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#### LIGHT LUNCH DATE INVITATION

Wednesday 31st May 2017

Are you new to the village? Do you live alone? Do you struggle to get out? Or do you just like the idea of meeting people for a light lunch with entertainment and friendly company.

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It would be wonderful if we could raise a substantial amount this year to support the work of Christian Aid.

**Hazel Smith** 



## Saturday 20th May 2017 2pm - 4pm St. James Church, Badsey

#### PLEASE MAKE A CAKE & DONATE

1st Badsey Beavers are holding a cake sale on the above date, with all proceeds from the sale going towards the refurbishment of the Scout Hut.

The Beavers will be taking part in a 'Bake Off' where they will be judged for their bakes by our very own 'Paul & Mary'! Please come along for Tea & Coffee, Cake Sale & Raffle. Cake donations to be dropped off at St. James Church

between 11a.m. - 12p.m.



German Partnership Visit to England 2017

There will be a meeting on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May in St. James Church Badsey at 7.30p.m to discuss plans for the visit from our Friends in Germany from Thursday 3rd to Monday 7th August. All welcome to attend, ideas please for "things to do" and volunteers to host (most of our friends speak English).

Alex Christison

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## The Benefice of The East Vale and Avon Villages

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Date	Time	Service	Place	Preside
Wednesday 3rd May	10:00am	Eucharist	Badsey	Philip Morton
Saturday 6th May	8:30am	Morning prayer	Offenham	Lay led
Sunday 7th May	8:00am	Eucharist	Offenham	Philip Morton
	9:30am	Eucharist	Bretforton	Philip Morton
	9:30am	Family service	Offenham	Joyce Bache
	9:30am	Family service	South Littleton	Margaret Pye
	11:00am	Eucharist	Badsey	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Family service	Cleeve Prior	Margaret Pye
	4:30pm	Eucharist	N&M Littleton	Philip Morton
	6:30pm	Evensong	Bretforton	Alan Bache
Sunday 14th May	9:30am	Eucharist	Offenham	John Green
	9:30am	Morning praise	South Littleton	Joyce & Alan Bache
	9:30am	Morning praise	Bretforton	Margaret Pye
	11:00am	Eucharist	Cleeve Prior	John Green
	11:00am	Family service	Badsey	Sue Cole
	4:30pm	Evensong	N&M Littleton	Joyce & Alan Bache
Saturday 20th May	8:30am	Morning prayer	Offenham	Lay led
Sunday 21st May	9:30am	Eucharist	South Littleton	Philip Morton
	9:30am	Morning praise	Offenham	Margaret Pye
	11:00am	Family Eucharist	Badsey	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Eucharist	Cleeve Prior	Clive Leech
	4:30pm	Eucharist	N&M Littleton	Philip Morton
	6:30pm	Eucharist	Bretforton	Philip Morton
	6:30pm	Evensong	Badsey	Margaret Pye
Thursday 25th May	7:00pm	Benefice Eucharist	Badsey	Philip Morton
Ascension Day				
Sunday 28th May	9:30am	Eucharist	Offenham	Philip Morton
	9:30am	Morning praise	South Littleton	Alan Bache
	9:30am	Morning praise	Bretforton	Sue Cole
	11:00am	Eucharist	Cleeve Prior	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Morning praise	Badsey	Alan Bache
	4:30pm	Evensong	N&M Littleton	Philip Morton
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Morning Prayer 7.45 am 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 Maureen and Sandra

Ladies, thank you for the flowers in Church during April, especially the lovely arrangements for Easter.

Any queries regarding the church flowers please contact me (details on back page).

Hazel Stewart



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## Thought For The Month From

Dear friends

This month I am using my letters slot to promote something that is happening in the local area, something that offers practical help to local people. It started with a new initiative called Germinate, which operates out of the Arthur Rank Centre in Warwickshire, that is designed to help churches in rural areas. But it is not only churches that they are keen to help. An off-shoot of this work is called Germinate Enterprise, and the aim is to help people in rural areas who are thinking about setting up their own businesses.

The first steps to setting up and running a small business for yourself can be a very daunting task, and many people find themselves put off by the risks of it all. This is where Germinate Enterprise might be able to help. They bring in experienced business advisors to run a six-week course that takes prospective business-owners through a programme which allows them to explore ideas and develop a basic business plan. Although this initiative is based on Christian ethical values, there is no pressure to start attending church! It comes simply from the conviction that the church should be helping people in the community wherever need exists. In their own words, Germinate Enterprise says:

## Revd. Fr. Philip Morton

"In most communities there are people who would love to set up their own small business or social enterprise, but lack confidence and the practical skills needed to choose an idea and work out whether it is viable.

