

# **Community News**

Badsey & Aldington

Part of the Benefice of East Vale and Avon



116<sup>th</sup> Badsey Flower Show

Roll up, Roll up, come and join us all at the Badsey Flower Show Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July. Don't forget to nurture your plants, vegetables, fruit and flowers ready for the day. There'll be lots to see and look at. Have you entered your favourite competition category? Don't forget, Bubble Inc will be there making all sorts of shapes and sizes of bubbles. Children love bubbles, don't they!









Donations Received.....

Thank you for your kind donations. £91.30 was handed over to Christian Aid. There are 40 million displaced people in the world. People who have had to flee their homes but must remain in their countries. Unlike refugees, they have no protection under international law and their stories are rarely heard about in the media. But Christian Aid hasn't forgotten them.

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Thank you for your continued support of Christian Aid work with and for the poorest communities on earth. It does make a difference.

Parish Council News

#### Badsey Flower Show.

Badsey Parish Council will have a stand at this year's Flower Show where you can collect a Smartwater pack if you still haven't signed up for one. Councillors will be on hand to answer any questions about the PC that you may have.

The parish council will be sponsoring the Scarecrow Competition and have a new shield to give out to the winners....good luck! Petangue.

The new petanque square is now finished and ready for use....keen residents have been taking advantage of the facility and have been using it already.

#### New Defibrillators.

New devices are being fitted in the red telephone box, Aldington, at Badsey Remembrance Hall and at Badsry Recreation Club near to the new play area. There are also devices at The Round of Gras and outside Badsey Spar.

#### Flower Planters.

Badsey PC is looking at enhancing the flower planters at the entrances of the villages. If you have seen any great designs around and about, please let us know.

#### PC newsletter.

The summer newsletter will be delivered over the next few weeks to all households in Badsey, Aldington and Blackminster, look out for more information about the parish council in the newsletter.

Dates for forthcoming meetings are as follows:

Wednesday 18th July 2018

Wednesday 19th September 2018

Wednesday 17th October 2018

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. Clerk's contact details: Andrea Evans (Mrs), Ty Gwyn, Church Street. Offenham WR11 8RW.

Tel: (01386) 760332 E-mail: badseypc@yahoo.co.uk

#### Over 60s Jottings

Mary opened our June meeting on Tuesday 5th, which was attended by 30 members. Mary then introduced Sarah from the charity "Gaga" who's aim is to bring education to children in South Africa, approximately 80% of the children live in poverty and have little or no schooling. As with most small charities they receive no funding and rely totally on gifts and donations. Against all odds they have had some success with a few of their students gaining academic degrees.

Mary then requested names for our forthcoming outings to the Avoncroft museum and to the lunch at the 'open door', She then handed out July birthday cards before we had our afternoon refreshments and raffle. The next meeting is on Tuesday July 3rd. The meeting was then closed. Mike Neal

#### News from Freedom Group

An "Open the Book" service was held in church for Freedom Group. An easy-to-follow story of David and Goliath was acted out. The Bishops chair took pride of place as a prop. Singing at the end encouraged everyone to join in.

Afterwards, everyone enjoyed looking at all the exhibits on display, celebrating the event of Ascension Day to Pentecost. Some used their time thoughtfully, to write a prayer on a prayer ticket and attach it to the Prayer Tree.

Then, bunting in celebration of the Royal couple's wedding was placed nicely inside and outside the church. Drinks and cakes brought the morning service to an end.

Thanks go to everyone who helped make the morning at church for the Freedom Group, a little different and a nice experience.

At the end of May, many members of Freedom Group began to clean inside church. There were loads of "holy spiders". Dust and soot that had settled over the years, were brushed and swept and









#### A MESSAGE TO YOU ALL FROM NIKKI GROARKE, ARCHDEACON OF DUDLEY

#### LONELINESS.....

Frequent reports of how lonely we are, across all ages and nations, have dominated the news for months. We live in lonely times. Increasing numbers of elderly people are living alone for longer. Many young people describe acute senses of loneliness. People are lonely in both in our cities and in rural areas, so much so that loneliness is now considered a public-health issue, with some commentators declaring that "the world is suffering from an epidemic of loneliness."

Recent studies assert that loneliness is hazardous to our health, disrupting sleep, increasing stress and inflammation, and weakening immune systems. It's also associated with cognitive decline, heart disease, and greater frailty later on in life. With a significant effect on mortality rates, loneliness is now considered a public health threat potentially more harmful than obesity and as bad as smoking. It's especially ironic that as we are globally connected to the worldwide village through social media, we are somehow more socially isolated than ever.

As church communities, we can and really should be part of the solution, reaching out to those who are alone and inviting them into the family of God. During the recent archdeacons visitations, I heard heart-warming stories of churches signing up as 'places of welcome', offering cake, coffee and chatter sessions, or knit and natter gatherings. Community is being built as people experience the loving welcome of church members not just on Sundays, but as our church buildings are used as places of connection and outreach during the week too.

