

Community News

Badsey and Aldington August 2017

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BADSEY CARNIVAL

Saturday 5th August 2017

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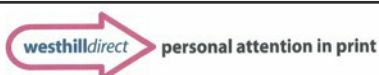
Plenty of family friendly fun
afterwards at Badsey Community
Sports Club, Brewers Lane.

Badsey's Soap Box Derby Sunday 27th August

The soapbox committee are looking for a number of marshalls to help on the day, if you are able to help, please contact the clerk details on page 8.

Barn Dance-Saturday 23rd September

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Deadline: 10th of previous month

Editor: John Cole - Email: badseyeditorial@eastvaleavon.org.uk

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The Benefice of The East Vale and Avon Villages

Date	Time	Service	Place	Preside
Wednesday 2nd August	10:00am	Eucharist	Badsey	Philip Morton
Saturday 5th August	8:30am 6:30pm	Morning prayer German Partnership Celebration	Offenham Badsey	Lay led Philip Morton
Sunday 6th August <i>The Transfiguration of Our Lord</i>	8:00am 9:30am 9:30am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am 4:30pm 6:30pm	Eucharist Eucharist Family service Family service Eucharist Family service Eucharist Evensong	Offenham Bretforton South Littleton Offenham Badsey Cleeve Prior North & Middle Littleton Bretforton	Philip Morton Philip Morton Sue Cole Margaret Pye Philip Morton Sue Cole Philip Morton Margaret Pye
Sunday 13th August	9:30am 9:30am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am 4:30pm	Eucharist Morning praise Family service Eucharist Family service Evening worship	Offenham South Littleton Bretforton Cleeve Prior Badsey North & Middle Littleton	Philip Morton Alan Bache Margaret Pye Philip Morton Sue Cole Philip Morton
Saturday 19th August	8:30am	Morning prayer	Offenham	Lay led
Sunday 20th August	9:30am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am 4:30pm 6:30pm 6:30pm	Eucharist Morning praise Family Eucharist Eucharist Eucharist Eucharist Evensong	South Littleton Offenham Badsey Cleeve Prior North & Middle Littleton Bretforton Badsey	Philip Morton Sue Cole Philip Morton Clive Leech Philip Morton Philip Morton Joyce Bache
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Morning Prayer 7.45 am each weekday at Badsey
Morning Prayer 7.45 am each Monday at Bretforton



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

Ladies, thank you for the Church flowers throughout July. Any queries regarding church flowers or if anyone would like to join our team please get in touch. (details on back page).

Hazel Stewart



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Thought For The Month From

Revd. Fr. Philip Morton

Dear friends

This month the churches of the Benefice are delighted to welcome our friends from Kroppenstedt in Germany on their visit to England. We have enjoyed a long partnership with the Lutheran Churches in the Halberstadt region, and we take it in turns to visit each other every other year. This year marks the 500th anniversary of the beginnings of the Reformation, when Martin Luther nailed his famous 95 Theses to the cathedral door in Wittenberg and started a process that would change Europe for ever. It is lovely that the Diocese of Worcester has such close links with the Lutheran Church in Germany, and we are very pleased that the Archdeacon of Worcester, Robert Jones, is coming to lead a special service for us at St. James,

Badsey on Saturday 5th August at 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome to join us.

The other event of note in August is the Deanery Pilgrimage, taking place on Saturday 12th August. The idea is to travel from Winchcombe to Buckland, via Hailes Abbey. The idea is to enjoy some time with members of other churches in the Deanery and to take in some of the historical sites on the way. If you are interested in joining us, please do get in touch as we will need to know numbers.

Revd. Fr. Philip Morton

Priest in Charge

From The Parish Registers

Baptism

2 July Katie Helen Such

Weddings

10 June Ashley Burman
& Vicki Chamberlain

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@eastvaleavon.org.uk

Church Ministry Team

Priest in Charge: Revd. Fr. Philip Morton 832599

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Email: vicar@ourbenefice.org.uk

The Vicar's day off is Friday

Administrator: Wendy Stafford 424728

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Churchwardens: Mrs Elizabeth Bolland 830638

Mr Chris Smith 830217

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THE GROUND FORCE TEAM

TOWER NEWS

For those wondering about July:-
Kidderminster and Leeds were the visiting teams.
The Patron saint for St. James was as usual
celebrated along with the Show.
Unfortunately due to advancing age and illness
we have not been able to mark this with a Full Peal
Team.

August as usual being quite quiet due to holidays.
The highlight being a visit from our German friends
Saturday 5th at 6.30pm the Archdeacon will be in
attendance to help celebrate their time with us.
For this special occasion we hope the Service will
be marked by the bells being rung beforehand.

Two weddings this month one on Saturday 26th
followed by one on Thursday 31st.

Hilary & John Bolton

BE AWARE

A number of local churches have had
lead stolen from their roof recently.
Apart from the cost of replacement this
can also cause serious damage to the
fabric of the building.

Can we ask all villagers to be aware of
this threat to our church and be
vigilant? If you see any suspicious
activity in or around the church can you
please ring the police and also if
possible make a note of any vehicle
registration numbers of suspicious
vehicles.

