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CHURCH SERVICES

Friday 1st November - All Saints' Day
7.30 pm Festival Eucharist

Sunday 3rd November
8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Parish Eucharist
6.30 pm Evensong

Sunday 10th November
8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Family Service
3.00 pm Remembrance Day Service

Monday 11th November
2.15 pm The Little Fishers (Toddlers' Service)

Sunday 17th November
8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Parish Eucharist
6.30 pm Evensong at St. Martin's, Welton

Sunday 24th November
8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Parish Eucharist

Monday 25th November
2.15 pm The Little Fishers (Toddlers' Service)

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

Baptisms

29th September

Lahni-Jo THOMPSON
Annelies Tamsen FLACK

*It is with great joy that we welcome them
into the Lord's family*

Don't Forget....

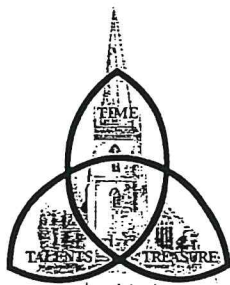
11th November. The Royal British Legion reminder "Pause to remember the 11th November for 2 minutes silence at 11.00 am".

23rd November. **All Saints' Christmas Fair** in the Village Centre 2 - 4 pm. Come along to do some early Christmas shopping and enjoy a cup of tea and chat with friends

Vicar's Letter

Dear Parishioners,

Our celebrations for Harvest Festival were well attended. What a pleasure it was to see the Church looking so beautiful with all the produce of the harvest displayed around. Thank you to those who decorated the Church so imaginatively. Altogether we raised from the Concert and Harvest Supper the sum of £245 which will go to Christian Aid.

All Saints' Alive

All Saints Parish Church
BRAUNSTON

Now to November's business. Most of the month our energies will be focussed on the **All Saints' Alive** campaign. This is the title for the Church's stewardship campaign and in a way it follows on quite nicely from Harvest Festival for both are concerned with the wise management of resources which God has given us.

All Saint's Alive is about offering back to God - through his Church - what God has given us. Regular members of the congregation will receive shortly a brochure inviting them to offer their **TIME, TALENTS** or **TREASURE** so that the Church can remain a focus for worship and witness in the village as it has for countless generations.

If you are not a regular at Church but would like to receive a brochure, John Caunt on 890776 can get one to you. I am quite confident that, God willing, we shall be able to build a secure future for All Saints' Church.

Appropriately, **All Saint's Alive** begins on All Saints' Day, Friday 1st November at 7.30 pm, when we celebrate our patronal festival with a special Festival Eucharist at which the Rector of Daventry will preach. I hope you will be able to come and celebrate the "birthday" of Braunston Church and to enjoy each other's company over

light refreshments after the service.

Yours ever,

Rev'd James Watson

Thank you To the Braunston Village Gardens Association for a donation of £30 that more than pays for the cost of one month's edition of the BVN. Thanks too to Joan Hossain for her donation to the BVN.

****Material for combined December/January edition to Owen Davies, 63 High Street by 23rd November please.****

Braunston Friendly Club

This month the Club celebrated its 32nd birthday with lunch at The Romer Arms, Newnham. We were all made to feel very welcome. The landlady, Pauline, and her staff, provided us with an excellent selection of meals. This was followed by a Beetle Drive, which was won by Kath Gardiner, with Greta Raftery coming second. A "free" raffle with prizes provided by Hilda Bradshaw (one of our founder members) came next. Anne Billingham had provided an iced birthday cake inscribed with the legend "32 years young" and the members enjoyed this with a cup of tea. Many thanks to all who helped make this such an enjoyable afternoon. There are still some places left for the shopping trip to Leicester on November 11th. The coach will pick up at Daventry bus station at 9.45 am, and at Braunston Green at 10.00 am. Cost £4.00 per head. Contact Gill Powell on 890763 or Janet on 890336. On Monday November 25 we hope to have a slides and music show.

