

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 4th October

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.30 am FAMILY SERVICE for HARVEST
 6.30 pm HARVEST SONGS OF PRAISE

Sunday 18th October

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.30 am Parish Eucharist
 6.30 pm Team Choral Evensong at Staverton

Sunday 11th October

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.30 am Parish Eucharist

Sunday 25th October

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.30 am Parish Eucharist

Monday 12th October

2.15 pm The Little Fishers

Monday 26th October

2.15 pm The Little Fishers

Midweek communion on Wednesdays at 10.30 am. Matins is said daily at 9.00 am and Evensong at 6.00 pm.

Parish Priest : Revd. James Watson 890235 (Rest Day - Tuesdays)
 Churchwardens: John Caunt 890776 and Trevor Minett 890908

Funerals

3rd Sept Vera Louisa Elizabeth JOHNSON
 21st Sept. Edward Norman OVERTON
 23rd Sept. Barbara Mary BEAUCHAMP

May they rest in peace and may light perpetual shine upon them.

HARVEST time is here again. With the turning of the year towards Autumn, it is right to celebrate the harvest home. There will be a Family (Children's) Service on Sunday 4th October at 10.30 am and a traditional Songs of Praise for Harvest in the evening at 6.30 pm. **On Monday, 5th October, at 7.30 pm in the School, we shall be holding a Harvest Supper.** Tickets are available from the back of Church on Sundays, or the Rectory and the Post Office during the week.

The wet summer might have been good for gardens but it has also meant that bushes, weeds and grass in the churchyard and cemetery have benefitted too!

On 10th October, from 9 am until 1 pm we will be having a working-party to clear some of this unwanted growth. Your help to trim and tidy up these areas would be most welcome.

Our patronal festival

Sunday 1st November, All Saints' Day.

Come along and celebrate our church's 149th anniversary. Lunch will be provided after the service. All welcome. Choral Evensong will end our festivities at 6.30 pm on the same day.

Vicar's Letter

Dear All,

Enclosed with this month's Braunston Village News is an invitation to you to become a FRIEND OF ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, BRAUNSTON. By becoming a FRIEND you will be helping directly to keep our church building safe and to maintain its use for future generations. Once you have read it through, I am sure you will agree that it is at least different! I also hope that by becoming a FRIEND of the church you will have a bit of fun as well!

Because in return for your support, you will receive a FREE lighting of the Church spire (worth £5) and a chance to win £100 in Marks and Spencer gift vouchers, plus, for those who send in their forms quickly, a FREE bar of my handmade soap!

To be serious though, churches receive no government aid to help with building repairs (except for one-off grants for specific projects) and so it is up to the people in each parish to make sure that their church is kept in a sound condition.

By becoming a friend, you will not be making any commitment to the life of the Church as such, but you will be doing your bit to share the cost of keeping in good condition a building which we all justly proud of.

Thank you for your support and good luck in the draw!

Yours sincerely,

Rev. James Watson

Braunston Friendly Club.



The Club's Birthday Lunch on 12th October at the 'Barley Mow' - Newbold

This is for members only and will cost £4 per head. The coach will leave The Green at 11.30am and at

2.15pm for the return journey. If you haven't yet booked your meal please contact Gill on 890763 as soon as possible.

26th October there will be a Tea Dance with our friends from Daventry. There will be dominoes and other board games for the non-dancers.

Church Floodlighting



- 27th August For Tony and Lorraine Steele from London
 - 28th August On Ned Warltier's 80th Birthday
 - 3rd September In loving remembrance of Ernest Brierley from Susan and all the family
 - 9th September For Pat Herlihy's Birthday
 - 18th September Birthday of late Henry Frederick Pressdee
 - 18th September For Olive Cuthbert on her 90th Birthday
 - 19th September On the wedding of Belinda Hough and Nick Robbins
 - 22nd September Silver Wedding of Pauline and Andrew Knibbs
 - 24th September For Elisabeth Davies' Birthday
 - 25th September On the Wedding Day of Jonathan and Nicola from Pam Back
 - 27th September Ruby Wedding of Ron and Yvonne Hough
- Correction:* Floodlighting on 2nd August was for Rowan Elizabeth Courts

If you would like the Church Spire lit up for your celebration or special event, then please fill in a form at the back of church and post it through the Rectory letter box with £5.

BRAUNSTON PRE-SCHOOL

Welcome to Dawn Childs who is our new play assistant.

Many thanks to the Rugby branch of Carpet Right who donated a carpet for the children's reading area



Braunston Women's Institute Annual General Meeting Tuesday 6th October

The AGM is especially important this year as five committee members will be retiring and we must elect a new committee.

After the business of the evening we shall relax over 'Cheese and Wine'.

Members are reminded that there will be a 'Bring a & Buy' to boost funds

BRAUNSTON PARENT & TODDLER GROUP Tuesdays 1.00 - 2.30 pm in the Village Hall.

All babies and children under school age welcome with their carers.

Do come along and have a play, a chat and a coffee!

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By Post

Do you know a friend or relative who has left the village and would enjoy having the BVN?

For £5 for 12 months we will post a copy (11 issues).

Just send the address with cash or a cheque payable to All Saints Church to Owen Davies, 63 High Street.



Braunston Twinning Association

Visit to Quincy-Voisins in May 1999.

Come to the meeting to discuss dates and means of transport.

Wednesday 21st October at 8 pm in the Old Library at the Village Hall

20 Years ago From our archives.....October 1978Village Notes by Duncan Gallie

Naturalists tend to rejoice when they discover a rare plant, insect or bird which is uncommon enough to note - an osprey, a gold finch or a snowy owl. Common birds however are worthy of observation. The house sparrow always haunts the habitations of man. The adult male - marked by his black bib, is a perky, noisy, quarrelsome rascal, chasing round after females, fighting his rivals and making his presence felt. Though perpetually fighting his fellows, he seems unable to do without their company, quarrelling being as much part of his life as eating.

At harvest time the town sparrows seem to come to cornfields - always keeping to the margins. The nest is a carelessly assembled ramshackle collection of hay, or anything that comes handy - thrown together with none of the artistry of the thrush or the hedge sparrow. In some respects the sparrow is a nuisance, but the countryside would be the poorer without this noisy, cheeky, quarrelsome scamp of the bird world.