

# Community News

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Orange Tip Butterfly

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Badsey exports stained glass window to the Ukraine!



Last July, Badsey resident, Pat Waters was asked by her nephew who lives in Cherkassy in central Ukraine, if she would make a stained glass window for a church building that had just been obtained by a Mission that he runs. She agreed and waited for a design to be prepared and sent to her. The design was entrusted to Olivia (Liv) Hatcher of the USA. The window is 70 cms high and 120 cms wide; it is formed of four panels so that it could be transported from Badsey to the Ukraine as hand luggage on British Airways.

Key elements of the design include the earth, sun, and sky. This is the largest and most technically demanding work Pat has undertaken. The panels contain about 80 individually crafted glass pieces. The foreground is a series of rolling hills or fields which stretch outward. The different shades of green, which are crafted in varying opacities of glass, are meant to evoke light, shadows, and a tranquil vibration. The central element of the design is the dove floating on the sunburst which is a classical element in Christian spiritual life to represent the Holy Spirit. It has been taken out of what is generally a quite traditional depiction and slightly abstracted. The dove symbolizes peace and constant hope in a quiet way that should inspire reflection. The sunburst placed on a vivid blue sky is also a nod to the yellow and blue of the Ukrainian flag.

The four panels have safely arrived in Cherkassy, and have been united for the first time before being fitted to the window in time for Easter. The window will excite much interest in the Ukraine as stained glass is virtually unknown there. Pat's nephew runs an organisation called "Kreativity" and you can read all about them on [www.kreativity.org](http://www.kreativity.org). (a quote from their website: **"We use business as a tool to create self-sustaining communities. But the world needs so much more than just economic projects, so we are involved in social projects that touch the lives of the poorest around us. And ministry projects, because the key to living on this crazy earth is our Faith in Jesus, and sharing that with everyone around us."**).

## The Benefice of The East Vale and Avon Villages

June 2019

Date	Time	Service	Place	Preside
Saturday 1st June	8:30am	Morning prayer	Offenham	Lay led
Sunday 2nd June <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>	11:00am 7:00pm	Benefice Eucharist Asparagus service	N&MLittleton Bretforton	Roy Lodge Margaret Pye
Wednesday 5th June <i>St. Boniface</i>	10:00am	Communion by Extension	Badsey	Sue Cole
Saturday 8th June	8:30am	Morning prayer	Badsey	Lay led
Sunday 9th June <i>Pentecost</i>	9:30am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am 4:30pm 6:30pm 6:30pm	Eucharist Morning Praise Eucharist Family service Evensong Evensong Evensong	Offenham South Littleton Cleeve Prior Badsey N&MLittleton Bretforton Badsey	Philip Morton Timothy Hupfield Philip Morton Sue Cole Philip Morton Timothy Hupfield Alan Bache
Wednesday 12th June	10:00am	Eucharist	South Littleton	Philip Morton
Saturday 15th June	8:30am	Morning prayer	Offenham	Lay led
Sunday 16th June <i>Trinity Sunday</i>	9:30am 11:00am 11:00am 11:00am 4:30pm 6:30pm	Eucharist Café Church Family Eucharist Eucharist Eucharist Eucharist	South Littleton Offenham Badsey Cleeve Prior N&MLittleton Bretforton	Philip Morton Joyce Bache Philip Morton Clive Leech Philip Morton Philip Morton
Wednesday 19th June	10:00am	Communion by Extension	Bretforton	Margaret Pye
Saturday 22nd June <i>St. Alban</i>	8:30am	Morning prayer	Badsey	Lay led

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



## A Message to you all from Reverend Timothy Hupfield

It only seems a few weeks since I moved into the area, but the one year mark is fast approaching.

For me, this has the added significance and excitement of meaning that I'll be ordained again, in Worcester Cathedral - this time, as a priest. It's a moment that I have been looking towards for fifteen years, ever since I realised that God was calling me to be a priest.

Part of why this ordination is so exciting is that it is the culmination a long journey, of listening to what God is calling me to be. God's calling won't stop there, but whatever the next step will be, it will be as a priest. It's been a long journey - perhaps that is part of the reason why I have on my ember cards (cards asking people to pray for me as I approach my ordination) the bible quote πιστος ὁ καλων - 'the one who calls is faithful'. God calls every one of us, continually and faithfully, to be all that we can be.

The reason why I will be ordained again is that the church has three 'orders' of ordained ministry - deacons, priests and

bishops. Currently, I am a deacon. Each order has a different focus: The ministry of a deacon is one of serving; Priestly ministry centres around the Sacraments (priests can, for example, lead services of Holy Communion), and also pronouncing both God's forgiveness and God's blessing; Bishops have a ministry of oversight.

One of the crucial things about these orders of ministry is that they are permanent - when someone is ordained priest, they do not change from being a deacon to being a priest. Every priest is \*also\* a deacon. A bishop is also both a priest and a deacon. And so, after my ordination I look forward to serving in these villages, as a priest, for the coming years of my time as curate here.

