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CHURCH SERVICESSunday 6th October

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.30 am **Harvest Family Eucharist**
 6.30 pm **Harvest Songs of Praise**

Sunday 13th October

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.30 am Family Service

Monday 14th October

2.15 pm The Little Fishers (Toddlers' Service)

Sunday 20th October

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

Sunday 27th October

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.30 am Family Service

Monday 28th October

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

Funerals

Carmen McGOWAN 16th September
 Charles DODD 17th September
*May they rest in peace and let light
 perpetual shine upon them.*

Celebrations for Harvest Festival

Concert in Church by OPUS 9, Saturday 5th October - refreshments available.

Harvest Supper in school at 7pm on 7th October. £3 adults, £1 children (which is cheaper than last year!) Proceeds to Christian Aid. Tickets from Rectory, Post Office and Sheila Rowley.

Vicar's Letter

Dear Parishioners,

Braunston Church exists to serve God and the people of this parish. However it cannot continue to do so without your support. This is why I write to tell you about our new Stewardship Campaign called "All Saints Alive". It is about trying to get more people involved in the life of the Church.

Coming shortly to members of the congregation will be a booklet outlining ways in which you can help Braunston Church in the future.

The pack asks you to give a bit of your TIME - by helping to clear the churchyard for example, a bit of your TALENTS by singing in the choir for instance and lastly a bit of your TREASURE - well, you wouldn't believe me if I said your financial support wasn't important!

What the Church needs is people who are willing to give so that ALL SAINTS truly stays ALIVE for future generations. I ask you to pray for our campaign and to support it in whatever way you can.

Yours, Rev'd James Watson.

All Saints' Alive starts on All Saints' Day, 1st November 1996

This is the 300th issue of the BVN. The first issue came out in January 1970 when the Deanery magazine ceased due to printing costs. Rev'd. Bevan Griffiths was Rector and his wife gave £25 to cover initial costs. Many helped but the BVN probably owes more to Duncan Gallie than anyone else. Duncan Gallie was one of the founders and was editor until his death in 1990. He came to Braunston from Northumberland in 1943 to be headmaster of the school. The late Mrs Woodall typed the BVN for many years. More recently this was done by Marguerite Foulkes and printing by Geoff Curtis. In the last two years modern technology has superseded the laborious use of typewriter and 'Roneo skins', but the basic format has remained much the same, church notices and news of village events. The early issues gave the times of services at the Methodist Church that existed at that time and All Saints was used by the Roman Catholic community once a quarter for Mass. The Friendly Club have maintained their place at the top of the second page for most issues and the Women's Institute has been a regular contributor. We are grateful to the loyal band of people who deliver the BVN to every home in Braunston - something we think very important. It costs nearly £30 per issue and we would not be able to continue without the many donations we receive from organisations and individuals through the year. Thank you. Turning to the future, our enquiries suggest that a single sheet newsletter is the preferred style. With more help we could produce a larger BVN but we have heard people say that there is enough to read coming through our letterboxes already - so carry on with the same style. We would like to think that the BVN is the first place people would look for news of what is going to happen in Braunston during the month, and where and when. Even if you haven't used the BVN for announcements before let us know what you are planning. Your comments and help are always welcome. - Editor.

Material for November edition to Owen Davies, 63 High Street by 20th October please.

Friendly Club.

On Monday, October 14th we will be celebrating our birthday with lunch at the Romer Arms - Newnham, followed by entertainment in the afternoon. If you haven't already put your name down for this please contact Gill (890763) or Janet (890336). On October 28th we hope to have a talk from Linda Collar, an Air Hostess, provided her duties permit.

The shopping trip to Leicester will take place on November 11th and will cost £4. The coach will pick up at The Green at 10.00 am and will leave Leicester at 3.30 pm for the return trip. Once again phone Gill on 890763 if interested.

Braunston Twinning Association

Wednesday 9th October

Come and join us for a drink in the Wheatsheaf at 8 pm and talk about next year's visit to Quincy-Voisin and other possible social events

MARKING THE MILLENNIUM

The Parish Council has been considering how Braunston should mark the millennium, and would like villagers to make suggestions.

**An open meeting will be held
on Wednesday 23rd October at 8.00 pm
in the Village Hall**

If you wish to put forward an idea but cannot attend the meeting please send it to the Clerk, Roddie Grant, 19, King Edward Road, Rugby CV21 2TA in writing by 21st October.

Braunston Women's Institute

Pat Streton volunteered to be the patient when Mrs Christine Riley demonstrated "Remedial Massage Therapy" at our Septemebr meeting - everyone else enjoyed it!

On the previous Wednesday we entertained members of Hullandward W.I. from Derbyshire. After coffee at Greta Raftery's the visitors were taken to Ashby St Legers to see the picturesque village and its lovely old church. After lunch in the Village Hall, accompanied by local members, they were given a tour of Rugby School. We were lucky to have a fine day and everyone enjoyed it. We look forward to our return visit to Derbyshire next year.

Our Annual meeting will take place on October 1st

FLOWER, FRUIT & PRODUCE SHOW

A big thank you to all who made the 1996 Show such a success - particularly the exhibitors who filled the hall with colour for the enjoyment of so many villagers. We hope that those who entered for the first time were pleased with their results.

Winners for the Special Prizes in each of the categories were:- Les Haynes for his pears, John Bradshaw for his wine, Annie Rodgers for her cross stitch and Kelly Brewster for her amusing model.

The George Green Perpetual Challenge Trophy (for the exhibitor with the highest number of points in the wine and home produce sections) was shared between John Bradshaw and Lynne Whyte, whilst the TUC Centenary Perpetual Challenge Trophy (for the exhibitor with the highest number of points in the Vegetable, Fruit & Flower sections) was awarded to Janet McCarthy (and not Mike McCarthy as announced at the Show!) Congratulations to all.

The BVN acknowledges a donation towards our costs from:

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THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION
Braunston Branch -Wheelchair Push
On 14th September to
celebrate the Legion's 75th
anniversary. Five chairs were
pushed 15 miles and over £800
collected from Braunston

residents. The Branch warmly thanks all those who so generously supported the "Push". Those who took part enjoyed it too. Proceeds, together with monies collected in Barby, Kilsby, Ashby and Welton will, in the main, go to Galanos House, Long Itchington, the Legion's home for ex service personnel.

Thank you Jean Hossain for the gift of old BVN's. We now have an almost complete set
Does anyone have issues 23,48,58,64,66,69,
75,78,79 or 255 ?

Braunston Short Mat Bowls

Meets every Thursday afternoon at 1.45 pm in the Village Hall and would welcome some new members. Experience not needed. We will show you how! Contact Alan or Gill Powell, 4 Church Road (890763)