Nikki Groarke Archdeacon of Dudley

## Celebration of ST JAMES' DAY on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm Come and join us in Badsey Church With refreshments afterwards.....



Healing can often be a hard thing to pray for. We find it easier to accept that God can heal in an emotional or spiritual sense, yet find it hard to believe that he can change the physical world.

God works through the natural - through medicine, skilled doctors and determined researchers.

Worship creates a sense of peace in us as we recognise that all the love and beauty in the world has its source in God.

Take a moment in your life to breathe and be still, find your own light and emerge transformed, renewed and full of hope.

Imagine an awakening ... peace, inspiration...imagine walking, breathing, new horizons and knowledge, imagine a place of sanctuary of learning, community, enlightenment ...

There are times when we need help and don't know quite who to turn to. Turning to God is always a good option. At Badsey church we have a team of people who are willing to pray for you whatever area of your life is in need of support.

Just send an email to prayer@eastvaleavon.org.uk giving as much or as little information as you wish and our team will pray for you. The prayer team will treat your prayer request with respect and discretion. Only the agreed prayer team will have access to your email.

Or,

You might want to leave a prayer request for us on one of the string tickets just on the right as you enter the Church.

The prayer requests that some of you have filled in are being included every day and we continue to do so for about a month unless you request otherwise.

Date	Time	Service	Place	Preside
Sunday 1st July	11:00am	Benefice Eucharist Morris Dancing	Cleeve Prior	Philip Morton
	11:00am	service	Bretforton	Margaret Pye
	6:30pm	Evensong	Badsey	Diana Condliffe
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Wednesday 4th July	/ednesday 4th July 10:00am Euchar		Badsey	Philip Morton
Saturday 7th July 8:30am		Morning prayer	Offenham	Lay led
Sunday 8th July	9:30am	Eucharist	Offenham	Philip Morton/Timothy Hupfield
- ·	9:30am	Morning Praise	South Littleton	Margaret Pye
	11:00am	Eucharist	Cleeve Prior	Philip Morton/Timothy Hupfield
	11:00am	Family service	Badsey	Margaret Pye
	4:30pm	Evening worship	N&M Littleton	Joyce Bache
	6:30pm	Evensong	Bretforton	Philip Morton/Timothy Hupfield
Saturday 14th July	8:30am	Morning prayer	Badsey	Lay led
Sunday 15th July	9:30am	South Littleton	Eucharist	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Café Church	Offenham	Joyce Bache/Timothy Hupfield
	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
Saturday 21st July	8:30am	Morning prayer	Offenham	Lay led
Sunday 22nd July	9:30am	Eucharist	Offenham	Philip Morton
St. Mary Magdelene	9:30am	Morning praise	South Littleton	Lay led
	9:30am	Morning praise	Bretforton	Alan Bache
	11:00am	Eucharist	Cleeve Prior	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Morning praise	Badsey	Sue Cole
	4:30pm	Evensong	N&M Littleton	Philip Morton
Wednesday 25th July	7.00pm	Patronal Festival	Badsey	
St. James the Apostle				
Saturday 28th July	8:30am	Morning prayer	Badsey	Lay led
Sunday 29th July 11:00am		Benefice Eucharist	Offenham	Philip Morton/Timothy Hupfield

## July 2018

#### Serious assault in Pebworth in 1831 – local men involved.

One night in January 1831, four young men – William Allard and William Holland of Badsey and brothers John and Thomas Bennett of Wickhamford – went to Pebworth to rob Allard's grandfather of £5. They took sticks with them and John Bennett assaulted the old man, William Allard senior, injuring him severely. The gang were disturbed and fled but were all later caught and, in April, three of them stood trial at Gloucester for attempted murder. Holland was not tried as he turned King's Evidence. All three were condemned to death but an appeal by thirteen villagers of Wickhamford and Badsey, and William Allard senior, resulted in his grandson and Thomas Bennett having their sentences commuted to transportation to Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) for life. The appeal for the life of John Bennett was refused and he was hanged, in public, at Gloucester Gaol that April.

The two transported men lived out their lives in Tasmania, both eventually being given parole, despite being far from model prisoners. In 1842, Allard was sentenced to hard labour for being found in an adulterous relationship but was finally released in 1847. He died, as a pauper, in 1885, aged 75. With 'Bennett' being a more common name, it is difficult to trace him in the Tasmanian records. It is believed that Thomas Bennett became a farmer after his release and that he died in a fire in 1860, aged 48. This age would fit with the date of his baptismal record in Wickhamford.