The ordination will be in the cathedral on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 2 pm - if anyone is free and would like to attend, it would be wonderful to see you. (No tickets are needed, and the cathedral assures me there'll be space for as many people as necessary).

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### Baptisms:

Nancy May Beattie

Alfie William Nicholas Townsend

Bertie Robert Hill

Summer May Caroline Metrovich

### Funerals:

Amy Joan Hartwell

Albert Ronald (Ron) Keyte

## Thy Kingdom Come Events

30<sup>th</sup> May to 9<sup>th</sup> June 2019

**Badsey Church open daylight hours for free  
Activities**

*Please see Church notice boards for more  
information*

## Parish Council News



### STONEHENGE

#### Summer Solstice

The building of Stonehenge in Wiltshire remains a mystery to everyone. We are left to wonder who assembled the huge stones, and why they were put there. We all assume they were assembled in several stages and maybe the area is where pre-historic people buried their dead, some 5,000 years ago.

One theory about stone circles has us believe they were built in the late Neolithic era, around 2,500 years BC. The overwhelming theory about the Wiltshire stones is, they were assembled as some kind of worshipping monument.

A "henge" is a prehistoric monument consisting of a circle of stone or wooden uprights.

The original purpose and function of henge monuments isn't fully understood and around these stones in Wiltshire are also arrangements of banks and ditches. So, as the henge in Wiltshire was built of stone, the name "Stonehenge" has been adopted.

Its massive scale suggests that Stonehenge was vitally important to the ancient peoples who built it, but the monument's purpose has been the subject of widespread speculation for centuries.

Recent archaeological digs revealed human bones, suggesting may be a kind of burial area from thousands of years ago.

There is also the suggestion that it has something to do with sun worshipping.

Our modern world with all its technology and advanced science is unable to offer a solution to the hidden mystery of the stones. Tourists flock to the area, hoping they may find reasoning to it all. Access to the area via modern traffic has now been diverted away from the stones and a public transport bus is offered to tourists wishing to wander round the circle of mysterious stones.

A theory is, the stones themselves were transported in some primitive way, from Wales. One thing is for sure. Stonehenge will be well visited this month at the summer solstice, and this year it is Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June.



#### Village Litter Pick

Badsey Scouts will be carrying out the first litter pick on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019 as their contribution to the village. Please support them if you see them in the village, we appreciate their help to keep Badsey tidy.

#### Happy Easter!

Badsey Parish Councillors and Parish Clerk were pleased to meet so many residents and children at the Easter event on Easter Monday. We are told that the village challenge was enjoyable but challenging with some great results! Nearly 30 quiz sheets were sold and all of the 50 freddo bars went, a total of nearly 100 attended to then return and enjoy the beautiful weather and excellent BBQ. Well done to the winning family who scored 27 out of 33 points!

#### Date for your Diary.....

Don't forget that Badsey Soapbox Derby is making a return to the streets of Badsey on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2019, if you haven't started on your cart, now is the time.

#### Village Hedges

A reminder to all residents that if you have a hedge that is next to a public footpath, that it is your responsibility to ensure that it doesn't encroach on the path and make use difficult particularly for pushchairs and wheelchair users.

### Parish Council-New Website

Badsey Parish Council are proud to announce the new website is now up and running, find us at [www.badseypc.uk](http://www.badseypc.uk), please note that the Worcs CC page will no longer be updated.

### Parish Council Meeting- Dates 2019

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

Wednesday 20th June 2019  
Wednesday 17th July 2019  
No meeting in August 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:

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## BADSEY FLOWER SHOW 2019

Badsey Flower Show date for 2019 - Saturday July 20<sup>th</sup>  
The date has been announced for the 117<sup>th</sup> Badsey Flower Show.

The date this year (2019) is Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July and the event takes place as usual on the Recreation Ground, Sands Lane.

Entertainment for the day is still TBC, but the committee promise the usual mix of quality acts in the main arenas, as well as the big marquee of exhibits and all the usual side-shows, stalls, food and drink, etc.

As previously, gates will open at 1pm and the show will end at 5pm. Entry will still be £3 (or £2 OAPs and £1 children).

Look out for the schedule booklet outlining options for entering the show and exhibiting in main marquee. This will be available in the Spar shop soon and also on the NEW Badsey Flower Show website [www.badseyflowershow.co.uk](http://www.badseyflowershow.co.uk)

The Badsey Flower Show committee is always keen to hear from people who would like to help out. This can include getting involved with the committee or helping with set up and take down and/ or the running of the show on the day. To find out more, please email - [info@badseyflowershow.co.uk](mailto:info@badseyflowershow.co.uk)  
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## FILM CLUB

Luvvies

It's Summertime...fancy a night at the Flicks?  
Here are our Future Presentations:

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June: A STAR IS BORN**

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June: THE MAN WHO WOULD BE KING**

Films start at 8pm in the back room of the Wheatsheaf  
Ice Creams are available during the mid film Interval and we have a cracking raffle!!

