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S. John Baptist,

WICKHAMFORD.

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“TO BEAUTIFY . . .

When the work of restoring the Parish Church of Badsey was so successfully carried out some 18 years ago, under Mr. T. G. Jackson, no effort was spared to preserve all that was of respectable antiquity, and to secure the exclusion of all new work that was not in conformity with the old in material, style, and workmanship. The comparatively modern high oak pews were very properly removed, but it was felt that to replace them by introducing pitch-pine benches into a fine old church like ours, after the example of not a few church-restorers, would be little short of sacrilege. It was therefore decided to provide chairs for the accommodation of worshippers until funds should accrue for providing solid oak benches of the good old English type. The Churchwardens consider that the time has now come when a special effort should be made to carry into effect the intention of the promoters of the restoration scheme, and to this end they have placed a box near the south door of the Church to receive contributions towards defraying the expenses (about £400) of re-seating the Church in oak.

THE BROKEN CROSS.

Mr. Savory, who erected the cross that was thrown down and broken on Sunday, May 1st, has had it repaired and re-erected. He has done so “feeling sure that the damage could only have been caused by some accident or by children in thoughtless play, and that no outrage was intended.” It is quite certain that the cross could not have been blown down, but must have been pushed over, either intentionally or otherwise, by some person or persons, and Mr. Savory has taken the most charitable view of the case. We can only add that, if Mr. Savory is right in his conjecture, it is a pity that those who were the cause of injury to the cross have not had the courage to come forward, and thus, perhaps, clear others who may be the objects of undeserved suspicion.

SALE OF WORK.

The Sale of Work and Rummage on Tuesday, May 31st, was most successful, and resulted in the substantial sum of ten guineas being placed to the credit of the Clock Fund.

The Clock Committee tender their warmest thanks to the members of the Sewing Class who worked most assiduously all through the winter. Especially are they grateful to Mrs. H. Keen, to whose sacrifice of time and labour the success of the undertaking was so largely due. The Committee also wish to thank all those who gave clothing, cakes, tea, sugar, kittens, and other commodities.

We have been asked to state that there are still some articles unsold which may be seen and purchased at Mrs. Keen's.

BALANCE SHEET.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Sale of Work	18	1	8½	Purchase of Materials for Sewing Class	7	11	8½
				Balance to Clock Fund	10	10	0
	£18	1	8½		£18	1	8½

ENCOURAGING.

It is gratifying to be able to record a growing appreciation of the importance of Ascensiontide and Whitsuntide. There were 22 communicants at Badsey and Wickhamford on Ascension Day, and 50 on Whit Sunday.

CHORISTERS' EXCURSION.

The following subscriptions have been received:—The Churchwardens (out of the Church funds) 30/-, Mr. Crisp 2/6, Mr. Hands 2/6, Mrs. Hands 5/-, Mr. H. Keen 2/-, Mr. Sladden 2/6, Mrs. Sladden 2/6, the Vicar 5/-, total £2 12s. Any further contributions will be gratefully acknowledged by the Vicar or Churchwardens.

THE BENEFIT SOCIETIES.

The Benefit Societies will observe Wednesday, June 22nd, as Club Day. There will be Divine Service in Badsey Church, with sermon by the Vicar, at 12 noon. Dinner will be served in a tent in the Stockey at 1 p.m., the Vicar presiding. Tickets, price 2/6, may be obtained from members of the Committee.

NOTICE.

The Sunday School will re-open on Sunday, June 5th, and the Clothing and Coal Club and Penny Bank will be resumed on the following Monday.

THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY—BAPTISMS.

May 15th.—Laurence Decimus Agg.
" " Ellen Eliza Stewart.

WICKHAMFORD—BAPTISM.

May 22nd.—Ernest Edward Smith.

WICKHAMFORD—BURIAL.

May 15th.—Maria Newman, aged 63 years.

OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH.

		BADSEY.			WICKHAMFORD.		
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
May 1st.	Sick and Needy	0	3	0	0	3	11
	Church Expenses	0	7	8	0	3	11
8th.	Sick and Needy	0	0	10			
	Church Expenses	0	11	7	0	3	10
12th.	Sick and Needy	0	2	9	0	3	8½
15th.	Sick and Needy	0	1	8	0	3	1
	Church Expenses	0	8	3½	0	3	1
22nd.	Sick and Needy	0	9	0	0	2	8
	Church Expenses	0	11	5	0	7	8
29th.	Sick and Needy	0	0	8			
	Church Expenses	0	17	10	0	3	7½
		£3	14	8½	£1	15	6

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