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We were introduced to the world of Alpacas courtesy of Ginnie Meakin who told us about her dream of having a smallholding with animals. When she looked into this she decided she would have to carefully choose what animals she had as she didn't get attached to and then see

want animals she would get attached to and then see them sold for eating. Ginny decided, after much research, to breed Alpaca. What a lot we learnt about this gentle animal. Ginny has diversified into collecting the wool and weaving it into garments which she sells. It was a fascinating insight into Alpacas and we hope to visit Ginny's smallholding in the better weather.

In March we had Julie Menzies who told us about her 'Life as a Midwife'. Julie has been a midwife for many years and it was so interesting to learn how times have changed giving birth. Sometimes for the better but equally sometimes definitely not for the better. Julie regaled us with tales that were funny, sad, memory stirring and most of all very interesting.

Angela Gash has organised a holiday to Eastbourne in November and hopes to organise another Christmas Shopping trip to either Bristol or Cardiff. We are going on a Group Outing on June 6th to Birmingham. Carole Vizor will be guiding us round Brindley Place, the New Library. The Council Offices, Symphony Hall and many other very interesting and historic places with lunch at The Art Gallery. Our card making and embroidery classes are going well and the Art Group will resume in April. Our skittles team have won 4 out of 4 matches in the County Tournament and we have one more to play before we find out if we have reached the semi final.

President Jane Thompson asked if anyone would like to join the Choir at Badsey Church as we are in need of three or four choristers.

We are holding a quiz with Fish & Chip supper on Saturday April 3rd in the hope of raising money to purchase some small tables for Badsey Remembrance Hall.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 13th April when our speaker will be Fiona Rhodes on 'Hatches, Matches and Dispatches'. Anyone is welcome to come along. We meet at the Remembrance Hall, Badsey and the meeting starts at 7.15.pm.

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Date	Time	Service	Place	Preside
Saturday 2nd April	8:30am	Morning Prayer	Offenham	Lay Lead
	8:00am	Eucharist	Offenham	Philip Morton
3rd April 2016	9:30am	Eucharist	N &M Littleton	Philip Morton
2nd Sunday of Easter	9.30 am	Eucharist	Bretforton	Rev H Green
White	9.30 am	Family Service	S Littleton	Rob
	10:30am	10:30@stjames	Badsey	Sue Cole
	11.00 am	Eucharist	Cleeve P	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Cof E	Offenham	Margaret Pye
	6.30 pm	Evensong	Badsey	Joyce and Alan Bache
Wednesday 6th April	10:00am	Eucharist	Badsey	Peter Burch
10th April 2016	9:30am	Eucharist	N &M Littleton	Roy Lodge
3rd Sunday of Easter	9:30am	Eucharist	Bretforton	Philip
White	9.30 am	Eucharist	S Littleton	Clive Leach
	11:00am	Praise and Worshi	p Badsey	Sue Cole
	11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Cleeve P	Joyce and Alan Bache
	12.30pm	Baptism	Badsey	Philip Morton
	2.00pm	Baptism	Offenham	Philip Morton
	6.30pm	Eucharist	Badsey	Philip Morton
	6:30pm	Evensong	Bretforton	Margaret Pye
Saturday 16th April	8:30am	Morning Prayer	Offenham	Lay Lead
	9:30am	Eucharist	N &M Littleton	Philip Morton
	9.30 am	Eucharist	S Littleton	Clive Leach
17th April 2016 1	1.00 am	Family Eucharist	Badsey	Philip Morton
4th Sunday of Easter:	11.00 am	Eucharist	Cleeve P	Clive Leach
	12.30pm	Baptism	N&M Littleton	Philip Morton
White	6.30 pm	Eucharist	Bretforton	Philip Morton
	6.30 pm	Evensong (BCP)	Badsey	Sue Cole
24th April 2016	9:30am	Eucharist	N&M Littleton	To Be Arranged
Queen's Birthd	ay Celebration	9.30 am Eu	charist Badsey	Philip Morton
5th Sunday of Easter	9.30 am	Morning Prayer	S Littleton	Joyce and Alan Bache
white	11.00am	Eucharist	Cleeve P	Philip Morton
	6:30pm	Evensong (BCP)	Badsey	Joyce and Alan Bache
6:30pm Pr	aise and Thanks	giving with the Band	d @ Bretforton Ma	rgaret Pye/ Philip Morton

