### OCTOBER 2017

# Community News

# **BADSEY & ALDINGTON**

Part of the Benefice of East Vale and Avon Villages

Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap, but by the seeds that you plant

Robert Louis Stevenson



# FRIENDS OF BADSEY CHURCH

QUIZ

Badsey Remembrance Hall

On Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2017 TICKETS £6.50

> From: Alex Christison - Tel: 830367 Anne MCCombie - Tel: 640801 Diana Condliffe - Tel: 833964

#### Or

Quiz@eastvaleavon.org.uk

INCLUDES FISH AND CHIPS BRING YOUR OWN DRINK AND GLASSES



Keeping with tradition, the Anglican Benefice of East Vale and Avon hosted a four-day visit during August for members of the Evangelical Church of Central Germany.

Our visitors enjoyed a busy weekend that began with a guided tour of Pershore Abbey and Eucharist service, which was later followed by a visit to Wendy Stafford's glassworks. The weekend itinerary also included a road trip to Weston-Super-Mare and visits to a selection of gardens that participate in the National Garden Scheme.

A special Eucharist service was conducted at St James church by Archdeacon Robert Jones. At the end of the service sung in both English and German, the leader of the German group presented Reverend Philip Morton with a gift as a mark of appreciation of the partnership shared between the two church groups. An invitation was also extended for the Benefice to visit Germany in 2018 to celebrate the 20th anniversary of a partnership which over the years has forged strong cultural understanding and built lasting friendships.

# PARISH PHONE BOOK

# Vicar's Surgery

The Vicar's Surgery is held on alternate Tuesday evenings from 6.00pm - 8.00pm. at the Vicarage in Badsey. I use this time to meet and get to know the people who have a desire to book a baptism or wedding at any of the wonderful churches in the Benefice.

Our administrator Wendy Stafford is available to help you arrange your appointment. Wendy can be contacted on **01386 424728** or alternatively by email: admin@eastvaleavon.org.uk

# **Useful Numbers**

Badsey Remembrance Hall Rebecca Bomford 01386 300354

Badsey Community & Sports Club Carol Hampton 01386 830867

(Call to enquire about hiring the venue for a private event)

Badsey Church - St. James	Wendy Stafford admin@eastvaleav	
Bell Ringers	Hilary Bolton	01386 830246
Badsey Church Flower Guild	Hazel Stewart	01386 832007

**HISTORIC SOCIETIES** 

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Messy Church	Email:	Penny Christison messy@eastvalea	
COMMUNI	FY GROU	<u>PS</u>	
Over 60's Friendship C	ub	Wendy Neal	01386 832306
Coronation Street Disa	bled Club	Jean Dyke	01386 830714
<b>ENTERTAIN</b>	MENT		
Badsey Film Club		Clive Richards	01386 832685

# **Church Ministry & Team**

**Priest in Charge:** 

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#### Your Church Website

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# SPORT TEAMS, CLUBS & GROUPS

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Autograss	Tony Padfield	01386 830127
Badsey Cricket Club	David Powell	01386 833122
Badsey Rangers FC	Mick Loram	01386 832040
Badsey United FC	Martin Schembri	07804 921353
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# Thought For The Month From Revd. Fr. Philip Morton

#### **Dear Friends**

This is the season of harvest when the farmers and growers after much hard work, have gathered in the majority of their produce. The farmers planted their seeds months ago but many of the fruit growers would have had their trees planted possibly decades ago. Irrespective of when the seeds or trees were planted the harvest is now very much gathered in. Over previous years much has been done in the six churches of our Benefice to plant the 'seeds' of the gospel and we must begin to look for the 'harvest' from all those various efforts. Last month I mentioned the new Messy Church starting and also the Bishop's Certificate course. Let us look forward to these two new ventures to bring in a 'harvest' into our churches along with the many other exciting events that are happening in the coming months.

