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FOR THE PARISHES OF

S. James, Badsey,

With ALDINGTON,

AND

S. John Baptist,

WICKHAMFORD.

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#### THE MAGAZINE.

We are glad to be able to announce that, in future, the Magazine will be enlarged by the addition of a four-page supplement, containing interesting items culled from the latest general Church news. This will entail an increase in the cost of production, but no advance will be made in the price. We hope that this new departure will minister to the satisfaction of our readers, and that, with the increase in the usefulness of our paper, there may be a corresponding increase in its circulation.

#### THE BELLS

We have been honoured by another visit from the W.D.A.C.R. On Saturday, Nov. 7th, eight members of the association came over and rang a peal of Bob Major (5,056 changes) in three hours and two minutes, this being the first peal of Major on our bells. On the following day, seven members of the same band, together with Mr. A. Knight, who was proposed a member of the association prior to starting, gave a peal of Grandsire Triples (5,040 changes) in two hours and forty-nine minutes. This was the first peal of Triples on the bells, and Mr. Knight rang the tenor.

We are pleased to hear from all visitors to our belfry that the rehanging has been most admirably carried out, and that there is a "go" about the bells which makes it a pleasure to ring them.

Mr. W. Gepp, who visited the parish a few weeks ago with Mrs. C. G. Gepp, very kindly contributed fi towards the Bell Fund.

#### THE NEW CLOCK.

As our readers are doubtless aware, the contractors' price for the new clock was £128. Of this £64 has been paid, £32 is due the beginning of the vear, and the balance in twelve months' time. At a meeting of the Clock Committee, held at the Vicarage on Tuesday, Nov. 10th, it appeared that the Treasurer had in hand about £23, and that there were one or two outstanding subscriptions. To provide for our immediate liabilities was decided to have a Social Tea, to followed by a Concert and Dance, on Tuesday, January 5th, and a sub-committee appointed to make all necessary arrangements. We hope that our friends will make a note of the date and turn up in force.

It is difficult to over estimate the value to a village community of a clock that is a trustworthy timekeeper, and, to show the reliability of our Badsey Clock, it is only necessary to point out that neither the regulator nor the hands have been touched since March 18th, but that the clock has. notwithstanding, not once been convicted of untruthfulness since that date.

#### CHURCH EXPENSES.

attention to the announcement made by the Vicar Address or Reading.

on Sunday, Nov. 22nd, with reference to the introduction of a weekly collection at Badsey Parish The collections for Church Expenses have of late averaged about £24 per annum. This amount is altogether inadequate for discharging the liabilities of the Churchwardens. It may be as well to remind parishioners that these include the general up-keep of church and churchyard, fire insurance, cleaning, heating and lighting of church, providing wine for Holy Communion, tuning organ, payment of Clerk, Organist, Organ-blower, and Choristers, washing surplices, and many other incidental expenses which cannot always be foreseen.

The Churchwardens receive 30s. annually as the rent of the Church Lands, but, with this exception, they are dependent upon the offerings of worshippers.

There will therefore, in future, be collections at all Sunday Services, and alms will be asked, as has been the custom of late, at all celebrations of the Holy Communion, in accordance with the rubric.

The alms at Holy Communion are always devoted to some charitable object, and, unless otherwise announced, to the relief of sick and needy parishioners. The collections at all other services will, except on special occasions, be for Church Expenses.

The Vicar and Churchwardens make no appeal on behalf of the Parish Church; they feel sure that it will suffice if they merely state its needs.

W. C. Allsebrook, Vicar. J. SLADDEN { Churchwardens. H. KEEN

#### THE LIGHTER SIDE.

The Ringers, Chimers, and Lay Clerks were entertained at the Vicarage on Thursday, Nov. 26th. Nearly forty sat down to supper, the Vicar being supported by the Churchwardens and Sidesmen. After the usual loyal toasts had been honoured in a manner which left no room for doubt as to the loyalty of Badsey, certain other formalities in the way of mutual admiration were gone through in an equally successful manner. The remainder of the evening was given up to the harmony of sweet sounds and the pipe of peace, the state of the atmosphere dimly, yet clearly showing, that a large majority of those present heartily approved of Calverley's sentiments when he sang of the fragrant weed :-

> Sweet, when the dawn is grey; Sweet, when they've cleared away Lunch; and at close of day Possibly sweetest.

#### ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS.

During Advent there will be Evening Prayer The Vicar and Churchwardens wish to call at Badsey on Wednesdays, at 6.30, with short The Christmas Services will be as follows:-

CHRISTMAS EVE.

Evening Prayer at Badsey at 6.30. CHRISTMAS DAY.

BADSEY 7.0 Holy Communion. WICKHAMFORD.

80 Holy Communion. 11.0 Morning Prayer & Sermon. 11.45 Holy Communion.

9.30 Morning Prayer. 10.0 Holy Communion. 3.0 Evening Prayer & Carols

4.15 Evening Prayer & Carols. S. STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR.

10.0 Morning Prayer.

S. JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST. -1ST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS.

11.0 Morning Prayer. 11.45 Holy Communion.

8.0 Holy Communion.

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6.30 Evening Prayer & Sermon.

3.0 Evening Prayer & Ser-

HOLY INNOCENTS' DAY.

8.0 Holy Communion.

100 Morning Prayer CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST. - NEW YEAR'S DAY.

8.0 Holy Communion.
11 0 Morning Prayer & Litany. 10 0 Morning Prayer.
6.30 Evening Prayer.

#### SECOND SUNDAY AFTER XMAS.

7.0 Holy Communion. 11.0 Morning Prayer & Litany.

11.45 Holy Communion. 6 30 Evening Prayer & Sermon. 8.0 Holy Communion.

3.0 Evening Prayer & Sermon.

### THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY-BURIALS.

November 11th. - Sarah Ann Crane, aged 9 weeks. 14th. Joshua Marshall, aged 88 years.

#### OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH.

			BADSEY.	WICKHAMFORD	
			£ s. d.	£ s.	d.
Nov.	1st.	Sick and Needy	9 6	2	6
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and the	The latest and	Church Expenses	14 61	1	3
,,	29th,	S.P.G.	1 5 6	7	9
		Totals	£3 7 8	17	4

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