

Welcome to the May 2024 edition of the Badger, Beckbury & Ryton Newsletter

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Badger Parish Council Meeting

A meeting of Badger Parish Council was held on Tuesday 26 March 2024. One parishioner was present for the Open Forum.

Matters discussed included replacement of the safety bollards outside the bus shelter which are starting to rot, provision of benches in the bus shelter and issues relating to problems caused by increased traffic though the village due to rallies and diversions.

The date of the next Council meeting will be on Tuesday 28 May 2024 at 7pm.

Full details of the March meeting and all other meetings can be found on the Badger Parish Council website (www.badgershropshire.org.uk)

<u>A Huge Thank You</u>

A huge thank you to volunteers who planted hundreds of daffodil bulbs on the edge of Beckbury playing fields late last year. They have made a spectacular show during March. Thanks also to Beckbury community shop for the grant which paid for the bulbs.

Julie

6 Parishes Church Services May 2024

5th May 11.00 am Kemberton, Communion - Rev Matthew Lefroy

12th May 9.30 am Beckbury, Organised Locally- David Tooth

12th May 11.00 am Sutton Maddock, Communion - Rev Janet Holmes

19th May 9.30 am Badger, Communion - Rev Janet Holmes

26th May 9.30 am Beckbury, Communion - Rev Jason Clarke

2nd Jun 11.00 am Stockton Communion, - Rev Matthew Lefroy

A Very Big Thank You

A very big thank you to Susan Pearce for all her hard work and dedication as church warden who is leaving Badger after 30 Years for pastures new.

Belinda and Christopher Blick

There will be a themed Dementia Friendly service to be held at St Mary's Sutton Maddock on 19th May, all are welcome. Refreshments will be available at the end of service. John Webb Six Parishes Dementia Friendly co-ordinator.

On how caring changes relationships.

Much of how you care will depend on the type of dementia someone has, but most importantly, a lot comes down to the type of person you are caring for. In ordinary life, we do change as we age - some of us can mellow, some can become more cantankerous - and it's certainly true that dementia adds another dimension to that melting pot of character. But the disease is still only one facet of the person. You must see the person first and not the condition, just as you would for anyone else.

The difference between being prepared or not can be life-changing, both for the person with dementia and those caring for them. Look at these quotes from carers interviewed for Dr Parveen's report:

It's really hard to know what a journey it's going to be, it's a good job that you don't know.

You don't know how much you're going to get angry. I suppose anger-anger and guilt are the two things that I was least prepared for, and yet I knew, I knew in the abstract anger and guilt are around hugely, but to actually experience the anger and guilt, sometimes the anger towards her after repeat question after repeat question and I would say, "Oh shut up, you know I've told you a hundred times," and she doesn't understand, she can't help what she's saying. But I would say, "Oh shut up." That takes you by surprise. I still feel guilty about so many things; I could have done things so differently, I could have coped for longer with her aggression than I was doing, if I'd known then; if I'd known what was coming, I would never have had her admitted to hospital, I would never have agreed. I could have protected her in so many ways, there's so many 'shoulds' around; I should have done something and yet here, in the end, you are only human.

An extract from a book by Sally Mitchell

John Webb Six Parishes Dementia Friendly co-ordinator

BECKBURY COMMUNITY SHOP

Do you have one afternoon a month to spare? Do you like meeting people? Do you like helping people?

If you answered yes to these three questions, please would you consider helping serve our wonderful customers at Beckbury Community Shop?

We have a wonderful team of volunteers who help keep the shop open 7 days a week, but we are short of cover for just a couple of shifts and when people go on holiday or are unfortunately poorly, it can get really hard to keep the shop open. Please consider helping us for as little as one shift a month or as much as you like. All training is given. No previous experience is necessary.

If you think you can help please contact Heather on heathert806@gmail.com or phone on 07938544804.

We really look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you.

One Little Thank You

'Thank you to the person or people who planted the daffodil bulbs either side of the church path in Beckbury, they have been such a wonderful show this year'

Chris

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