are pleased to announce that due to their efforts, first prize has been achieved in "BEST KEPT CHURCHYARD COMPETITION FOR 2011. Thank you to all those who have made a contribution, it is very much appreciated. In order to maintain this high standard, it is hoped to periodically, organise working parties of volunteers to carry out general tidying and maintenance within the churchyard. These dates will be published in future issues of Community News.

Thank you in anticipation. Chris Robbins