1st May 2016 6th Sunday of Easter Rogation

White 10:30am Benefice Eucharist Bretforton

Philip Morton

at the Fleece in the orchard with band

Morning Prayer 7.45am each weekday at Badsey Morning Prayer 7.45 am each Monday at Bretforton



1st Sunday - Hazel and Hazel 2nd Sunday - Julie and Barbara 3rd Sunday - Sheila and Annette 4th Sunday - Yvonne, Mary and Jane

Ladies, thank you for the flowers in Church for Easter.

Would anyone like to join our team? If you require information on what it entails, or have any queries regarding Church flowers please contact me

Hazel Stewart 832007





Thought For The Month From



Now that Lent has finally come to an end and Easter is here, the church starts to think about new beginnings and new life. In this part of the world this process is made all the easier as the Easter season coincides with the beginnings of Spring. It is a time of great activity, and hopefully of

fruitful results to come.

This is all particularly resonant with me at the moment as I begin my new ministry here in the Benefice. There is plenty for me to be getting on with, with lots of places to visit and new people to meet. But while all this is very exciting, there is such a thing as too much activity. Just before I moved here, a wise friend of mine reminded me that a good gardener doesn't start digging up a new garden in the first year. How can they know what wonderful flowers still waiting to bloom they might inadvertently destroy? Better to wait and see what treasures lie still beneath the surface.

So while there is much for me to do and learn, there is also a lot of waiting and seeing to be done. I have no

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From The Parish Registers

Funerals

6 February Roberta Addis* 15 February Brenda Hall 24 February Graham Cudd

* We would like to apologize for the misspelling of Roberta Addis in the March Edition of Community News. The ceremony on 6 February was a burial of Ashes.

Revd. Philip Morto

doubt that there are many treasures lying beneath the surface in our churches, many wonderful things being done day in and day out that are perhaps not always immediately visible. I always look for what I call the 'quiet ministries', those people who quietly get on with Christian witness in their care for others; perhaps looking after an elderly relative or neighbour, or those who befriend the lonely, or those who work for the good of the natural world. These quiet ministries can take any one of a thousand different forms and are no less important than the ministries we see in services every week.

It is these quiet ministries that I especially want to see grow and flourish, but it takes time and patience. Like a good gardener, better to see what is already here than make changes immediately. This is something I am particularly looking forward to.

> Revd. Philip Morton Priest in Charge

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Mothers' N Christian care for families

At our March meeting we were pleased to welcome Jean Dyke who gave us a most interesting talk on the Coronation Street Club. The club is for anyone who is aged, disabled or able bodied who like to meet up with other people and enjoy coffee, lunch and entertainment. It is held at The Pub in the Club every Friday and does sterling work.

Penny told us that the Lent Lunches had been very well supported and enjoyed by all those who came to them in Badsey, Offenham and Bretforton. Penny also told us that the Deanery Festival would be held at All Saints Church on 4th April and out next M.U meeting would be held at Offenham on 12th April with the speaker being Margaret Pye on "My Journey". On Tuesday 10th May the speaker will be Rosemary Wells from MAF on "Flying for Life". Anyone wanting to come along would be made most welcome. We meet in St. James Church, Badsey on the second Tuesday of each month at 2.30.pm.

Yvonne Haynes

More information from Penny Christison 830367 mu@ourbenefice.org.uk

Tower News

Following the excitement of last month, to date there are 3 extra occasions to cover for this month.



Saturday, April 2nd - Wedding.

Thursday, April 21st - Queens 90th Birthday.

Saturday, April 23rd St. George's Day.

The latter two of the above have been requested by

The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers. As yet we do not have times arranged.