Braunston WI

Held their Annual Meeting on October 1st. The serving officers and committee members were all re-elected for another year. Afterwards there was a demonstration of corsage making by Mrs Olive Barneby. Five lucky ladies, with October birthdays, went home with the attractive buttonholes she made. The Barn Dance on October 12th was a great success and the resulting profit of about £80 will be shared between WI and Village Hall funds. Next month's meeting will be an illustrated talk about Cornwall. Visitors are welcome.

1ST BRAUNSTON GUIDES

Congratulations to the four teams who entered Northamptonshire Youth Service's Suntrek Incident Hike on 13th October. Clare, Charlotte, Dawn and Jemima gained 106 points to win the 10 to 14 year section. In the 10 to 12 year section, Amy and friends Perjit, Hemma and Lauren won with 118 points and Claire, Rebecca, Kerry and Alice were second with 109 points. Joanna, Natsha, Julia with Catherine from Towcester gained 98 points and came 6th. A total of 32 teams took part, 23 in the 10-12 age group, at Bucknell Woods near Silverstone, on a fine, sunny, Sunday morning.

Braunston Memorial Hall

We are holding a Table Top Sale in the Hall on Sunday 3rd November from 9 am till 1.00 pm. Pitches are limited (so book yours by phoning Chris on 891714) and cost £5. Sellers may set up from 7.30 am, and admission to buyers is free! Refreshments will be on sale throughout the morning, and there will be a raffle. A chance to pick up pre-Christmas bargains, whatever the weather! We look forward to seeing you.

Neighbourhood Watch

gives gardening notes!

The judicious planting of thorn plants can significantly deter the opportunity thief - not only hedges but under windows and drainpipes where burglars could climb. Berberis, pyracantha and some old fashioned rose hedges are ideal and look good too. Be extra vigilant as we approach Christmas - burglars know there are lots of goodies about. Christmas tree lights with no other signs of occupation could be an invitation! Besides, unattended Christmas tree lights can be a fire hazard.

2ND BRAUNSTON CUB SCOUTS

Welcome to our latest Invested Cub, Jack Randell. Thanks to Charlie Rawbone, who offered to be Team Manager, we are now playing football! - we entered 2 teams in the Daventry District Five Aside competition, and recently played a Friendly against Daventry Town under 10s - Simon Miller was a brilliant goalkeeper. We have done a bird survey following a visit with the Warden at Daventry Country Park to finish off the Naturalists' badge, and are grateful to Barbara Johnson who has helped our Communicator badgework by covering sign language, and hearing disabilities.

2ND BRAUNSTON SCOUTS

Well done to Adam, Dexter and Dominic for completing their 3 day Chief Scout Challenge hike around Oxfordshire and Warwickshire, camping at Tadmarton and Edgehill, and to Adam, Dexter and James who came 3rd in the Northamptonshire County Challenge 9 hour night hike. Edward Brookes has recently been invested, and will be taking part in the Daventry District Startrek on 26th October, in one of 2 Braunston teams.

Elizabeth Hargraves would like to thank all who attended her Coffee Morning. £210.75 was raised for the Macmillan Nurses. Raffle prizes were given by: Mirror Image, Gurneys, Goodness Foods, Wheatsheaf, Gear Change, Braunston Butchers, Admiral Nelson and Mrs Morris.

VILLAGE NOTES by Dick Herne

Before the National Census was introduced in 1801, occasional surveys estimated Braunston's fluctuating population. In the late 17th century there were 500 people in 111 houses. As grazing replaced field cultivation numbers fell! Bridges recorded only 88 houses c. 1720. The increase of population in the 18th century was mainly due to road traffic created by London's growing inland trade. The road system needed much improvement which was beyond the resources of the parish authorities responsible. The solution was 'privatisation' - the creation of turnpike trusts - companies allowed to charge tolls in return for maintaining the roads.

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