**The non-emergency number for the
police is 101**

Thank you for your help



1st Badsey Beavers would like to say a big
'Thankyou' to everyone for coming to
their Cake Sale at St James Church, which
took place in May.

We had fantastic support and raised over
£480.00. A donation was made to the
Church and all other proceeds will go
towards the refurbishment of the Scout
Hut.

Benefice Home Group

There will be no home group in August

Our next meeting will be

26th September 2017

7.30pm

At 12 Myatt Road, Offenham

Continuing our reflection on the Holocaust through
the lens of the Good Samaritan

Theme discussion: The Passers-By

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From Bishop Graham, Bishop of Dudley

From time to time I arrange day visits around a theme so that I can meet people across the voluntary, public and private sectors involved in making a better society in Dudley. In early July I spent a day finding out more about benefits, poverty and debt.

Having heard that there was an increased demand for basic provisions from food banks, I was keen to find out what was really going on and get under the skin of the benefits system. Universal Credit has just been rolled out in Dudley. The Cameron government's flagship reform to the benefits system had the laudable aim of making claiming much easier, wrapping six benefits into one, as well as encouraging those who are able to seek work. I wanted to see how it was working.

Throughout my day, I was shocked by what I discovered.

Bishop Graham finds out about benefits My first visit was to Brierley Hill Citizens' Advice, often the first port of call for people who are utterly confused by the benefits system. To claim Universal Credit you need an email address and bank account and many of the most vulnerable people in our society have neither of these. The online forms can be complex and difficult for many people to understand. Making a genuine mistake can set you back to the beginning again. The help of Citizens' Advice volunteers makes a big difference to struggling claimants but I kept hearing about their frustration with the system.

I heard also about delays in benefit payments being made and people having to wait up to 12 weeks for their payments to begin. Imagine no income for such a period. How would you pay rent or buy food or pay your utility bills if you had no savings? This can all too easily create the arena for loan sharks targeting people, others being taken advantage of, or a downward spiral into mental illness.

Bishop Graham at the Black Country food bank The Black Country Food Bank is one agency that is there to provide some support for people in desperate need. Churches are, apparently, its greatest donors. So thank you for all you are doing. I saw around the warehouse and was deeply impressed with the systematic organisation of the stock and the compassion of the staff. But, please, give baked beans a miss for a while – they've got enough to make a significant dent in the ozone layer! Their needs change from week to week and are posted on <http://www.blackcountryfoodbank.org.uk/what-can-i-donate/> Now is the time, away from their bumper donation periods of harvest and Christmas, when the shelves are running low.

Bishop Graham at Castle & Crystal Later in the day I visited a debt and finance support team, hearing about some of the chronic situations that they come across daily, and visited Dudley Council Plus which can provide emergency loans via the Castle and Crystal Credit Union. As a diocese we support the work of this credit union, and I've opened a personal account with them. They need other local people in need http://www.castleandcrystal.co.uk/savings_how_to_join.php

Poverty remains a scourge on the face of British society. It stacks the odds ever higher against people and it results not just in material disadvantage but poorer health, poorer education, poorer work, poorer housing and poorer opportunities. As Christians we are called to live in the imitation of Jesus who came to "preach good news to the poor, proclaim freedom for the prisoners, recovery of sight for the blind, and release the oppressed" (Luke 4:18). When we are good news to those living in poverty, when we take care to hear their stories and not be blind to poverty, and when we speak out for what is intolerable in a healthy society, so a momentum for change grows and God's Kingdom draws near.

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Hedges.

We have had a number of complaints about overgrown hedges around the village, a number of residents have already been contacted, thank you to those that have carried out the work already. Please can you ensure that you keep your hedge well trimmed so that it does not cause an obstruction to other residents on footpaths.

Smartwater.

The PC is considering the provision of Smartwater to all households in Badsey, Blackminster and Aldington to mark household items so that they are registered to your property in the case of theft. Information will be available at the Roadshow event on Wednesday 20th September 2017 at 7.00pm (immediately before the PC meeting) at Badsey Remembrance Hall. Information about Smartwater can be found at www.smartwater.com. There will be NO cost to residents should you be interested in enrolling in the scheme.

Play Area, petanque and Adult Gym.

The PC are looking at providing a number of extra areas around Badsey using section 106 funds. Plans have been drawn up for a possible play area at Badsey Sports & Community Club as well as a petanque area and adult gym facility. Further information and designs will be available for residents to consider and comment on over the next few months.

Play Areas.

Both the play areas at Badsey Remembrance Hall and Recreation Ground have recently been re-painted and repaired where needed new steps being put into the

bank at the Rec. The bark is also due to be re-filled. The seesaw was removed last summer as it was broken and we have been actively seeking the replacement and repair of the part since then. I am pleased to advise that this has now been resolved and the seesaw should be back in use shortly.

Parish Council Meeting- Dates 2017

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

- No AUGUST meeting
- Wednesday 20th September
- Wednesday 18th October

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.
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Monthly Quiz True or False

Minnesota resident Christopher Rollers believes he is God, and consequently brought a court case against two celebrity magicians for stealing his powers.