#### **Morning Prayer** St. James, Badsey -7.45 am each weekday

#### St. Leonard's, Bretforton -7.45 am each Monday

Date	Time	Service	Place	Preside
Sunday 1st October	8:00am	Eucharist	Offenham	Philip Morton
Harvest Festival	9:30am	Eucharist	Bretforton	Philip Morton
	9:30am	Family service	South Littleton	Joyce Bache
	9:30am	Family service	Offenham	Margaret Pye
		Family Eucharist w/		
	11:00am	School	Badsey	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Family service	Cleeve Prior	Margaret Pye
	4:30pm	Eucharist	N&MLittleton	Philip Morton
	7:00pm	Silver Band	Bretforton	Margaret Pye
Wednesday 4th				
October	10:00am	Eucharist	Badsey	Philip Morton
St. Francis of Assisi				
Saturday 7th October	8:30am	Morning prayer	Offenham	Lay led
Sunday 8th October	9:30am	Eucharist	Offenham	Philip Morton
	9:30am	Morning praise	South Littleton	Margaret Pye
	9:30am	Family service	Bretforton	Joyce & Alan Bache
	11:00am	Eucharist	Cleeve Prior	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Family service	Badsey	Joyce & Alan Bache
	4:30am	Evensong	N&MLittleton	Philip Morton
Saturday 14th October	8:30am	Morning prayer	Offenham	Lay led
Sunday 15th October	9:30am	South Littleton	Eucharist	Philip Morton
	9:30am	Morning praise	Offenham	Sue Cole
	11:00am	Family Eucharist	Badsey	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Eucharist	Cleeve Prior	Clive Leech
	4:30pm	Eucharist	N&MLittleton	Philip Morton
	6:30pm	Eucharist	Bretforton	Philip Morton
	6:30pm	Evensong	Badsey	Alan Bache
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Sunday 22nd October	9:30am	Eucharist	Offenham	Philip Morton
	9:30am	Morning praise	South Littleton	Sue Cole
	9:30am	Morning praise	Bretforton	Margaret Pye
	11:00am	Eucharist	Cleeve Prior	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Morning praise	Badsey	Margaret Pye
	4:30pm	Evensong	N&MLittleton	Philip Morton
Sunday 29th October	11:00am	Benefice Eucharist	Bretforton	Bishop Graham Usher

#### October 2017

# Flower Rota

Thank you ladies for your flowers in Church during September. On Saturday 7th October we will be decorating the church for harvest. Gifts of flowers, fruit or vegetables will be gratefully received. Any queries regarding church flowers please contact me:

#### Hazel Stewart - 01386 832007

- 1st Sunday Harvest Festival All the Guild
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Julie & Barbara
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Sheila & Annette
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Maureen & Sandra
- 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Yvonne, Mary & Jane

# The Parish Register

#### **Baptisms - Celebrating New Arrivals**

27<sup>th</sup> August 2017 - Arthur Benjamin Atkinson

#### Weddings - Witnessing A Union

26<sup>th</sup> August 2017 - Jason Richard Medcroft & Emily Jane Churchley

31st August 2017 - Daryl Jack Beattie & Hannah May Riach

#### Funerals - *Be Still & Remember*

- 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017 Christabel Jane Biddle (81)
- 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017 John Bolton (77)

### House Group Bible Study

The Sermon on the Mount

(Matthew 5 vrs 1-12) 12<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 pm

Led by Diana and Penny. Venue - 68 Seward Rd.

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Home Visits and Surgery

# NEWS FROM THE PEWS

# **Badsey Harvest Supper**

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm. The Remembrance Hall - Badsey

Tickets £8 (Children under 14 - £4) Includes: Supper BYO Drink & Glasses. Tickets from: Alex Christison 830367 Elizabeth Bolland 830638 supper@eastvaleavon.org.uk



Sing Along With Us Sunday 22<sup>ND</sup> October at 3.30.pm. Saint James Church - Badsey

Come and sing your favourite hymns. Learn a new one. Hymns to suit ALL ages.

Do come along and sing some rousing tunes and then enjoy a lovely homemade cake with a cup of tea. All are welcome, there is no fee just a request that you **SING**!!!



We are a children's group that have fun learning about the Bible through stories, craft and games.

