



Community News

Badsey & Aldington

Part of the Benefice of East Vale and Avon

Tommy, Sally, Buddy, Ushka, Gilbert

Guide Dogs

A big thank you to Ralph and Elizabeth from Guide Dogs Tommy, Sally, Buddy, Ushka and Gilbert.....

Santa Specials Fundraising 2018

In December 2018 Ralph and Elizabeth again opened their home inviting people to watch 'Santa Ride' in the model railway built in their garden.

The fundraising event was in aid of Badsey Church and Guide Dogs.

On behalf of Guide Dogs we would like to thank Ralph and Elizabeth and everyone who kindly donated to these two worthy causes.

**Best wishes for 2019
Tommy, Sally, Buddy, Ushka, Gilbert**

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

As last year came to an end, many of us planned ahead and wrote down our goals for the future, in other words, our New Year's resolutions. So many of us take part in this self-improvement ritual, yet few people actually follow through on them. It's a time of year when we stimulate our brains, although it's a real challenge to keep the brain stimulated and goal-focused in the long run.

If we have a habit of browsing social media, or indulging in a particular activity, we are more likely to keep doing these things which usually don't bring us close to our New Year's goals. So, how do we do it? Conventional wisdom says that resolutions need to be

attainable, but also challenging. This is true but there is a lot more to it. We tend to rely mostly on our willpower and grit and while those are important traits, we need more to actually achieve our goals. The thing is, we are really good at substituting an easier task for the task we really should be doing. We avoid what we fear by substituting with something easier. So, it's February already, make your New Year's resolutions easy as possible to do, day in – day out. Small changes that make things easier are often incredibly effective. Make just one New Year's resolution, surely that's easy...

The Benefice of The East Vale and Avon Villages

February 2019

| Date | Time | Service | Place | Preside |
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| Saturday 2nd February | 8:30am | Morning prayer | Offenham | Lay led |
| Sunday 3rd February <i>Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)</i> | 11:00am | Benefice Eucharist | Bretforton | Len Burn |
| Wednesday 6th February | 10:00am | Communion by Extension | Badsey | Sue Cole |
| Saturday 9th February | 8:30am | Morning prayer | Badsey | Lay led |
| Sunday 10th February <i>Fourth Sunday before Lent</i> | 9:30am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am 4:30pm 6:30pm | Eucharist Morning Praise Eucharist Family service Evensong Evensong | Offenham South Littleton Cleeve Prior Badsey N&M Littleton Bretforton | Philip Morton Timothy Hupfield Philip Morton Timothy Hupfield Joyce Bache Margaret Pye |
| Wednesday 13th February | 10:00am | Communion by Extension | South Littleton | Margaret Pye |
| Saturday 16th February | 8:30am | Morning prayer | Offenham | Lay led |
| Sunday 17th February <i>Third Sunday before Lent</i> | 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am 11:00am 4:30pm 6:30pm 6:30pm | Eucharist Café Church Family Eucharist Eucharist Eucharist Eucharist Evensong | South Littleton Offenham Badsey Cleeve Prior N&M Littleton Bretforton Badsey | Philip Morton Joyce Bache Philip Morton Clive Leech Philip Morton Philip Morton Timothy Hupfield |
| Wednesday 20th February | 10:00am | Eucharist | Bretforton | Philip Morton |
| Saturday 23rd February | 8:30am | Morning prayer | Badsey | Lay led |
| Sunday 24th February <i>Second Sunday before Lent</i> | 9:30am 9:30am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am 4:30pm | Eucharist Morning praise Family service Eucharist Morning praise Evensong | Offenham South Littleton Bretforton Cleeve Prior Badsey N&M Littleton | Philip Morton Alan Bache Margaret Pye Philip Morton Sue Cole Philip Morton |
| Wednesday 27th February | 10:00am | Eucharist | Cleeve Prior | Philip Morton |

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



A Message to you all from Reverend Philip Morton

Last month I went to hear a presentation done by the Archdeacon of Worcester, Robert Jones. His talk was all about the beginning of what the Church calls Ordinary Time. Each year, the Church has two seasons of Ordinary Time; one between Epiphany and Lent, and the second between Pentecost and All Saints' Day. The first period of Ordinary Time always coincides with the month of February, so just as the world (in the Northern Hemisphere) starts to head towards the first signs of Spring, so the Church starts to look towards this new season.

