

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 1st March

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Sunday School
10.30 am Parish Eucharist
6.30 pm Evensong

Sunday 8th March

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Sunday School
10.30 am Parish Eucharist

Monday 9th March

2.15 pm The Little Fishers

Sunday 15th March

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Sunday School
10.30 am Parish Eucharist
6.30 pm Team Evensong at Braunston

Sunday 22nd March

MOTHERING SUNDAY

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am **Family Service for Mother's Day**
6.30 pm Evensong with Bilton Grange School Choir

Monday 23rd March

2.15 pm The Little Fishers

Sunday 29th March

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Sunday School
10.30 am Parish Eucharist
6.30 pm Music and Readings for Passiontide

† Midweek communion on Wednesdays at 10.30 am

† On weekdays Matins are said at 9 am and Evensong at 6 pm

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

Holy Baptism

7th December

Daniel Robert BURTON

It is with great pleasure that we welcome him into the Lord's family.

Funerals

9th February Dennis TAYLOR

24th February Maud Nellie CLARKE

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

Church Floodlighting

10th Feb. On the birth of Léonie Rose, granddaughter of Clive and Lorna Cooper

11th Feb. Janet Cox's birthday

14th Feb. In memory of the late William Berry, from his sons Sid, John and Ben Berry

16th Feb. Keren Wilson's birthday

22nd Feb. Anniversary of death of Horace Isom from the Isoms

22nd Feb. For George Green on the anniversary of his birthday

22nd Feb. Birthday memories of John Henry Beresford who would have been 90 to-day from Christine, Kelvin and Dale

26th Feb. Alan Pittam's 60th birthday

To light the spire just fill in form at back of Church.



Vicar's Letter

Dear All,

Easter is the climax of the church's year and I know that many people will want to make it their special part of the year as well. As I write, we are in the middle of Lent, the sombre season but, as if to remind us that Spring is here, we have **Mothering Sunday** on 22nd March. It is a time to remember and give thanks for our mothers. There will be a Family Service at 10.30 am at which posies will be distributed. On the same day, we will be welcoming the Motet Choir from Bilton Grange who will be joining us for Evensong at 6.30pm.

Spring time is a time to make fresh starts and new beginnings. We shall be starting **Confirmation Classes** after Easter. I hope to run a younger section (aged 12 and over) as well as an adult group. Confirmation is both an opportunity to brush up on your faith as well as to make a fresh commitment to God. I encourage you to consider whether **you** might like to be confirmed. Please have a word with me if you would.

Yours sincerely,

Rev. James Watson

Thank you.

- For a donation of £10 to the cost of printing the BVN in memory of the late Mrs V.Hambridge
- To Mrs G. Brinkman for delivering the BVN to parts of Greenway for many years

Friendly Club

On 9th February the members enjoyed lunch together at the Village Centre and on 23rd Gill Powell showed holiday slides.

This month on 9th March Mr Wheeler of Willoughby will talk about the growing and care of fuschias.

Thanks from 2nd Braunston Scouts

to
everyone who supported our
cake stall. It raised £108.18



The Royal British Legion Braunston & District Branch

Our next meeting will be on
Tuesday 10th March at the Stag's
Head, Watford at 2000hrs. Anyone
needing a lift should contact the

Secretary on 891124.

BRAUNSTON YOUTH CLUB re-opening on Friday 6th March 7.30pm-10.00pm

Volunteers are needed on a rota basis to
help on alternative Friday evenings.

If you are able to help please contact
Kay Verity at the Daventry Area Youth Office
on 01327-877022



Just to remind you :
Neighbourhood Watch is still
active! If you see anything that
doesn't look right or any mysterious
goings on you can help by letting
the Police know on 01327-300300.

Don't wait. Information is valuable
now- to-morrow may be too late! There were a
couple of break-ins last month but the burglar was
caught in the act. *Keep them peeled!*

Village Notes - Derrick Turner writes:

The item written by Dick Herne, last autumn, on Braunston's industry, and especially on the Drill Factory, brought to my mind the effect that Mason Master had on our village Post Office. When my parents took over the Post Office in 1938 mails were received via Midland Red bus, and the evening mail despatched by rail. The bags were carried to Braunston station by Tom Quinney and Bill Meacham and travelled to Rugby via the Leamington line. With the closing of the station, the Postmen cycled to Willoughby station with 3 or 4 bags of mail.

As the Mason Master factory developed, the number of bags rose to about 20 and were taken to Willoughby station by taxi. After a few weeks the GPO laid on the first mail vans and subsequently, with the exception of overseas parcels, Rugby Post Office collected mail directly from the factories. It was not until 1st November 1973 that Braunston's post was served by Daventry and Northampton rather than Rugby. The last day for franking letters in Braunston was 30th April 1975.



Braunston Womens' Institute

We're starting the year on a healthy
note!

Last month we heard about the health
giving properties of Aloe Vera. This
month we will be having a talk about traditional
acupuncture.

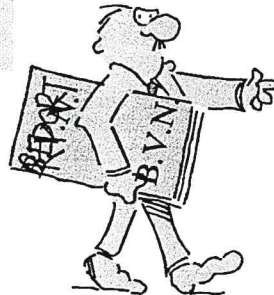
Jumble Sale - Saturday 7th March at 2pm

in the Village Hall. + Cake Stall + Refreshments!
Offers of jumble please to Gill Powell (890763)
or any W.I. member.

Braunston Twinning Association

The visit from Quincy-Voisins will be over the weekend
of the May Day Bank Holiday. (Friday 1st pm to Sunday
3rd May). If you would like to host French visitors
contact Beverley Hankinson on 891221.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 31st March at 8pm
in the Wheatsheaf.



Needed urgently!

Someone to deliver 50 copies of
the BVN in part of Greenway.
Deliveries end next month unless
there is a volunteer for a gentle
walk once a month! Phone Owen
Davies 890076 for details please.

Braunston Memorial Hall Foundation

The Committee are compiling a directory of local
tradespeople for repairs, etc on the Village Hall. If you would
like to be included please phone the Secretary, Clare Ashley
on 891580 or write to 60 Welton Road.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCE'S YOUTH BUSINESS TRUST:

The PYBT exists to help young people start up their own
businesses. Loans of up to £5000 can be available to people
under 30 who have a sound business plan. The PYBT
especially tries to help people who cannot raise money from
banks or families. For details contact Brian Mutlow on
01604-671200. He is also willing to come to talk to clubs,
social groups, councillors - just ask!