

Braunston Village News

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Easter 2002

Travelling through Braunston tunnel by canal boat there is a moment in the middle of the tunnel, when surrounded by pitch darkness, you wonder if there will ever be an end to it! But you have a lamp, which casts a bit of light in the dank, cold atmosphere. When we pass into a desert time, the Word of God is like a lamp in the darkness, giving us enough warmth and light to see by, until that moment when we move into the bright light of the open air.

Desert experiences are never very comfortable and we would prefer not to have them. When you lose somebody who meant the world to you, or you have suffered some disappointment, or life has got into a bit of a rut and feels dry and lifeless.

Lent is a time of testing. Do we believe in the darkness around us? Or do we believe in love that is stronger than death? Jesus had the evil one at his elbow in the desert for 40 days, the people of Israel for 40 years wandered in the desert. The friends of Jesus must have been open to so much despair and hopelessness as they saw the one who they put faith in walk resolutely to death on the cross. It must have been pitch black then. But God's words of promise for his people Israel (Leviticus 20:24) and Jesus' words of promise for his friends (John 12:35-36; 16:19-24) act like a lamp in a dark place.

Then comes the moment, after Jesus words of dereliction; 'My God, my God why have you forsaken me?' The moment when the light is snubbed out.

Yet, for those who wait, three days later the moment comes of light dawning in all it's brightness. We come into the 'open air' of God's glory. Christ bursts from the tomb, victor over sin and death.

Since then, we don't have to believe in the darkness any more, God has proved how much he loves us, and we live and breathe as Easter people. However dark dark gets take heart, Christ- the light of the World is with us.

I really hope you will be able to join us for our services through Lent and over Easter. We at all Saints wish you a blessed and joyous Eastertide, and the Lord's peace in the lead up to it.

Best wishes, Revd Claire

Holy Week Services 2002

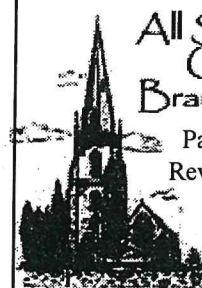
Wednesday of Holy Week (27th March)
7.00pm Holy Communion and Stations of the Cross.
Followed at 7.30pm by a short meditation the Stations of the Cross and discussion in the Rectory.

Maundy Thursday (28th March)
7.30pm HOLY COMMUNION
(with washing of feet)

Good Friday (29th March)
10.00am- 11.00am Children's Workshop.
2.00pm-3.00pm Meditation on the Cross.

Saturday of Holy Week (30th March)
8.00pm Easter Vigil

Sunday 31st March
8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am EASTER SUNDAY EUCHARIST



All Saints'
Church
Braunston

Parish Priest:
Revd. Claire Rose-Casemore
890235
(Rest Day - Fridays)

Churchwardens:
John Caunt 890776
Charles Dunn 812143

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 3rd March

8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST
6.30pm Evensong

Wednesday 6th March

7.00pm Holy Communion and Stations of the Cross

Sunday 10th March

8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am MOTHERING SUNDAY
FAMILY SERVICE
6.00pm Lent Course: **Pray in the Way**
You Can at Holy Cross

Monday 11th March

Little Fishers (for the 0-5s) in the Church.
Easter Story and Easter egg hunt!

Wednesday 13th March

7.00pm Holy Communion and Stations of the Cross

Sunday 17th March

8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST
6.00pm Lent Course: **Pray in the Way**
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Wednesday 20th March

7.00pm Holy Communion and Stations of the Cross
7.45pm ANNUAL PAROCHIAL
CHURCH MEETING

(Please come if you are on the electoral roll)

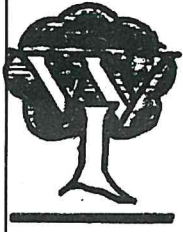
Friday 22nd March

9.45am Braunston School Easter Service in the Church.

Sunday 24th March

8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am. PALM SUNDAY EUCHARIST.
6.00pm Lent Course: **Pray in the Way**
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Braunston Women's Institute



Tuesday 5th
March 7.30 pm
in the Village Hall
"Kaleidoscope"
her reminisces as
a Northants Blue
Badge Guide
A talk by Pat Roll

Braunston & District Royal British Legion



next meeting
Tuesday 12th March
at 8 pm at the The
Sporting Club
in Barby.