Inside our churches, the altar coverings are changed from white to green, which represents the natural world. The colour green is also meant to represent the period of time that Jesus was here on earth.

During his talk, the Archdeacon made the case that even though this new season is called Ordinary, it is actually quite a special time, simply because the Church thinks about Jesus' earthly ministry - His teachings and stories, the wondrous signs that He performed in healing people, and the miracles that He did showing people that He is truly the Son of God. So even though the season is called Ordinary Time, there is nothing ordinary about it at all – it truly is a season to rejoice in all the things that Jesus has done for the world.



PARISH OF
St James Badsey with Aldington

PREPARATION OF NEW ELECTORAL ROLL

*Note – The new roll must be completed not less than 15 days or more than 28 days before the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Notice is hereby given

that under the Church Representation Rules a new Church Electoral Roll is being prepared. All persons who wish to have their names entered on the new Roll, whether their names are entered on the present Roll or not, are requested to apply for enrolment not later than Monday 25th February 2019

The new Roll will come into operation on

Friday 1st March 2019 _____

The new Roll shall be published for not less than 14 days.

Under the Church Representation Rules any lay persons are entitled to have their names entered on the roll if they—

- (i) are baptised and aged 16 or over;
- (ii) have signed a form of application for enrolment;
and either
- (iii) are members of the Church of England or of any Church in communion with the Church of England being resident in the parish or (not being resident in the parish) having habitually attended public worship in the parish during the six months prior to the application for enrolment;
or:
- (iv) are members in good standing of a Church (not in communion with the Church of England) which subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity declaring themselves also to be members of the Church of England and having habitually attended public worship in the parish during the period of six months prior to enrolment.

Forms of application for enrolment can be obtained from the undersigned. In order to be entitled to attend the annual parochial church meeting and to take part in its proceedings, forms of application for enrolment must be returned by the earlier of the dates shown above.

Any error discovered in the roll should at once be reported to the undersigned.

Dated this _____ Friday 1st _____ day of _____ February _____ 2019 _____

Signed Mr V C E Smith Address The Firs, 27 High St., Badsey, WR11 7EJ

Funerals:

18th December Pat Goldstraw aged 86 years

15th December Rachel Bernadette Johnston aged 49 years

15th December Emma Laight aged 39 years



TOWER NEWS

THANK YOU to the ringers who met at MIDDAY to WELCOME another NEW YEAR. This is a very joyful occasion which gives us the spirit to go forward, thinking about recruitment and new methods plus welcoming NEW people to join with us. Except for Sunday Service and Monday Night practice, our calendar is looking a bit empty.

Have you any NEW YEAR plans outstanding? We would welcome anyone to come and see what we do, and how it is done. We have room for beginners and improvers as well as the experienced. Being a Team effort we learn from each other as we go along. Why not give it a try!!
Hilary Bolton

Letters to the Editor.....

Dear Editor..

Dog Poo, Aldington

Whilst I agree with the article regarding subject matter, my first impression on reading it inferred it was the dogs of the village residents who were causing the problem. Having two dogs myself and knowing MOST of the other owners I can assure you this is not the case. The problem as I see it is caused by "visitors" to the village from the surrounding areas. Numerous cars park outside my property and take their dogs "walkies" down Main Street into the surrounding fields, one of which due to subject matter has now been shut off to ALL dog walkers residents included. Another scenario of course is after dark dog walkers which of course is difficult to monitor but I, and I am sure along with other residents, feel something has to be done as again the problem is getting worse particularly on the footpaths. To conclude I also think that any fines should be much much higher than £100... and naming & shaming would not go a miss also.....

Yours concernedly..... Michael Byrne.

Editor's Reply

Dear Reader,
Thank you for your comments.

To all our Readers:

From now on, we will no longer print articles and letters regarding pets fouling in public areas.

SO, HOW ORGANISED AND TIDY ARE YOU ?

Here's a few tips.....