Service ringing will be back to normal 5.45pm for Evensong unless otherwise requested.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Full Peal attempt on

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> More information from Hilary Bolton 830246 bells@ourbenefice.org.uk



Our meetings for March are as follows:-Friday 8th - Half Term (No Meeting)

Friday 15th - Daniel is Different Friday 29th - Esther to the Rescue 6pm - 7pm

in St James Church

Please remember to let me know if you cannot make any of the meetings.

It is free to join Jigsaw. If you would like to join our group please contact me.

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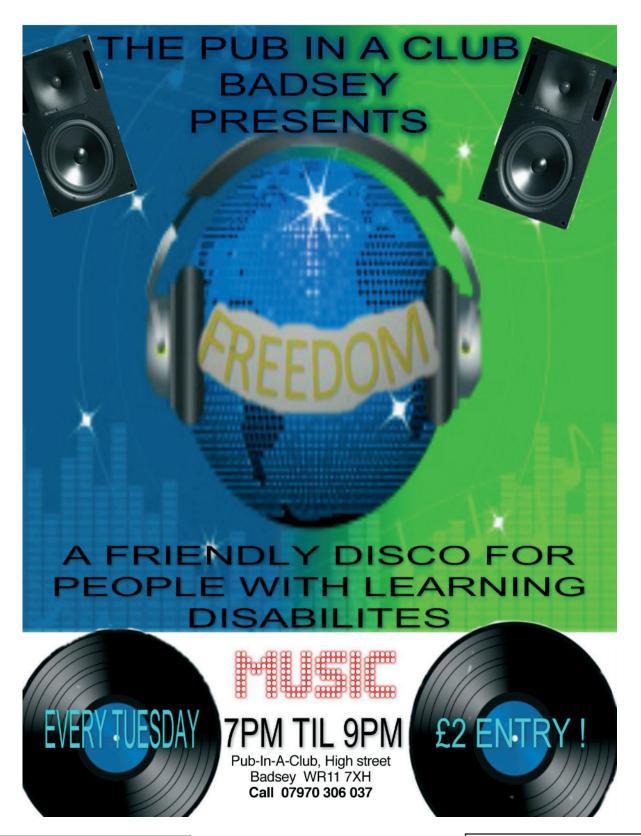
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The children across the school have had their annual road safety training delivered by the Worcestershire County Council team. Children in Y2 and Y4 had the opportunity to practice crossing the road safely outside, learning

about where it is safe to cross and the hazards they should be aware of. Children in the other year groups had workshops in school focusing on basic safety rules appropriate to their age. Following the training the children all made posters highlighting the key safety messages.

We always like to be active and the Y4 children in Willow class took part in a 'Quicksticks' hockey tournament at The De Montfort School. The children played brilliantly competing against many other skills and managed to reach the final! Unfortunately they lost 2-0 to The Holy Redeemer Catholic Primary School, Pershore. The children, did however, show great skill and sportsmanship throughout the competition.

Not to be outdone on the sporting front children in Hazel class (year 1 and 2), took part in a cluster schools dance festival held at the Littletons CE First School. They danced to the music of 'Under the Sea' from the Disney film The Little Mermaid. The children had a super time showing and sharing their dance skills and appreciating other children's performances.

As a school community we hope everyone had a good Easter and are looking forward to the 'warm summer' as much as we are!!

Julie Jones Headteacher



As I have been on holiday during
February I seem to have missed
sending the report about the

Royal British Legion Women's section, Badsey, Aldington & Wickhamford but like to keep informed of what goes on at our meetings.

Unfortunately due to a number of circumstances the Feb one saw few members present but those who did attend enjoyed a game of Bingo. The alphabet quiz which was Q was won by Margaret Breamell with a quiz book, the squares competition was won by Pam Cresswell.

The March meeting sees the return of Jill Price with her amusing passive exercises which all the ladies take part in. A good night out ,why not make the effort now that the winter is drawing to a close and the nights are staying light, longer and join in this night out .Wednesday the 23rd is the date

Val Taylor

Badsey Carnival

A Badsey Carnival followed by a Family Fun Day and picnic is being held on Saturday 30th July 2016.