We meet alternate Friday evenings between 6pm and 7pm at St James Church, Badsey

Book your child's free place by contacting Jigsaw: Tel: 831080 Email: jigsaw@ourbenefice.org.uk

New Members Always Welcome

Our Meeting dates in October Friday 6th October Friday 20th October

# The Reverend Thomas Henry Hunt,

Vicar of Badsey with Aldington, and Wickhamford, 1852 to 1887

Born in 1826 and educated at Eton and later Christchurch the Reverend Hunt arrived as the vicar of Badsey in 1852. Just 26, he was dismayed to find Badsey church dilapidated, there was no organ and the surrounding churchyard was witnessed as a place for grazing sheep.

Putting his energy into the challenge before him, Reverend Hunt formed a choir and until there was money available to purchase an organ a harmonium was provided. It was during those difficult early years that Reverent Hunt developed an interest in farming, acquiring a poorly drained and neglected area of Glebe land which he cleared and restored to prime condition. One of Reverend Hunt's sons tells how generous his father was at harvest time, allowing 'gleaners' – people who collect leftover crops after the land has been harvested, '*to pick up something worth their while*.'

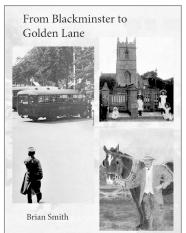
In 1866 the churchyard came under the auctioneer's hammer and was conveyed into the joint names of Reverend Hunt and Joseph Jones, church warden. Joseph Jones some years later was brought before Evesham Magistrates Court for uprooting parts of the yew hedging that formed the southern boundary of the churchyard. He was fined £1 and asked to pay damages and costs estimated at 11s 6d.

Reverend Hunt's ambition to refurbish Badsey church received a boost after receiving a considerable inheritance. Supported by Mr. Savory (Aldington Manor) as fund treasurer, raising fund for Badsey church began in earnest. In 1885 the church was closed and restoration work began. A churchyard wall was constructed that today marks the boundary that faces the village High Street.

In 1887, Reverend Hunt retired and left Badsey. He died in 1896. In memory of his devoted ministry, a stone cross was erected outside Badsey church porch and dedicated by the Archdeacon of Warwick in 1910.

Valerie Magan Badsey Society

# From Blackminster to Golden Lane



#### Author – Brian Smith Price - £5.00.

This book of poems by local author Brian Smith will be available in time for Christmas.

*Blackminster to Golden Lane'* is the last edition in a series of poetry books that reflects on the author's early village experiences. Told in verse, forgotten stories of life in Badsey

and Aldington are shared with the reader. Packed with emotion and storytelling, this collection of poems will be an ideal Christmas stocking filler for the avid reader or budding historian. To order your copy and have your name printed inside, call the author - Tel: 832623

# News From The Diocese of Worcester

**The Palestinian Ambassador** to the UK is coming to Worcester to talk about the current situation in the Middle East. This is a joint meeting with the Friends of the Holy Land at St Georges RC church on Friday 13 October: free refreshments from 6:30. Talk begins at 7pm.

# **Remembering The Fallen**

**Passchendaele** will be remembered at a one day event at St Helen's Church, Worcester on 4 November, commemorating the end of the 3rd Battle of Ypres. There will be a a short service at 10am and throughout the day there will be short talks, exhibits relating to the battle, and experts on hand to answer questions, discuss the involvement of ancestors and to comment on any memorabilia.

# 70th Wedding Anniversary

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on 20 November 2017. Churches are encouraged to ring their bells to mark this incredible event.

# OCTOBER CALENDAR

# Saturday 7th October

# **BADSEY FILM CLUB**

# A Street Cat Named Bob

Based on the international best selling book. The true feel good story of how James Bowen, a busker and recovering drug addict, had his life transformed when he met a stray ginger cat.

Film starts at 8.00pm in the backroom of the Wheatsheaf Inn. Get there early for a decent seat, bring your cushion and don't forget your 50p for the half-time ice-cream and raffle! Annual Sub £5.00

# Friday 13th October



The Sladden Family - Badsey

# An Evening With The Sladden Family of Seward House

### St James Church, Badsey -7.30pm

This period reading played by members of The Badsey Society brings to life the private letters written by members of Badsey's Sladden family during the last years of World War 1 (1917-1919).