The Bennett brother's parents, Thomas and Fanny, lived in a cottage in Wickhamford that was demolished in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. They died in 1849 and 1858 respectively and are buried in unmarked graves in the village churchyard. Allard's parents, William and Mary, continued to live in Badsey and were in Brewers Lane in the 1841 and 1851 censuses. They are buried in unmarked graves in the churchyard, he dying in 1858 and she in 1862. William Holland left the area and was possibly living in Stratford in 1861. Tom Locke

#### **Tower News**

Many thanks Stef for arranging the lovely Quarter Peal of Grandsire Doubles in celebration of my Birthday rung by friends from the Four Shires Guild.

The Royal Wedding for Harry & Megan was marked by ringing from 3.00pm followed by Tea and cake. Thank you to all that worked so hard to make a lovely afternoon to Remember.

June 23rd we will be hosting a visiting team from Northfield at 1.45pm.

June 30th there will be ringing for a wedding at 1.00pm Holiday time is well and truly upon us with depleted numbers to form a team so it means we have to borrow. It would be lovely to increase our numbers. Perhaps you might consider coming forward to learn -We are here willing and able to help. Monday night is practice time.

We are a mixed age group from beginner through to more advanced method ringing. Everyone gets a fair chance. Learning to handle the rope is the first step. Hilary Bolton Tower Captain Our July meeting is our second garden visit of the summer and is scheduled for Wednesday 25th July 2018.

This month we are going to Whitcombe House, Overbury, Gloucestershire.

We meet at 7.00 pm after making our own way there, but please contact any committee members if transport is required.

The charge for this visit is  $\pounds$ 7.00 to include refreshments. We will also be giving out show schedules for the Summer Show in August.

We look forward to seeing you all and guests, and keeping fingers crossed for a fine warm evening. Sue Stayt

#### NOTES FROM A CHURCH ORGANIST

Unusual things can happen to the village organist. Weddings can be quite nerve racking occasions. Once I was listening intensely for the bride to arrive, announced by the church door closing. This was a particularly noisy wedding with boisterous children and adults exercising their vocal chords, when suddenly I saw a vision in white advancing up the aisle at a rate of knots. She obviously had a skateboard concealed beneath her dress. Bringing up the rear came Daddy in a vain attempt to catch up his galloping girl.

When playing in an unfamiliar church the Wardens set up 'Roland the Keyboard' to perform near the large congregation. The opening hymn, 'Praise my soul the King of Heaven' was announced, and I struck up playing with gusto, when suddenly, with a resounding crash, the hymn book fell to the floor. It was hastily retrieved by the vicar and the organ played on. After the service an elder produced a catapult like arrangement to secure the open hymn book. "No more problems now you have the 'sticks' (elastic bands)," he assured me, grinning broadly. I felt confident the following Sunday, after all what could fail now I had the 'sticks'. However, as the first verse finished there was a loud 'ping' and the whole contraption disintegrated. Even basic technology can fail when elastic bands perish.

One week a strong smell of burning filled the church. It was from an angle light next to me. I unplugged it, and all was well. A retired doctor craned his neck up to the gallery to investigate. After the service ended he greeted me saying, "Eh lass, I thought you were making us a fry up with plenty of black pudding!" Linda Core

#### Hi Luvvies.

#### FILM CLUB

I have been practising my Flapjacks and I'm ready for the Flower Show!!

Here are the July Films:

7th July Finding your feet

21st July Lion

Films start at 8pm in the backroom of the Wheatsheaf!! Get there early for a decent seat! Clivey Xxx



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

We meet alternate Friday evenings between 6pm and 7pm in St. James church, Badsey.

If you would like to join our group, book your free place by contacting:

jigsaw@eastvaleavon.org.uk

or

telephone 831080



Meeting Dates for July:

Friday 13th

Friday 27th



#### Parish Register

#### Weddings:

9th June: Joseph Bradshaw and Lucy Maria Gurney

#### **Baptisms:**

20<sup>th</sup> May: Francesca Mary and

10<sup>th</sup> June: Theo Alexander Cook

#### Funerals:

15<sup>th</sup> May: Joan Kate Hewlett

11<sup>th</sup> June: Peter Graham Dawson



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#### Badsey Carnival 2018

#### Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August

Applications are open for the 2018 Carnival King and Queen competition.

Applications can be made on the carnival leaflets or via email to the carnival committee - <u>badsey.carnival@gmail.com</u>

Leaflets to be returned to the post office in the Spar Shop Badsey.. Email applications please provide - Name of Entrant, Age, Address, School Attended, Contact Phone Number.

Judging will take place at Badsey Flower Show on Saturday 28th July 2018.

All entrants to be aged between 5 and 16 on Saturday 28th July 2018.

Follow us on Facebook for up to date news and more information facebook.com/badseycarnival

#### Fresh Ideas

I was asked the other day if I knew of a cheaper alternative to the £500 Dyson Pure Cool Room Purifier. I replied, "Yes! Open a window." WD

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My Surgery is held on alternate Tuesday evenings from 6.00 pm - 8.00 pm at The Vicarage, High Street, 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**

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