

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH The Rector, The Rev. W. Bevan Griffiths.
The Rectory, Braunston. (Tel. Rugby 890235).

SERVICES IN CHURCH

June 1st.	H.C. 8 a.m.,	Mattins 10 a.m.,	Sunday School 10.45 a.m.,	Evensong 6.30 p.m.
8th.	H.C. 8 a.m. & 10.30 a.m. (Family Communion),		Evensong 6.30 p.m.	
15th.	H.C. 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m.,	Sun. Sch. 10.45 a.m.,	Evensong 6.30 p.m.	
22nd.	H.C. 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m.,	Sun. Sch. 10.45 a.m.,	Evensong 6.30 p.m.	
29th.	H.C. 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m.,	Sun. Sch. 10.45 a.m.,	Evensong 6.30 p.m.	

The Rector appreciates the services of the Rev. Michael Dixon and the Rev. W.J.T. Oakley, of Flore, and former Rector of Tansor and Fotheringhay, on May 11th. To the children of all ages - what happened at Fotheringhay?

Confirmation Service at Barby on June 3rd at 7.30 p.m. The following are being confirmed from this Parish and your prayers are asked for them that they may be found faithful in their vows: Diane Beck, Dawn Berry, Hayley Bushill, Ann Clarke, Mandy Edwards and Jane Kitchener.

The Oken Singers gave us a splendid musical evening in Church on May 1st and we do appreciate their coming. It was a pleasure to find that many had travelled some distance in order to join with local residents on this occasion. Earlier, the Oken Singers had sung in Tewkesbury Abbey. We thank Mr. Michael McCarthy, J.P. for all the work on advertising and printing the programmes. We also thank the ladies who prepared the coffee.

Ascension Day. Braunston C. of E. School Service - We were pleased that almost the whole school attended their service in Church on May at 9.45 a.m. Many thanks to all who took part and did so well.

CAR TRANSPORT. June 1st. Mrs. Herne. June 8th. Mrs. Rees. June 15th. Mr. Woodall. June 22nd. Mr. V. Sanders. June 29th Mr. M. Rushin.

ALTAR FLOWERS.

June 1st.	Mrs. Warltier.	High Altar.	St. Giles.
8th.	Mrs. F. Cox.		
15th.	Mrs. F. Cox.		
22nd.	Mrs. P. Surman.		
29th.	Mrs. V.T. Hall.		

SIDESMEN 8 a.m.

June 1st.	Mr. M. Thompson.	Mr. E. Ryde.	Mr. J. Green/Mr. S. Berry.
8th.	Mr. L. Thompson.	Mr. D. Webb/Mr. Sigsworth.	Mr. J. Green/Mr. E. Clarke.
15th.	Mr. J. Williams (School Close)	Mr. J. Rowley.	Mr. W. Montgomery/Mr. B. Dawson.
22nd.	Mr. M. Bush.	Mr. T. E. Jones.	Mr. P. Green/Mr. W. E. Galloway.
29th.	Mr. J. W. Woodall.	Mr. F. Cox.	Mr. D. A. Gallie/Mr. W. Dorvard.

Mr. George Pace. We are sorry to hear that our Architect, Mr. George Pace, is a patient in York Hospital. We wish him a complete restoration of health. Having just seen his Memorial Chapel to the late King George VI in Windsor, we congratulate him on its wonderful simplicity, illustrating the character of our late King.

Cemetery. We would be pleased to have help in cutting the grass in the Cemetery and we wish to thank Mr. Peter Green and Mr. Jim Green for their work here. Our best wishes to those who are siting examinations in the near future.

BRAUNSTON METHODIST CHURCH

June 1st.	10.45 a.m.	6.15 p.m.
8th.	Rev. E. Kenworthy.	
15th.	Mrs. R. Jernyn.	
22nd.	Mr. J. Price.	
29th.	Rev. E. Holme.	
	Mrs. A.M. York.	

Braunston FRIENDLY CLUB

The next meeting will be on June 9th, when Mrs. K. Rushall will give a talk and demonstration on Flower Arrangements. Please remember that the Eyesham Outing has been arranged for Monday June 23rd and we hope everyone will enjoy this trip through the beautiful Cotswold country.

CHRISTIAN AID. A buffet Supper was held at the Mill House on Saturday May 1st. to raise money for Christian Aid. The Oken Singers were guests, and they entertained with more songs. Thanks to those who made gifts of food and wine, the services of many willing helpers, and generous support from those who bought tickets. A profit of £25 was sent to the Christian Aid Appeal Fund.

BRAUNSTON P.T.A. No waste paper collection will take place until further notice. An announcement will be made about re-commencement.

Both our recent events, a St. George's Dance on 25th April, and Treasure Hunt on 18th May was enjoyed by participants and contributed a little more to funds. We hope to collect contributions for the stalls for the Fete during the first ten days of June, particularly the 3rd and 4th June. If you have anything suitable for a Handicraft Stall, Cake Stall, White Elephant, Plants, Good-as-New, or Books and Toys, please keep for our collectors or contact Mrs. J. Rowers, 24 Church Road.