1. If you get it out Put it back
2. If you open it Shut it
3. If you try it on..... Hang it up
4. If you get it dirty Wash it
5. If you don't use it Get rid of it
6. If it doesn't fit Donate it
7. If it's expired Dump it
8. If it's junk throw it out
9. If it's a bill Pay it
10. If you schedule it .. Write it down

Wickhamford Gardening Club

Our February meeting welcomes Nigel Umpelby to give a presentation entitled "A Plant Lovers Guide to New Zealand". We meet as usual in the Memorial Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 27th February 2019. The competition is Flower of the Month. We look forward to seeing you all.

Sue Stayt



3rd March

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Saturday 2nd February KING OF THIEVES

Saturday 16th February GROUNDHOG DAY

Saturday 2nd March FIRST MAN

Films start at 8pm in the back room of the Wheatsheaf
Ice Creams are available during the mid film Interval
Get there early for a decent seat.
Clivey x



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FRIDAY 1st MARCH
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH
SOUTH LITTLETON

2.30 PM

"Come, Everything is Ready"

By Women of Slovenia

Join us before, for a Fellowship lunch

12.30 at the Scout Hut,

South Littleton £5.00

Please Book

Penny Christison 830367

Margaret Fuller 831373

IN THE BOX SEAT

My trusty bike was suffering from a puncture and I was striding home via the Back Lane when a car pulled up and the driver offered me a lift to Badsey. He was one of those people we all know, recognised by sight, but nameless.

During the drive he entertained me with most of his life history. However, I was more preoccupied with the strange movement of a box on the floor beneath my feet. Before I had time to ask him about it we pulled up outside the Wheatsheaf. He then launched into his World War Two memoirs, of which there were many, and failed to notice my anxiety as the vibrations from the box were intensifying.

I thanked him profusely for the lift and opened the door to get out when he casually remarked, "Do you like ferrets, Miss? Mine are in that box where you are sitting. It's a good thing they didn't get out, the lid is very loose."

Linda Core

Parish Council News.

Badsey Christmas Celebrations

Badsey Parish Council would like to thank everyone who contributed to making the Christmas Celebrations on Friday 14th December 2018 such a huge success.

The school from Badsey 1st School accompanied Freedom Day Centre started the show with first class singing which was followed by the ladies from Vale Connection; we couldn't have done this without you, so a huge thanks.

There were many volunteers on the day from parish councilors, to villagers who offered help with lorries, assembling equipment, handing out mince pies and manning the road closures, so thank you to you all too, you know who you are!

There was success too in our first ever 'Badsey Illuminations' with the winner taking away a Christmas hamper of goodies.

We very much look forward to another successful event in 2019.

Badsey & Aldington Parish Council wishes everyone a Happy 2019.

Parish Council Events for 2019

- Spring Barn Dance taking place on Saturday 30th March 2019 at Badsey Recreation Club, £5 per ticket, bar available, bring your own food, tickets available from Alan Tutton, Andy Wilson or parish clerk.
- Badsey Soapbox will take place again on Sunday 25th August 2019
- Back by request from residents- Easter Treasure Hunt-More details to follow

Parish Council Meeting- Dates 2019

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

- Wednesday 20th February 2019
- Wednesday 20th March 2019
- Wednesday 17th April 2019

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

Clerk's contact details:

Andrea Evans (Mrs), Ty Gwyn, Church Street,
Offenham, WR11 8RW

St James Flower Guild

February Rota:

1st Sunday Maureen and Sandra

2nd Sunday Yvonne and Jane

3rd Sunday Julie and Barbara

4th Sunday Mary and Alan

Ladies, thank you for flowers during January.

Any queries regarding church flowers please contact me.

Hazel Stewart 832007

The highlight of the Christmas celebrations was the carol service held in St James' church. Family and friends were invited to join the KS2 children in the celebration and enjoyed listening to songs, stories, poems and musical performances. It was a wonderful start to the festivities. Many thanks to Rev. Philip Morton for hosting us.



BADSEY FIRST SCHOOL

Badsey First School is delighted to make its first contribution to the Badsey and Aldington Community News. So much has been happening since we came back for a new school year back in September 2018. To begin with Badsey School is now part of the Gloucestershire Learning Alliance (GLA) – a small Multi-Academy Trust. The CEO of the Alliance is Mr Steve Savory, the executive Head Teacher is Mrs Claire Savory, who are both National Leaders in Education, and the Head of School is Mr Jon Moss. The staff at the school have been visiting the other schools in the Alliance to gain a deeper understanding of the expectations of the Alliance.