Germinate Enterprise is a resource that churches or other groups can use to help their community flourish through job creation, retaining young and working age residents and tackling rural poverty.

Given the growing availability of high speed broadband, the need many farmers have to diversify, and the availability of business skills in many congregations, there is a unique opportunity to reach out and offer a resource of real benefit."

In our local area, business and enterprise advisors Chris Sheehan and Sarah Hewitt will be running a six-week course from Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June at the Hampton Farm Shop, Evesham. If you would like to know more about Germinate Enterprise, please contact Chris on 07977 072 105 or email chrispetersheehan@btinternet.com. Alternatively, look up www.germinate.net/enterprise

Revd. Fr. Philip Morton

Priest in Charge

## From The Parish Registers

**Funerals** 

31 May Gwendoline Hughes 3 Apr Iris Mary Brazier

## Vicar's Surgeries

In a slight change to the usual pattern of Benefice surgeries, I will now be holding the surgery at the Vicarage in Badsey, on alternate Tuesday evenings from 6pm-8pm. This is for anyone who wants to book baptisms (christenings) and weddings. It's also great for me, as I get to meet to people who want to book a special service early on in the process and get to know them a little bit.

You can book baptisms and weddings for any of the churches in the Benefice. All you have to do is contact our lovely administrator Wendy and she will book you an appointment. Wendy can be contacted on 01386 424728 or admin@eastavaleavon.org.uk

## **Church Ministry Team**

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## **Freedom Disco**

Everyone at Freedom would like to thank everyone that attended our bus launch/celebration day in 24<sup>th</sup> March, you helped make it a huge success.

Again thank you to everybody who donated money, prizes and equally as important our fundraising bingos. The bingos help to keep the bus on the road

Also thanks to a very generous person we now have had a donation of £10000 so Freedom day centre will be up and running hopefully within the next two months. Anyone who'd like to do voluntary work please contact me on 07979306037. Our aim is to incorporate a community cafe so hopefully this will give people a place to come and have a natta or just have a drink and browse the papers. This will be a vital part of the Day centre as the clients can interact with the more able bodied, gaining a lot of confidence. Hopefully your all pop along once open.

Again from all at Freedom grateful thanks.

Tracey xx

## **Volunteering at Badsey Church**

If you can spare a few minutes or hours regularly or as a 'one off occasion' then please contact the Churchwardens:

Elizabeth Bolland **830638** Chris Smith **830217** 

## **TOWER NEWS**

May Day Bank Holiday will see a visiting team from Sussex who are here to enjoy our lovely bells as well as the wonderful area of the Vale.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> will be the 1<sup>st</sup> wedding of the season at 12.30 noon.

With all services now at 11.00am we will be running a bit short on numbers as some ringers that help us out will be ringing for their own tower at the same time.

Hilary & John Bolton

## **Offenham Floral Arts Society**

Our May meeting is 'Pandora's Box' on Wednesday 3rs May. This a very social fun evening when members bring a box of assorted flowers and foliage for someone else to arrange.

We look forward to welcoming members and visitors to enjoy an evening with flowers.

Offenham Village Hall - 7.30pm

Further information from Mary Clarke - 832544

## **Evesham & District Music Club**

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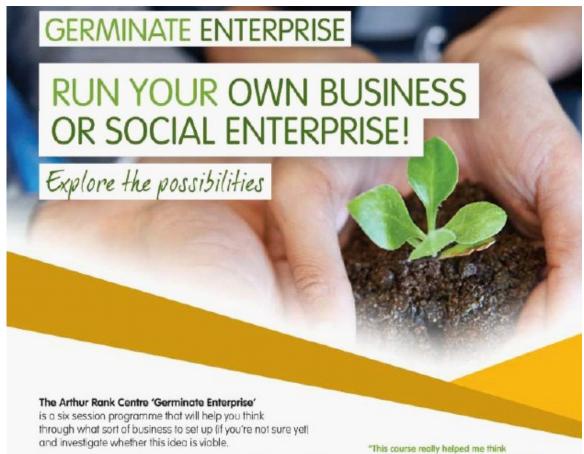
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The course is enjoyable and informative, and builds up a simple business plan from a series of exercises. It has been developed by experienced entrepreneurs and social entrepreneurs at the Arthur Rank Centre. A straightforward workbook given to every participant contains the material and includes a wealth of references for further information.