Get there early for a decent seat.

Clivey x



## Wickhamford Gardening Club

Our June garden visit takes place on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2019, and please note, this year the visit takes place in the afternoon. We visit the magnificent gardens of Highnam Court, on the outskirts of Gloucester, which opens by kind permission of the owner solely for the charity "Pied Piper Appeal". If you require assistance with transport please contact Barbara Bennett, 01386 831092, or any other committee member. We look forward to seeing you all to enjoy this garden.

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The bonus was many cheap train trips costing a third of the normal price. Nosing round the porter's trucks was fun, long wooden crates with BANANAS printed in large black letters, what a treat, post-war bananas were still a rarity.

One day I found a large banana type crate and decided to give it a furtive nudge with my foot only to hear the porter shout 'Leave that crate alone, there's a body inside!' Which was perfectly true, it was in fact a coffin clad corpse travelling by mail to it's final destination.

One summer evening we were waiting for the last train home, 'a stopper', calling at all the stations en route. When sauntering along the platform I met Uncle Bill (Dad's brother). 'I'm looking for a Miss C, oh there you are, come and ride home in the cab with me.' He was driving a diesel car, one of the recent additions to the rolling stock. How important I felt having a birds eye view of the familiar landmarks with the setting sun lighting up the Bell Tower.

I even had chance to put the brake on, a wooden block type of arrangement, highly suspect but effective, the train stopped and we all marched home. Yours truly dreaming of becoming a train driver.

Linda Core

## Morning Prayers in Badsey church

7.45 am every weekday, Mon-Fri  
A reflective way to begin the day

When the monasteries of Britain were closed nearly 500 years ago, it was envisaged by some that the monastic practice of daily prayer would be carried on in a simplified way by ordinary people in their everyday lives. That didn't happen so much but the seven periods of monastic prayer do still live on as the Sunday services of morning and evening prayer and Holy Communion.

Over the last twenty years, the morning prayer service in Badsey Church is for anyone to attend, before they go off to work. It begins at 7.45 am.

The short service follows the changes of the church year and includes readings, some simple plainsong as well as a period of prayer for those who have requested it.

If you would like to come along and take part, you might like to try just one day a week for a set period to see if you like it. Or, if you don't want to attend, 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 are often for ill loved ones, or just a prayer that something will go right in people's lives.

Our vicar, Philip, often comes to the service on Tuesdays and we alternate who leads on the other days. Others of us do a reading or simply take part in a quiet reflective way. Numbers have varied between three and seven depending on which day of the week it is. The smaller numbers can be as moving an experience as the larger. What we do in the first hour of our day, can have a profound effect on how we live and work for the rest of it.

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## St James Flower Guild

1st Sunday	Hazel and Hazel
2nd Sunday	Annette and Sheila
3rd Sunday	Maureen and Sandra
4th Sunday	Jane and Yvonne
5th Sunday	Barbara and Julie

Ladies and gent - thank you for the church flowers during May. Malcolm and I would like to thank the Guild for their generous gift for our 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary - of course we bought plants for the garden, the flowers of which will probably make their way into church in the future.

Any queries regarding Church flowers please contact me,  
Hazel Stewart 832007

## Badsey WI

Our monthly meeting for June will be our garden meeting, where we meet in a member's garden and enjoy a 'take and share' supper. For details please ring **Jane Neill, 830301**.

Kathy Small

## Great Entertainment in Badsey Church on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May

A great evening of different songs were rendered at Badsey Church by the Coalville Male Voice Choir on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May.

£515-15p was raised for Church funds. Well done and thanks to all who attended.



### Footnote:

#### Daily Exercise

My grandad started walking five miles a day when he was seventy.

He's ninety-five today and we haven't a clue where he is.

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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

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

*eastvaleavon2018@gmail.com*

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

### HISTORY SOCIETY

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

### ORGANISATIONS, AND INSTITUTES

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

### YOUTH ORGANISATIONS

1 <sup>st</sup> Badsey Scout Group	Nichol Brown	882350
1 <sup>st</sup> Badsey Guides	Mandy Young	423215

Cafe Freedom	Tracy Hemming	830200
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Messy Church	Penny Christison	830367
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*pennyanne68@gmail.com*

### COMMUNITY GROUPS

Over 60's Friendship Club	Mary Dore	830879
Coronation Street Disabled Club	Jean Dyke	830714
The Sundowners over 60s Friendship Group	Valerie Davies	833423

### ENTERTAINMENT

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

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### SPORT TEAMS AND CLUBS

<b>Air Rifle Club</b>	Ashley Green	832296
<b>Archery Club</b>	Ian Trout	831509
<b>Badsey Cricket Club</b>	David Powell	833122
<b>Badsey United FC</b>	Martin Schembri	07804 921353
<b>Badsey TaeKwonDo</b>	Marie Hall	0748 478 5882
<b>Model Engineering Club</b>	Roger Cull	831933
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