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FOR THE PARISHES OF

*S. James, Badsey,*

With ALDINGTON,

AND

*S. John Baptist,*

WICKHAMFORD.

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**To the Parishioners of Badsey with Aldington  
and Wickhamford.**

MY DEAR FRIENDS

As I am on the eve of coming amongst you as your Vicar, I gladly embrace the opportunity afforded me of addressing a few words to you through the medium of the Parish Magazine.

I was admitted to the benefice of Badsey with Aldington by the Lord Bishop of Worcester, in the Chapel of Bishop's House, on Saturday, July 11th, and I am hoping to take up my residence at the Vicarage on Wednesday, August 12th. On the following Sunday evening I intend to "read myself in" at Badsey. As you are no doubt aware, the benefices of Badsey and Wickhamford are quite distinct, and it is not lawful for the same man to hold more than one benefice, except under special circumstances and by virtue of a dispensation from the Archbishop of Canterbury. The necessary formalities preliminary to obtaining such a dispensation had not been observed when I received my licence to Badsey, but I expect to be admitted to Wickhamford very soon after coming into residence.

I feel that I owe a debt of gratitude to all those who have assisted in keeping the parochial machinery in motion during the vacancy of the livings, and I am sure it will cause no single pang of jealousy if I mention by name Mr. Sladden, Mr. Henry Keen and Mr. Idiens, who have considered neither their purses nor their own convenience in providing a due supply of clergy for the performance of Divine Service; Mr. Macdonald, who has superintended the work of the Sunday School; and Mr. Binyon, by reason of whose willing help so many of the parochial organisations have been maintained.

With regard to the conduct of the services and the general working of the parish it is my intention to make as few changes as possible, and I trust I shall make none that will not by their reasonableness commend themselves to my parishioners. In another column will be found a scheme of services which will come into operation on Sunday, August 16th. It is, I believe, almost identical with that drawn up by Mr. Price.

I very much regret that I shall be unable to attend the Flower Show this year. I hope, however, that my absence will not be construed into lack of interest, as circumstances have rendered it quite impossible for me to choose the time for my summer holiday, and I shall be so very far away from Badsey on July 29th that I feel sure the most exacting would hardly refuse me leave of absence.

In conclusion, I should like to thank the many with whom I have already come into contact for their very cordial welcome; and I would ask all for their prayers, that I may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the duties of so responsible an office as that committed to me, and that we all may be inspired to work harmoniously together for the glory of God and the benefit of His Holy Church.

Your servant for Christ's sake,

W. C. ALLSEBROOK.

July 18th, 1903.

THE BELL FUND.

We have to acknowledge the receipt of £1 from the Executors of the late Rev. W. H. Price. This amount has been paid into the Bank together with the sum of £8 os. 6d., the proceeds of a Rose Fete held at Seward House, Badsey, on July 8th. A substantial reduction has thus been made in the deficit which is now brought well below £20. An effort will be made to clear this off entirely before the end of the year.

THE ROSE FETE.

Fine weather favoured this event and a large number of visitors availed themselves of the opportunity to view Mr. Sladden's rose garden. A programme of music was provided and tea was served on the lawn. As mentioned above a good amount was realised for the bell fund and thanks are due to the organizers of the fete and to many others who by their ready assistance helped to carry out matters to a successful issue.

MONIES COLLECTED IN THE CHURCHES.

			BADSEY.	WICKHAMFORD
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
July	5th,	Sick and Needy	5 9	
"	12th,	Church Expenses	15 3	6 0½
"	19th,	Sick and Needy		4 0
"	26th,	Church Expenses	13 1	4 6
Totals			£1 14 1	14 6½

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BADSEY—BAPTISMS.

July 19, Edith Helen, daughter of James and Mary Ann Barnard.

BADSEY—MARRIAGE.

July 25, William Moore and Emma Paulina Colley.

BADSEY—BURIAL.

July 28, Emma Jones, aged 72 years.