Please come to the Fete on June 14th and any offers of assistance will be most welcome.

BRAUNSTON YOUNG WIVES. We are pleased to be able to report the amount collected for Cancer Relief was £41.21 and not £14.21 as stated last month.

The talk on children 1-4 by Miss Bowles on May 8th was of great interest to our members. At next month's meeting we will have a cookery demonstration on "Starters and Deserts for Summer Menu's" at 7.45 p.m. 12th June at the Village Centre. On Wednesday 2nd July we hope to have a "car rally". This unfortunately must be restricted to members only. We should like to have some idea of members interested in participating - for further details contact Mrs. D. Moysey.

BRAUNSTON PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION. Thanks to the idea of Mr. John Keen, the following ladies took part in the Annual Weekly Express Ladies Run from Rugby to Daventry, Mesdames S. Cornes, M. Keen, J. Bowers, C. Congreve, S. Roberts, M. Armitage, C. Biddell, A. Cole, P. Jackson, Misses. D. & M. Blackledge, M. Harrison, N. Back, C. Tatman, B. Wilkie, M. Edwards, J. Kitchener. Due to their efforts the Association is now well over £150 better off. The Association would like to thank all those who took part, and their sponsors.

The next event will be a Dance and Social Evening on Saturday 21st June from 8 p.m. until 11.45 p.m. in the Village Centre. Tickets 90p. each including Buffet, are available from Committee Members.

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE GARDENS ASSOCIATION. The sale of fertilizers etc. from the Village Centre will finish on Sunday 15th June - Make sure you have everything you are likely to need. Don't forget the July Gardens Competition - half an hour or so spent daily in the garden now that the light evenings are with us, will give better results than you may realise.

BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE. The May meeting concerned for the most part the visit of a V.G.O. (Mrs. Trigger) who talked about the resolutions for the A.G.M. at the Albert Hall in June. Members are very busy practicing to entertain the Daventry Disabled Club, and also will stage a show for Ashby St. Ledgers W.I. in June. Our own meeting on June 3rd is members night, and the Committee will take a well earned rest.

VILLAGE NOTES. Each year in our neighbourhood, a number of grass snakes are killed by people who do not realise that they are quite harmless creatures. They are timid reptiles which live on slugs and other pests and so are useful in the garden. The only snake with a poisonous bite, resident in the British Isles, is the Adder. It bears a ziz-zag pattern along its back and a V mark on top of its head, and can be found on moorland. It is never seen in our neighbourhood. It too is extremely timid, and will scurry away rather than attack man unless it is cornered.

May we once again appeal for help in the TIDY VILLAGE COMPETITION by seeing that litter is placed in our rubbish bins and NOT on the Highway.

WILL ALL CONTRIBUTORS PLEASE NOTE that all articles for next month's edition must be in the Editor's hands by the 18th June.

*The Rectory,
Braunston,
Daventry,
Northants.*

May 1975.

Dear Parishioner,

You do not need us to tell you how costs have increased over the past few years or of how they are continuing to rise.

Just as these costs affect everyone of us, so they also affect your Parish Church and the Diocese as a whole. Our Church is one of outstanding beauty being one of the finest examples of Victorian Gothic architecture in England. You may not be aware that each parish has to contribute a Share, from which the salaries of the Clergy are drawn, grants to Training Colleges for Teachers and Clergy, Family and Social Welfare, etc.

Many of you expressed surprise when reading in a recent News Letter that the cost of heating the church is £600 a year. The Church itself and all its furniture and fittings have to be maintained, and also the Churchyard and Rectory, apart from our commitments to the Diocese. Last year, for the first time, our expenditure exceeded our income, and also, for the first time for many years, we are appealing directly to YOU for assistance in meeting these costs. The Parochial Church Council has studied ways in which it can put its own house in order, and also various ways of raising funds.

There are many who do not attend Church regularly, but who, nevertheless, do like to know that the Church and Clergy are there when you need them even if only for Weddings, Christenings and Burials.

If you feel you would like to help us by making a donation, however small, please complete the slip at the bottom of this letter and return to either the Rector or one of the Church Wardens. (5p. per week = £2.60 per annum, and this, given by say 100 parishioners, would realise a figure of £260 a year, which would help to maintain YOUR Church).

Your continued support of the Fete to be held on July 5th will be greatly appreciated.

Please do give this matter your earnest consideration, and don't throw the letter away as being "just another circular".

Yours Sincerely,

W. B. Griffiths.
Rector.

W. E. Calloway.
Church Warden,
Harrow Cottage,
High Street.

J. V. Sanders.
Church Warden,
30, Church Road.

I am interested in the welfare of the Church and would like to discuss this further and/or make a donation.

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