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Community News

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WORCESTER DIOCESE AND ITS PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PROTESTANT CHURCH OF CENTRAL GERMANY



Worcester Diocese is in partnership with the Protestant Church of Central Germany. The partnership link was welcomed by the Magdeburg Diocese after the Berlin Wall came down. Magdeburg is in the Saxony region of Germany and has a beautiful gothic cathedral. The 10th Century Holy Roman Emperor Otto 1 and his wife are buried there. Today, exchange visits by people from both Diocese happen. In June we received a Worcester-Magdeburg Newsletter detailing the enjoyment of various recent visits by both Diocese.

In May, church members of Barby parish near Magdeburg spent a long weekend visiting members of St. Michael's and All Angels Stourport Parish Church. There were a lot of places for them to visit, one of them being the Cotswold Falconry Centre at Moreton in Marsh.

Members of St. Barnabas in Worcester visited members of St. Laurentius in Magdeburg and one place to see was a "double church", one end for catholic worshippers, the other end for protestant worshippers.

Another arrangement was for members from St. Catherine's church, Salzweden near Magdeburg to visit Pershore, where a tour round Pershore Abbey was enjoyed. They climbed to the top of the tower to view the surrounding countryside. A tour round Worcester Cathedral was also arranged for them. They went on a boat trip, a visit to Croome Park, and shopping in Pershore. Before leaving, the German visitors from Salzweden invited members of the Parish Centre, St. Andrews, Pershore, to visit Salzweden next year.

Great Malvern Priory welcomed church members from St. Katharina's church, Wolmirstedt near Magdeburg. The Priory received a gift of an altar cloth embroidered with the words "Wolmirstedt 2019". A visit to Gloucester Cathedral was also arranged for them before they returned home.

The Magdeburg Diocese thanks God for the joy of sharing in worship, fellowship and fun together.



Church members from Salzweden visiting Pershore Abbey



Church members from Barby near Magdeburg, visiting the Cotswold Falconry Centre at Moreton in Marsh

The Benefice of The East Vale and Avon Villages

August 2019

Date	Time	Service	Place	Preside
Saturday 3rd August	8:30am	Morning prayer	Offenham	Lay led
Sunday 4th August <i>Seventh Sunday after Trinity</i>	9:30am	Family service	South Littleton	Timothy Hupfield
	9:30am	Eucharist	Bretforton	Philip Morton
	9:30am	Morning praise	Offenham	Margaret Pye
	11:00am	Eucharist	Badsey	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Family service	Cleeve Prior	Timothy Hupfield
	4:30pm	Eucharist	N&M Littleton	Philip Morton
Wednesday 7th August	10:00am	Eucharist	Badsey	Philip Morton
Saturday 10th August	8:30am	Morning prayer	Badsey	Lay led
Sunday 11th August <i>Eighth Sunday after Trinity</i>	9:30am	Eucharist	Offenham	Timothy Hupfield
	9:30am	Morning Praise	South Littleton	Lay led
	11:00am	Eucharist	Cleeve Prior	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Family service	Badsey	Alan Bache
	4:30pm	Evensong	N&M Littleton	Timothy Hupfield
	6:30pm	Evensong	Bretforton	Margaret Pye
	6:30pm	Evensong	Badsey	Joyce Bache
Wednesday 14th August	10:00am	Eucharist	South Littleton	Timothy Hupfield
Saturday 17th August	8:30am	Morning prayer	Offenham	Lay led
Sunday 18th August <i>Ninth Sunday after Trinity</i>	9:30am	Eucharist	South Littleton	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Café Church	Offenham	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Family Eucharist	Badsey	Timothy Hupfield
	11:00am	Eucharist	Cleeve Prior	Clive Leech
	4:30pm	Eucharist	N&M Littleton	Philip Morton
	6:30pm	Eucharist	Bretforton	Timothy Hupfield
Wednesday 21st August	10:00am	Eucharist	Bretforton	Philip Morton
Saturday 24th August <i>St. Bartholomew the Apostle</i>	8:30am	Morning prayer	Badsey	Lay led
Sunday 25th August <i>Tenth Sunday after Trinity</i>	9:30am	Eucharist	Offenham	Timothy Hupfield
	9:30am	Morning praise	South Littleton	Lay led
	9:30am	Family service	Bretforton	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Eucharist	Cleeve Prior	Philip Morton
	11:00am	Morning praise	Badsey	Sue Cole
	4:30pm	Evensong	N&M Littleton	Joyce Bache
	6:30pm	Evensong	Badsey	Alan Bache
Wednesday 28th August <i>St. Augustine of Hippo</i>	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

August is usually a fairly quiet period in the Church calendar, which makes it an ideal time to reflect on the need for proper rest and recuperation. In the busy-ness of daily life we can often overlook the wisdom of just taking some time to stop and rest, to look around us and enjoy being in the present moment. The Bible is full of examples of this wisdom, starting with the Commandment to make sure we take a proper day off each week ("Remember the Sabbath Day, and keep it holy"), and continuing with the many times Jesus heads off into the wilderness to be alone in prayer. One of my favourite passages from the Old Testament comes from Psalm 127, "It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating

the bread of anxious toil; for the LORD gives sleep to his beloved". If you ever want an excuse to take a nap, here it is in the Bible! There is also some good evidence to suggest that making sure we get proper rest and recuperation is good for our mental and physical health as well. So, while some recent articles in the news are encouraging us to work ever harder and longer, the Bible implies that finding a good balance between work, prayer and rest is a good path to a more fulfilling life. I hope this summertime will be a period of good rest and peaceful enjoyment for you all.