July's Answer:

True: The Magnificent Seven, was based on an early Japanese classic. Akira Kurasawa's near three hour epic, The Seven Samurai has an almost identical plot to John Sturges' Wild West tale. Unlike Hollywood, Kurasawa resisted the urge to cash in with three inferior sequels. The Seven Samurai remains essential viewing.



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Fridge Dates

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Frequently Asked Questions

What is it?

A list of events happening in the local area.

Where can it be found?

Currently Fridge Dates can be downloaded from: eastvaleavon.org.uk and badsey.org.uk

Can I have my event listed on Fridge Dates?

Yes, any organisation or person in the Vale of Evesham and the Diocese of Worcester can have their event listed on Fridge Dates.

How much does it cost to list my event?

It is free, to list events simply send the details of your event, plus a contact name, number and email address to fridgedates@eastvaleavon.org.uk.

How far ahead can I place my event onto Fridge Dates?

As soon as you know about it! You can send events up to a year in advance. You are also welcome to send us a poster which could be displayed on the website.

Can I update my listing once it is published?

Yes please! Especially if your event is sold out or cancelled, all listings can be updated simply by emailing fridgedates@eastvaleavon.org.uk

Can I print Fridge Dates to display on my organisation's noticeboard?

Yes, however please be aware that Fridge Dates is updated regularly, so printed copies may go out of date quickly.

Can I put a link to Fridge Dates on our organisation's website?

Yes of course, if you email us at webmaster@eastvaleavon.org.uk, we can provide you with the full script for Fridge Dates and the button.

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German Partnership

You are all welcome to attend a celebratory service on Saturday 5th August at 6.30pm in Badsey Church for the visit of our German Partnership the preacher is the Archdeacon of Worcester. There will be a full programme for the visit on the church website and you are welcome to join in.

Alex Christison 830367
partnership@eastvaleavon.org.uk

Just A Thought

Life toughens up the soft people and softens up the tough people.

- Mike Marino, Jr.

USEFUL NUMBERS

Venues

<u>Badsey Remembrance Hall</u>	(Rebecca Bomford)	01386 300354
<u>Badsey Community and sports club</u>	(Carol Hampton)	01386 830867
<u>Badsey Church</u>	(Wendy Stafford)	01386 424728
admin@eastvaleavon.org.uk		

Historical Societies

<u>Badsey Society</u>	(Valerie Magan)	01386 832100
info@badsey.net		

Organisations

<u>Women's Institute</u>	(Jane Neill)	01386 830301
<u>Mothers' Union</u>	(Joyce Bache)	01386 839464
mu@eastvaleavon.org.uk		
<u>Bell Ringers</u>	(Hilary Bolton)	01386 830246

Youth Organisations

<u>1st Badsey Scout Group</u>	(Nichol Brown)	01386 882350
<u>1st Badsey Guides</u>		www.girlguiding.org.uk
<u>Jigsaw</u>	(Wendy Morrey)	01386 831080
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Sports, Clubs and Groups

<u>Air Rifle Club</u>	(Ashley Green)	01386 832296
<u>Archery Club</u>	(Ian Trout)	01386 831509
<u>Autogras</u>	(Tony Padfield)	01386 830127
<u>Badsey Cricket Club</u>	(David Powell)	01386 833122
<u>Badsey Rangers FC</u>	(Mick Loram)	01386 832040
<u>Badsey United FC</u>	(Martin Schembri)	07804 921353
<u>Ladies Hockey</u>	(Jane Rickey)	01386 833947
<u>Model Engineering Club</u>	(Peter Merris)	01386 831782
<u>Round Of Gras Cricket Club</u>	(Clive Richards)	01386 832685
<u>Over 60's Friendship Club</u>	(Wendy Neal)	01386 832306
<u>Coronation Street Disabled Club</u>	(Jean Dyke)	01386 830714
<u>Badsey Church Flower Guild</u>	(Hazel Stewart)	01386 832007

Messy Church

Sun 24th September

4pm-6pm

Offenham School

Free Fun for Families

Crafts Activities

Free Tea at 5.00pm

More information from: Penny Christison -
messy@eastvaleavon.org.uk

Badsey Film Club

Luvvies

Here are the Films we are showing this month:
SATURDAY 5th August I, Daniel Blake

SATURDAY 19th August Thelma and Louise

SATURDAY 9th September Their Finest

Films start at 8.00pm (Bar open from midday)

Get there early for a decent seat and don't forget your 50p for the halftime Ice Cream!!

Annual Sub £5cheapest night out in the Vale!!

Clivey x

Wickhamford Gardening Club

Our August meeting is our annual Summer Show. This month it takes place on Wednesday 23rd August in the Memorial Hall commencing at 7.30pm. Judging will commence at 8.00pm efficiently carried out as usual by our Club President and Chairman. Show schedules were dispensed at our July garden visit meeting but further copies are available from our club Secretary, Barbara Bennett, tel: 01386 831002. We hope you will raid your gardens for your best vegetables and flowers at the same time perfecting your baking skills for the cookie class and look forward to welcoming you all.

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