Cyril Sladden is about to go into battle in Mesopotamia and Arthur Sladden is to be sent to a convalescent home in the South of France. The Sladden children return home to help with the war effort. Join us for this final act of the Sladden letter readings. Discover what's in store for the family as the Great War draws to an end.

Entrance: £2.50 members / £5.00 non-members Tea and coffee served in the interval.

# Saturday 14th October

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# Saturday 21st October

## **BADSEY FILM CLUB**

It will soon be Christmas!!, Take your mind off it and come and watch the movie.

# **Florence Foster Jenkins**

This dry poignantly funny film stars Meryl Streep as Florence Foster Jenkins, a New York heiress who became an opera singer known for her painful lack of singing skill. Hugh Grant plays her husband and manager, English Shakespearean actor, St. Clair Bayfield.

Film starts 8.00pm in the backroom of the Wheatsheaf Inn. Don't forget your 50p for the interlude ice-cream feast and raffle. Annual Sub £5.00

# Sunday 22nd October

# Badsey's Own 'Songs of Praise'



A celebration of hymns old and new at St. James Church 3.30pm.

Enjoy a great afternoon of song followed by tea and cakes. Everyone is welcome.

# Wednesday 25th October

# WICKHAMFORD GARDENING CLUB Wildlife In The Garden

Our next meeting commences at 7.30 pm at the Memorial Hall. Our speaker this evening is Mr DJ Cramp and his talk is entitled "Wildlife In The Garden". We look forward to seeing you all.

Sue Stayt

# **Tower News**

#### JOHN BOLTON (Steeple Keeper) JULY 15th 1940 -- AUG 28th 2017

Sadly John passed away very quietly on Bank Holiday Monday after a mammoth struggle with chest problems.

He was a lovely man that gained much enjoyment from helping others – especially St. James Church, Badsey where he took great pleasure from volunteering his services over the years looking after our wonderful peal of bells. He prided himself on keeping the ropes functioning with his very capable knowledge of how to splice a rope. Today all eight ropes carry at least one of John's splices.

The Four Shires Guild of Bell Ringers of which John was a Member rang in celebration of his life before the most beautiful Service taken by Philip our vicar.

The church being packed with his many friends and colleagues. Gordon, one of our ringers, tolled him to the gate before he went off for cremation.

If wished, donations in his memory can still be made to the church or Merstow Green Funeral Home.

# **BADSEY & ALDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**

Parish Clerk - Mrs. Andrea Evans

Ty Gwen, Church Street, Offenham WR11 8RW Tel: **01386 760332** Email; badseypc@yahoo.co.uk

#### KEY NEWS ITEMS

#### **Badsey Water Fountain.**

Essential work is to be carried out on the water fountain to restore it to its former glory. Photos kindly provided by Badsey Society from 1911 have allowed a local stonemason to carry out repairs and maintenance. The work will be carried out before the autumn.

#### Parish Councillor- Newsletter.

All residents of Badsey, Blackminster and Aldington should all have received the first newsletter produced and delivered by the parish council councillors in early September. It is hoped that we will be able to produce the newsletter three times per year to keep residents up to date with council news. If you didn't get a copy this time, please let Mrs. Andrea Evans, Parish Clerk (*contact details above*) know so that the parish council can ensure that you do receive the newsletter next time.

#### Welcome Pack.

Don't forget that the 'Welcome Pack' produced by Badsey Parish Council is not just for new residents of Badsey & Aldington. It provides local contact numbers and useful information to anyone in Badsey & Aldington. Copies can be obtained from the parish clerk or Becky Stanley at Badsey Spar & Post Office.

#### NEXT Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm Remembrance Hall,

Horsebridge Avenue, Badsey. A public forum of 10 minutes is available at the start of each parish council meeting if you have any matters you would like to raise or discuss.

Hilary Bolton

#### In Memory of John Bolton

You will go out in joy, and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills will burst into song before you and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

Isaiah 55: ver.12



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