Life in school continues to be very busy and the end of last term was no exception. The school choir had a number of bookings to attend and were delighted to join forces with Freedom to perform at the village Christmas celebrations outside the Wheatsheaf. They also sang at the Cricket Club and at Pub Inn A Club.

The children went on a number of visits – Years 4 and 5 visiting Croome Park getting inspiration for their portals writing! Years 2, 3 and 4 went to the Sea Life Centre in Birmingham again to support their English Learning Journey. Key stage 2 visited the Everyman Theatre in Cheltenham to see Aladdin ("Oh no they didn't!") and the younger members of the school, Key Stage 1, went to the Everyman to see the Velvetine Rabbit. A very special visitor popped into the Candlelight Story session for the Reception children – I wonder who that could have been?

14th February St Valentine's Day

If you were my rose, then I'd be your sun,
painting you rainbows when the rains come.
I'd change my orbit to banish the night,
as to keep you in my nurturing light.

If you were my world, then I'd be your moon,
your silent protector, a night-light in the gloom.
Our fates intertwined, two bodies in motion
through time and space, our dance of devotion.

If you were my island, then I'd be your sea,
caressing your shores, soft and gentle I'd be.
My tidal embrace would leave gifts on your sands,
but by current and storm, I'd ward your gentle lands.

If you were love's promise, then I would be time,
your constant companion till stars align.
And though we are mere mortals, true love is divine,
and my devotion eternal, to my one valentine.

Footnote:

A Stitch In Time

Good news about the man who fell into the upholstery machine. He's now fully recovered.

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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: eastvaleavon2018@gmail.com

USEFUL NUMBERS

| | | |
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| Badsey Remembrance Hall | Sue Brooks | 641234 |
| Badsey Community & Sports Club (call to enquire about hiring the venue for a private event) | Sue Evans | 830867 |
| Badsey Church - St. James | Wendy Stafford | 424728 |

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| Bell Ringers | Hilary Bolton | 830246 |
| Badsey Church Flower Guild | Hazel Stewart | 832007 |

HISTORY SOCIETY

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| The Badsey Society | Shirley Tutton | 831539 |
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info@badsey.net

ORGANISATIONS, AND INSTITUTES

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| Women's Institute | Jane Neill | 830301 |
| Mothers' Union | Joyce Bache | 839464 |

YOUTH ORGANISATIONS

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| 1 st Badsey Scout Group | Nichol Brown | 882350 |
| 1 st Badsey Guides | Mandy Young | 423215 |

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| Cafe Freedom | Tracy Hemming | 830200 |
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| Messy Church | Penny Christison | 830367 |
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COMMUNITY GROUPS

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| Over 60's Friendship Club | Mike Neal | 832306 |
| Coronation Street | Jean Dyke | 830714 |
| Disabled Club | | |

ENTERTAINMENT

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| Badsey Film Club | Clive Richards | 832685 |
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The Vicar's Day Off is Friday

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Email: lizral.bolland@btinternet.com

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| Mr. Chris Smith | 830217 |
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| Mrs. Margaret Pye | 833537 |
| Mr. Alan & Mrs. Joyce Bache | 839464 |

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| Curate: Reverend Timothy Hupfield | 01386 769432 |
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Email: timothyhupfield@cantab.net

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| Benefice Safeguarding Officer: Lisa Farmer | 40401 |
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| Safeguarding Advocate: Elizabeth Spencer | 01789 720078 |
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SPORT TEAMS AND CLUBS

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| Air Rifle Club | Ashley Green | 832296 |
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| Archery Club | Ian Trout | 831509 |
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| Badsey Cricket Club | David Powell | 833122 |
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| Badsey United FC | Martin Schembri | 07804 921353 |
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| Badsey TaeKwonDo | Marie Hall | 0748 478 5882 |
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| Model Engineering Club | Roger Cull | 831933 |
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| Round of Gras Cricket Club | Andrew Ogg | 07792 162577 |
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| Evesham&Badsey Hockey Club | Andy Osborne | 07970 681505 |
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