"This course really helped me think logically through the step-by-step of setting up a business for the first time"

"Very interesting and relevant... the atmosphere is easy going but we got a lot

"The structure of the course is excellent - succinct and easy to understand and implement"

"I learned a lot and now I feel more confident in starting a business"

For further information please contact:

Chris Sheehan on 07977072105 or chrispetersheehan@btinternet.com The 6 workshops will run from 6.30 to 8.30pm on Thursdays as follows 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> June and 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> July 2017. Venue is Hampton Farm Shop, Evesham. Cost is £5/person per week to include workbook and coffee

The course will be mentored by Chris Sheehan and Sarah Hewitt who have run many successful businesses including a local social



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TUESDAY 30 MAY	DROP IN CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES	BADSEY CHURCH	10am - 4pm
FRIDAY 2 JUNE	THE LORD'S PRAYER A REFLECTION	BADSEY CHURCH	7 – 8 PM
SATURDAY 3 JUNE	PRAYER BREAKFAST	BADSEY CHURCH	9 – 10 AM



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In March 1927 Badsey W.I. was formed with a Mrs Boucher as President, who also instigated its formation, a Miss Ella Jones Secretary was and Miss

Kelland was Treasurer. Until 1952 when Wickhamford formed their own W.I. we were known as Badsey and Wickhamford W.I. This means that this year we are 90 years old. What an achievement and a testament to this wonderful organisation, which despite changes over 90 years, has not faltered or decreased its value to the women of Badsey and in fact all around the country.

In our 90th year, which we will celebrate in September with a lunch at the Remembrance Hall, we have thus far had some interesting speakers which have included, Humour in Retirement which reiterated what most of us already knew, that retirement is a state of mind and along with the angst of wondering what we will do and the oncoming aches and pains there is a lot of fun and humour in retirement. Then we had the Life and Times of Buddy Holly. A wonderful singer and icon in his day. Unfortunately he died at a very young age but his music lives on (well for some of us!).

In March we heard about Wicked Women which was fascinating and quite macabre. Fortunately there wasn't anyone from our W.I. mentioned.

April we had Angela Tidmarsh from Wychavon Tourism and what an amazing insight this was into how our Asparagus Festival and Plum Festival has become known throughout many countries of the world. Each year they get bigger and better but what a lot of hard work goes into their success, mainly through volunteers and sponsors. This year the Vale is going

**GREEN** for the Asparagus season which begins on St. George's day. A convoy of Morgan Cars will take a 100 bundle, grown by Billy Bird, from the Fleece Inn at Bretforton to Worcester Cathedral where a special service is being held in the afternoon in thanksgiving for the harvest of the 'Gras and where it will be blessed before winging its way to Brussels as a gift to the EU as they are preparing to give Vale of Evesham Asparagus the same sort of status as the Cornish Pasty, Worcester Sauce etc. and this will carry on going through Brussels despite Brexit. Green has been the chosen colour. for people to wear to any asparagus event and the Bell Tower and Almonry Museum will be lit up with green lighting.

Our art, embroidery, and card making classes are being very well supported and our skittles team are winning a few and losing a few matches but having great fun playing other W.I.s.

Our meeting May in our AGM when a new President and committee will be elected.

We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 7.15.pm at the Remembrance Hall and all are welcome.

Yvonne Haynes

## Monthly Quiz True or False

The world's larges frog, a Goliath frog, is three feet long and can make a call louder than that for any human voice.

April's Answer:

**True:** Before a London Blue Plaque can be erected, the subject must have been either dead for 20 years or born at least 100 years previously.

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Badsey Church	(Wendy Stafford)	01386 424728
admin@ourbenefice.org.uk		

#### **Historical Societies**

Badsey Society	(Valerie Magan)	01386 832100
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#### <u>Organisations</u>

Women's Institute	(Jane Thompson)	01386 858944
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#### **Youth Organisations**

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	Over 60's Friendship Club	(Wendy Neal)	01386 832306
	Coronation Street Disabled Club	(Jean Dyke)	01386 830714
	Badsey Church Flower Guild	(Hazel Stewart)	01386 832007
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# BADSEY OVER 60s' CLUB JOTTINGS for March 2017.

Mary opened the meeting at 14.30 hrs.

37 Members attended the A G M on Tuesday April 4<sup>th</sup>. which Mary opened at 14.30 hrs. The accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup>. December 2016 were presented to the membership, There being no nominations for any positions on the committee the current committee being willing to carry on for a further term was voted back in en-bloc.

The proceedings being over with the sheets were handed round with a list of meals for our next outing to Dymock on Wednesday April 19<sup>th</sup>., coach departing at 10.45 hrs.

After a few games of OIK, we then enjoyed refreshments and

Mike (for Wendy)

## **Wheatsheaf Film Club**

Luvvies

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Clivey x

## **Wickhamford Gardening Club**

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Sue Stayt

## Just A Thought

You may not always end up where you thought you were going. But you will always end up where your were meant to be.

- Jessica Taylor

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