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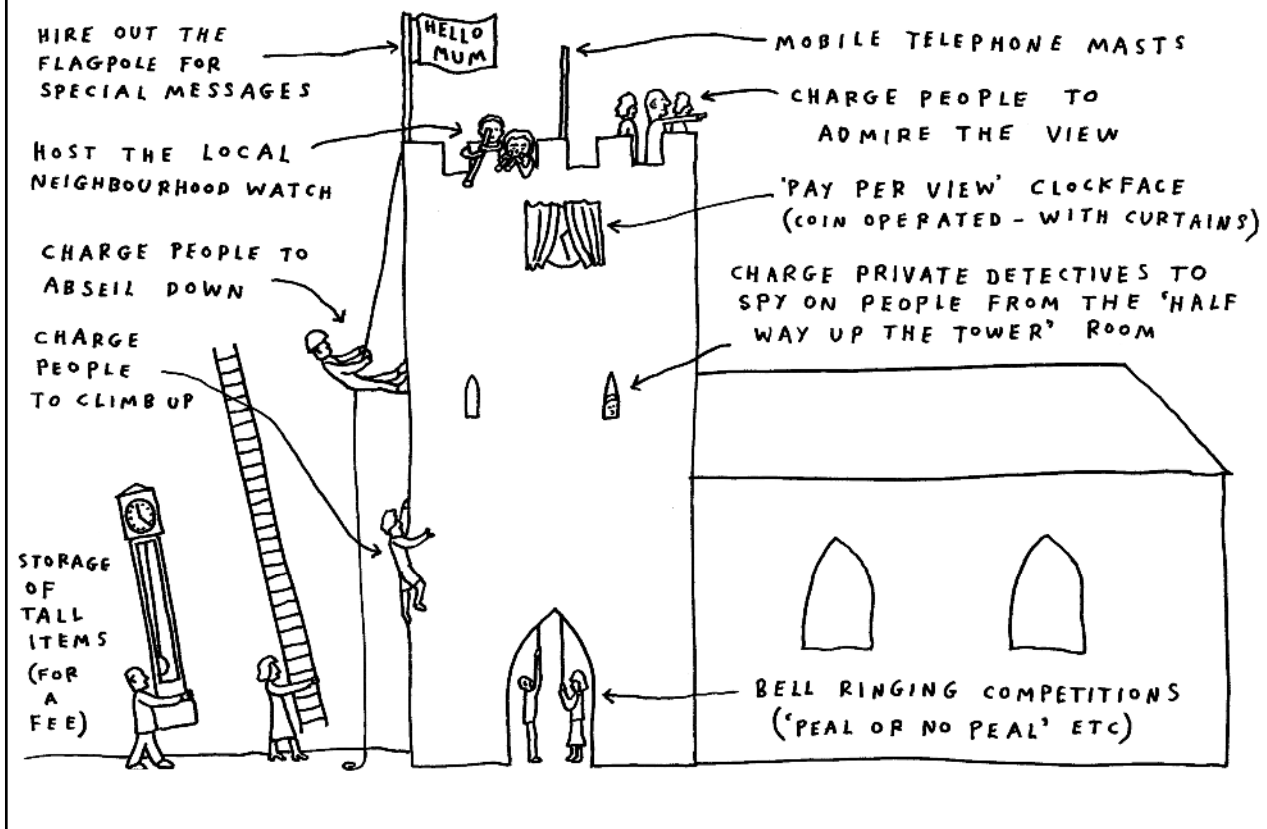
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A cartoon was spotted recently, by a Community News Reader.

The cartoonist's knowledge of today's health and safety rules

didn't apply whilst the imagination flourished.....

TOWER NEWS

We begin August with a visiting team from Warden Hill, Cheltenham .

On Saturday 3rd we have a Wedding celebration.

On Saturday 10th we have another visiting team from the area of Gloucester.

Having had the tower professionally cleaned in April/May in readiness for the arrival of new bell ropes - all extra visits are very welcome to help with the overall expenditure needed to fund the outlay.

John always kept the ropes well spliced which meant they were able to be used that much longer. They have been in use since February 2002. Normally the life span of a rope is around 10 -12 years, on usage, weather conditions, and the quality of the flax/hemp at the time, a natural product for making the rope.

Hilary Bolton

Tower captain.