Funds raised in aid of St Richards Hospice.
Carnival procession through the village ending at
Badsey Community & Sports Club, Brewers Lane,
where there will be fun and games for the whole
family/ village picnic/BBQ followed by a childrens
disco.

Competition for Carnival King & Queen with attendants will be held at the Flowershow on 23rd
July at the Recreation ground.

Volunteering at Badsey Church

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Parish Councillor Vacancy.

Following the resignation of Mr G Hillier, a parish councillor vacancy has become available for Badsey (Bowers Hill). Anyone interested should contact the parish clerk for an application form, the closing date for applications is Friday 15th April 2016.

Communication methods in Badsey and Aldington.

Badsey Parish Council has had great success in reaching out to residents with event and other information via facebook. However there are many people who do not want facebook accounts.

To fill in this gap a new village events calendar has been created that works on all devices in a web browser. The link is: http://www.localendar.com/public/Badsey-PC

In addition we have an email list server that will be used to send regular updates via email. To subscribe send an email with the subject "subscribe" to:

badsey-pc@freelists.org"

Parish Council Meeting Dates 2016

The dates for the forthcoming Parish Council Meetings are as follows:

- Wednesday 20th April
- Wednesday 18th May
- Wednesday 15th June

Meetings start at 7.30pm with a public forum for 10 minutes from 7.30pm until 7.40pm and are held at the Remembrance Hall, Horsebridge Avenue, Badsey.

Parish Clerk: Andrea Evans (Mrs),

Ty Gwen, Church Street, Offenham, WR11 8RW. Tel: 760332 Email: badseypc@yahoo.co.uk

Monthly Quiz

True or False

Tiger Woods got his name from his mother. Kultida is from Thailand, and in her home country her name means 'Little Tiger'.

March's Answer:

True: Cartoon legend Bart Simpson is actually voiced by a woman, Nancy Cartwright. Cartwright voices a number of the Simpson's characters, as well as Chuckie in Rugrats. She was at the centre of a threatened strike by The Simpsons' voice team, since then their salaries have risen astronomically.

Did you know...

Badsey Church is available and can be booked for use for certain social occasions. Please contact Churchwardens for more details. (Details page 3)

Offenham Floral Society

Last month's meeting took place on 2nd March at Offenham Village Hall. The flower demonstration this month was Mrs Marie Munday. Her designs were all based on popular movies they were interesting, each one quite different, the flowers she used were amazing. Her chat equalled her bubbly personality with lots of colourful tales made for a very memorable evening.

The evening was well attended and we welcomed four new members. If you'd like to come along to one of our meetings, they are usually held on the first Wednesday of each month at Offenham Village Hall.

Our April meeting is a very special meeting at Evesham Arts Centre. Mrs Diane Fair, a qualified and acclaimed national flower demonstrator will be our special guest showing off her skills to the title "Gifts of the Season".

The event is on 6th April at 7.30pm. Tickets are £9 from Sue Magee, 01386 859678. Why not come along and enjoy what promises to be an amazing evening.

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Over 60's Friendship Club	(Wendy Neal)	01386 832306

Missing

Small tabby, no white, neutered & chipped His Name is Dexter Missing since Monday 18th January 2016 If found, please contact Tracey Bonnet on



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Community



Badsey Village Hall

Sunday 17th April 3.00 - 5.00 Pm

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Wheatsheaf Film Club

Luvvies

Don't forget its Film Club this month in the back room of the Wheatsheaf and we are showing (8pm starts):

2nd April Mr Holmes

16th April Withnails & I

Clivey x

Wickhamford Gardening Club

The next meeting of the gardening club is scheduled for Wednesday 27th April in the Memorial Hall, at 7.30pm. Our speaker this month is Julian Tolkein, and his talk is entitled "In your Greenhouse". We look forward to seeing everyone, but if further information required then please contact committee members.

Sue Stayt

Just A Thought

Sunshine is delicious, rain is refreshing, wind braces up, snow is exhilarating; there is no such thing as bad weather just different kinds of good weather.

- John Ruskin