

CHURCH SERVICESSunday 4th August

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.30 am Parish Eucharist with Holy Baptism
 6.30 pm Evensong

Sunday 18th August

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.30 am Parish Eucharist
 6.30 pm Team Choral Evensong at St.Mary's Catesby

Sunday 11th August

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.30 am Family Service

Sunday 28th July

8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.30 am Parish Eucharist

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

Holy Baptism

7th July Harry James ARCHER
 Rhianna Sophie CROOKS

*It is with great joy that we welcome
 Harry and Rhianna
 into the Lord's family.*

Holy Matrimony

13th July
 Lee PAWLETT
 & Joanne BRUSCH

27th July
 Daniel SEENEY
 & Rosemary MANNING

*We wish them every happiness in
 their married life together*

Vicar's Letter

Dear Parishioners,
 As I write this the temperature in Braunston is in the 80's, and surely the coolest place to be is in Church!
 At this time of year when people have more time to spend outside, it is perhaps appropriate to thank God for the beauty of the natural world that surrounds us. I am reminded of the words of Gerald Manley Hopkins:
 "The world is charged with the grandeur of God"

Now that the holiday season is underway, we have several outdoor activities to look forward to, including the Parish Treasure Hunt which takes place on Thursday 1st August. Cars leave the Church from 6pm onwards and return in time for supper in the Parish Room. If you would like to come, please contact me or put your name on the list at the back of the Church.

Finally, a joke to get you in the holiday mood. There were two fish in a tank. One said to the other, "Do you know how to drive this thing?" Enjoy your summer

Yours sincerely,

Revd. James Watson

PS. The Little Fishers will not be meeting until Monday 9th September

The final amount collected for the **Down's Syndrome Association** was even more than reported last month. Thanks to 'Mirror Image' and Maureen of 'Cabouchon' the grand total is £920.00. Thank you everyone!

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS

Please note the new contacts if you wish to book the Hall for an event:

C. Ashley, 60 Welton Road. Phone 891580
 or alternatively, S. Catchpole, Phone 891012

Braunston Twinning Association

Weds 28th August - Tour of Hellidon Vineyard

Only £1.50 including tasting!

Details from Elizabeth Gwynne (891331)

Next years' visit to Quincy-Voisins is 2 -5 May 1997
 Book early! Contact Beverley Hankinson ((891221)
 We are still looking for a Treasurer. It's not hard work!



Happy Birthday to Mrs Thirza Clarke
 Born and bred in Braunston, she attended the village school from 3years old. With her husband she ran the "Admiral Nelson" for 18 years .

Friendly Club.

The Friendly Club Garden Party was cancelled due to unsettled weather but the members enjoyed a pleasant chat and tea in the Hall.

There is only one meeting in August; that is the coach trip to Shipston on Stour on Monday 12th August. The coach will leave The Green at 10.30 am and will leave Shipston for the return trip at 3.30 pm. The cost is £4 each. There are still a few spare seats so please phone Gill on 890763.

Next month our first meeting is on Monday 9th September and will be the Harvest Festival

FLOWER & VEGETABLE SHOW

Saturday 7th September

Don't be shy to enter! You don't have to be an 'expert'. Often first timers walk off with the prizes!

Show schedules will be delivered to you early in August. New classes this year include "A collection of shrubs for foliage" and "A collection of shrubs for flowers". There is also a new class for "One bottle of beer" to see if there are any home brewers amongst us. There are more classes for children (under 11's) with no entry fees. Other new classes include "Draw a card for a birthday" and "A collection of named leaves".

It's hoped parents will encourage their children to 'have a go.'

Once you have studied your schedule deliver it, with the entry fees, to the Show Secretary, Viv Hall at 29 Spinney Hill or to the Post Office by Wednesday 4th September. You then bring your entries on the morning of the Show to the Village Hall and 'stage' your entry by 11 am. At 2pm you're allowed in to see if you have won. Good luck!

To help all the new entrants Viv Hall explains that:

A pair should look as nearly like twins as possible.

A collection is as many varieties of whatever is called for as possible.

Trimmed means that root vegetables beside being cleaned, but NOT scrubbed, should have their leaves and stems shortened to an inch or two.

2nd Braunston Cub Scouts

We have had a very busy summer, achieving Navigator and Explorer badges. We recently enjoyed a hike to Miry Bridge, incorporating a Quiz Trail round Flecknoe, and spent an interesting evening with the Warden at the Country Park doing a tree study towards the Naturalist badge.

Congratulations to the Scouts who won the Daventry & District Raft Race, the day after they had taken part in Scoutcar Championships at the Jaguar Plant. We hope they all enjoy their International Scout Camp at Nailor.

All Scouts, Cubs and Beavers enjoyed our annual summer get-together where we had Tug of War championships and three legged rounders in the field near the Den.

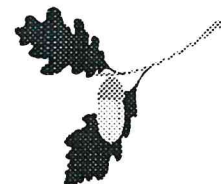
....but HELP PLEASE for the Beavers

the youngest group in the Scouting movement with about 21 six to eight year old boys urgently need a voluntary adult helper at their meetings in the School Hall from 6 to 7pm on Thursday evenings during term time. Without help the Beavers cannot continue. Qualifications: A good sense of humour! Please contact Sue Burge, Beaver Leader, on 890310 or at South View, Nibbits Lane.

Braunston Women's Institute

At our July meeting Mr Jim Headford gave an interesting and amusing talk about the Woodland Trust, a charity dedicated to countering the deforestation which has occurred in Britain over many centuries. The Trust does a wonderful job in creating new woodlands and preserving old ones for the benefit of wild life and our enjoyment and that of future generations. Mr Headford was ably assisted by Mr Frank who was in charge of the projector.

At our meeting on August 6th we shall hear about the "Tribes of Asia".



FREE PLAYSCHMES - COMSPORT

For 5 - 13 year olds
At the Playing Field

Monday 12th August 10am to 12 noon
Wednesday 21st August 10am to 12 noon

THANK YOU. The BVN is very grateful to the Braunston Angling Club who have provided the paper and printing of this edition. We also acknowledge an anonymous donation of £2. Help like this enables the BVN to continue to go out to every home in Braunston as a community news-sheet. Thanks to all our helpers too.

Don't forget the Village Fun Day on Sunday 1st September

Organised by the Braunston Village Playing Field Association