Wickhamford Gardening Club

Our next meeting takes place on Wednesday 28th August at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.

This month it is the Annual Summer Show when our members are invited to bring their best garden exhibits together with their baking skills for judging as usual by our Chairman and a guest judge.

Show schedules have been distributed photocopies available from committee members. Judging will commence at 7.45pm. We look forward to welcoming everyone.

Sue Stayt

Badsey Parish Council News

Exciting news.....

Badsey Parish Council has finally had an offer accepted to purchase a piece of land so that it will be able to provide facilities that have been requested continually by residents over the years for allotments, a community garden and orchard and a burial ground. Details need to still remain confidential until the completion of the sale but the PC will release information as soon as it is able to.

Defib-Bowers Hill/Pear Tree Corner

Badsey PC is pleased to be able confirm the purchase soon, of a defibrillator at this location bringing the total of devices in the parish to 6. It will be purchased as soon as a suitable location is confirmed.

School Garden & Millenium Post

Badsey PC is pleased to working in partnership with Badsey First School to enhance the small garden area at the front of the school containing the Millenium Post. Further plans will be agreed in the Autumn.

Newsletter Delivery

Badsey Parish Councillors and Parish Clerk deliver the PC newsletter to (hopefully) every household in Badsey, Aldington, Blackminster and Bowers Hill on a quarterly basis. Councillors are looking for volunteers that may be willing to deliver to their street 4 times per year, if you are interested/willing to get involved, please contact the clerk. You should, by now have received your newsletter, if you have not, please contact the clerk, details below.

Neighbourhood Watch

West Mercia Police are hoping to set up Neighbourhood Watch in Badsey parish with the help of local residents. The Parish Council wish to support this initiative and are looking for volunteers to commit to being a warden for their street. If you would be willing to get involved in this project, please contact the parish clerk, details below.

Date for your Diary.....

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

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, please note that the Worcestershire County Council page will no longer be updated.

Parish Council Meeting- Dates 2019

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

- No meeting in August 2019.
- Wednesday 18th September 2019.
- Wednesday 20th October 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.
Tel: (01386) 760332
Email: badseypc@yahoo.co.uk

A monkey's tale, or was it a tail.....



Sadie was a much loved resident in a care home in the village, despite her straight-talking, especially about football which she loathed. To pass the time she enjoyed knitting cotton dishcloths which she sold for charity.

Her pride and joy was 'monkey', who sat on her bed, closely watching the door for visitors. One morning a very tearful Sadie greeted me. 'It's monkey, he's lost one eye,' she explained amid loud sniffs. Knowing that Sadie never let monkey out of her sight, I tentatively enquired if she would let me take him home and mend his eye. She agreed, trusting me implicitly with monkey, her parting shot being, 'and don't forget to bring him back!'

At the end of my shift I emerged through the back door with monkey proudly balanced across my basket, his long tail swinging in the breeze. All went well until I met the children leaving school. 'Look Mummy, that lady is taking her monkey for a walk.'

After tea I set to work replacing monkey's eye, smugly setting aside ten minutes for this easy job, but soon regretting my offer, the needle spearing my fingers as I pushed the leather eye through monkey's astrakhan face. The next day I returned him to a very happy Sadie who hailed monkey like a long lost friend. She insisted on giving me one of her dishcloths, which did sterling service of my crockery.

Linda Core

Morning Prayers in Badsey church

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

For a long time now, 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.

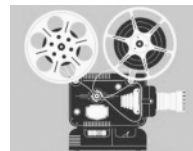
If you would like to come along and take part, you might like to try just one day a week for a set period to see if you like it. Or, if you don't want to attend, you might want to leave a prayer request for us on one of the string tickets just on the right as you enter the church. The prayer requests 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 prayers on Tuesdays and we alternate who leads prayers 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.

Badsey Women's Institute

Our meeting for August will be on Wednesday, 14 August at the Memorial Hall, Badsey at 7.00pm. The talk will be by Meg Farmer on '101 Children - Experiences of a Foster Carer'. This will be followed by tea and cake. Visitors welcome.

Kathy Small



Luvvies

Hurray its the Summer Holidays...ok if you're a kid, not so good if you're not!

If you want a break from the weather come along to Film Club Here are our Future Presentations:

Saturday 3rd August FISHERMAN'S FRIENDS
Saturday 17th August RELATIVE STRANGERS

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

St James Flower Guild

Rota for August:

1st Sunday - Yvonne and Jane

2nd Sunday - Julie and Barbara

3rd Sunday - Mary and Alan

4th Sunday - Hazel and Hazel

Ladies and Gent, thank you for the flowers in church during

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Hazel Stewart 832007

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

HISTORY SOCIETY

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ORGANISATIONS, AND INSTITUTES

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

YOUTH ORGANISATIONS

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

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

Over 60's Friendship Club	Mary Dore	830879
Coronation Street	Jean Dyke	830714
Disabled Club		
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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Mr. Chris Smith 830217
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Our Church Website:
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