The 75th anniversary of the Braunston & District Branch of the Royal British Legion was celebrated at the annual dinner held at The Sporting Club, Barby on 22nd January. 44 members and wives attended.

A service of thanksgiving is to be held in All Saints Church, Braunston on 16th June 2002 to mark the occasion of the Queen's anniversary. The Legion will parade to the church.

Visits are planned this summer to Melton Mowbray market on 21st May and to Bletchley Park Museum on 14th July. Anyone wishing to go should give their names to Jim Tennant on 01327 703128.

BVN Deadline

*****Early copy please*****

March is a short month with Easter being on the 29th!

The closing date for the April edition is 5 pm on Wednesday 20th March.

Leave your copy at the Post Office in an envelope marked BVN or e-mail to steve@rolt.net



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Braunston Junior Football Club

Do you enjoy playing football? Would you like to make new friends?

If so then join your local team. Contact the following for an informal chat:-

Under 9's – Shaun Tokley (07985 424831)

Under 10's – David Abbott (01788 891897)

Under 12's & Under 14's – Mark

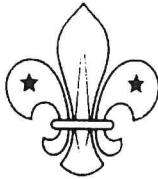
Wedgbury (01788 869139)

We hope to form an Under 8's team for next season, if you have a child you would like to play or are an adult who would like to help or manage/coach this squad please contact me. Short, official Football Association coaching courses are available.

Watch this space for the date and details of our summer Open Day, an excellent chance to meet everyone.

Jane Stevenson – Secretary
01788 891195

Good News



Cubs will continue at least until the end of the term. Jenny Curtis ADC Cubs, has agreed to take the meetings, for the time being. She already has her own Cub Pack on

Wednesday evenings, so we are grateful to her for taking on Braunston Cubs. Meanwhile we are still searching for a permanent Leader, so if there is anyone out there, who would like to take on a well trained Cub Pack please ring Louis on 890766.

Cake Stall - 9th March 8.30am

Please come along and support us. If you are able to make a cake, bring it along on the 9th or leave at 38 Church Road, on the Friday afternoon.

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Braunston Twinning Association

With the world in a constant state of unrest any friendships which can be made with people of different nationalities/cultures can only be to the good.

Our meetings (which are about 9 per year) are social occasions, usually held in someone's home with "refreshments". The purpose being to organise French visits and fund-raising to pay for entertaining our French guests.

How can we encourage more of you to take an interest in our twinning activities with Quincy-Voisins?

What puts you off joining us?

Speaking French is not a requirement.

We'd love to hear from you.

Speak to Chris on 890491 and come to our next 'gathering'.

From the Registers.....

Funeral

Celia Benson's funeral took place on Thursday 14th February at 2.00pm, followed by cremation at Milton Crematorium.

May she rest in peace.

Our sympathy and best wishes go to Celia's family and friends.

Winifred Hyde's funeral took place on Tuesday 18th December 2001 at 2.15pm, followed by cremation at Milton Crematorium. Winifred was a committed member of All Saints and faithfully contributed to the life of the Church.

May she rest in peace.

Revd Claire apologises that Winnie's name did not appear in January's BVN.

Daffodils in memory of Phyl Turner have been planted on the Church bank opposite the Cemetery. It is hoped that Villagers will enjoy the flowers as much as Phyl enjoyed her garden and her years in Braunston

Church Floodlighting

12th December To Richard Thornton with love from Linda on our Wedding Anniversary. *With apologies for missing this last month*

2nd February In memory of Dennis Taylor

12th February Karen Childs – Birthday memories – love from Dad, Kim & Helen

16th February For Keren Andrews 30th Birthday

18th February For Robert Bunn's 65th Birthday from all the family

19th February For Jordan & Robbie Bunn's 9th Birthday

22nd February For George Green's birthday – thinking of you. From Roy, Pam and all the family

22nd February In memory of Eric Holloway. Years mind – love and miss you Dad, Love Margaret, Peter and Anthony Hick.