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BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH.

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The Rectory, Braunston (Tel. Rugby 890235).

SERVICES IN CHURCH.

- January 1. Holy Communion 9 a.m.
- " 2. (Christmas II) Holy Communion 8 a.m., Holy Communion at Onley 10 a.m.
NO Children's Service, Evensong 6.30 p.m.
- " 6. Feast of Epiphany - Holy Communion 7 p.m.
- " 9. Holy Communion 8 a.m., Family Communion 10.30 a.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m.
- " 16th) " " "
- 23rd) Holy Communion 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m., Sunday School 10.45 a.m.
- 30th) Evensong 6.30 p.m.

A FESTIVAL OF CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS. Once again the children of the Sunday School presented a Christmas Play on Sunday December 12th. They acted their parts so enthusiastically, and we must congratulate Miss Sheila Rowley for an excellent production and for her hard work and patience. Many thanks also to Mr. Hoyle and to Mr. Ernest Clarke for putting up the stage which entails much hard work.

MOTHERS' UNION. Meeting at the Rectory on January 6th at 2.30 p.m. The Speaker, the Rt. Rev. Guy Marshall, Assistant Bishop of Peterborough - former Bishop of Venezuela. Bishop Marshall served as Chaplain to the Missions to Seamen in Buenos Aires, and in Canada. He was Sub-Dean of the Cathedral in Buenos Aires. He is at present Rector of the Parish of Blakesley with Adstone.

The "Bring and Buy" Sale at the Rectory on December 3rd realised the sum of £21.65. Many thanks to all those who attended and helped.

ALL SAINTS' MEN'S FELLOWSHIP. The Meeting will be held at the Rectory on Tuesday, 11th January, at 8 p.m.

HOLY MATRIMONY. November 27th. Kelvin Raymond SKINNER and Jill Mary LANGMEAD Richard CLARKE and Christine Joyce LANGMEAD

It was a great pleasure to take part in this double Wedding on November 27th. We wish Kelvin and Jill, Richard and Christine, every happiness in their married lives. The last double Wedding was 15 years ago.

HOLY BAPTISM. December 5th. Rachel Louise HARRIS

FUNERAL SERVICE AND BURIAL. December 3rd. May Victoria PATEMAN, aged 79 years. We extend our sincerest sympathy to the Family on the sudden death of Mrs. Pateman. May the Souls of God's faithful servants Rest in Peace.

SIDEMENS ROTA 8 a.m. 9.30/10.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.

- Jan. 2. Mr. J.W.Woodall
- 9. Mr. L.Thompson. Mr. D. Webb. Mr. D.A.Gallie/Mr. J.Green.
- 16. Mr. J.Williams Mr. T.E.Jones. Mr. F. Cox/Mr. J.Rowley. Mr.K.B. Dawson/Mr. E.Clarke. (Ch.Rd)
- 23. Mr. W.Montgomery. Mr. M.Bush. Mr. D.Webb/Mr. W.E.Calloway.
- 30. Mr. S. Berry. Mr. E. Hyde. Mr. P.Green/Mr. D.A.Gallie.

ALTAR FLOWERS.

- Jan.9th & 16th. High Altar St. Giles.
- Jan.23rd & 30th. Mrs. Emyln Jones. Mrs. Owen Tucker.
- Mrs. F. Cox. Mrs. R. Arrowsmith.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL

BRAUNSTON METHODIST CHURCH

- January 2nd. 10.45 a.m. Mr. A. Kirkham.
- 9th. 10.45 a.m. Rev. J. Myer.
- 16th. 10.45 a.m. Mr. T. Gudgeon.
- 23rd. 10.45 a.m. Rev. J. Myer.
- 30th. 10.45 a.m. Mr. R. Hutchins.

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB. The Christmas Dinner was a most enjoyable festive occasion. Messrs. Johnson of Lutterworth gave their usual pleasant service with an excellent meal. The generous gift of wine and crackers from Bob and Pauline Gurney added to the enjoyment of the feast. Entertainment was provided by members of Failton W.I. and Mr. Walter Beckett with his Piano Accordion.

FRIENDLY CLUB (CONTINUED). Plants were presented (on behalf of members) by Mrs. Waterfield to Mrs. E. Hall, Mrs. H. Turner, Mrs. W. Beckett, and Mrs. M. McCarthy who help in the running of the Club, and thanks were also given to all the voluntary helpers who provide transport, serve teas, and entertain throughout the year. On Monday, 10th January - the Party at Ashby St. Ledgers, and on Monday, 24th Jan., Mrs. J. Reed will show films of the May Festival.

BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE. On December 7th - Open Meeting, the W.I. Singing Group together with friends, entertained with songs from three Decades - the audience joining in the choruses. A Square Dance was held in the Village Centre on Dec. 11th which was a great success. There will be no meeting in January - Next meeting on 1st Feb. will include a talk by Mr. O.A. Jones on the "Natural History in the Daventry Area"; illustrating his lecture with slides.

BRAUNSTON YOUNG WIVES. The January meeting will take the form of a Coffee Evening at 9, Greenway, on Thursday 11th January, at 8 p.m. Tickets are now available for our "Christmas" Party - a Barn Dance in the Village Centre on Feb. 5th - price £1.50. There will be a Tombola Stall at this event in aid of Imperial Cancer Research. Contributions for this stall will be most welcome and should be given to Mrs. J. Caunt, Fawcliff, Cross Lane.

BRAUNSTON JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB. The Club Committee wish to thank the Braunston F.C. Supporters Club for their generous gift of a new Football Strip. The Jumble Sale held on the 27th November raised £65.73. Many thanks.

BRAUNSTON PLAY GROUP. We would like to thank all those who helped to make our Christmas Coffee Morning such a success. We raised the sum of £36.85 and some of this we shall spend on a collection of records. The A.G.M. is to be held on Monday 24th January, 1977 in the Library, Village Centre, after which coffee and biscuits will be served.

VILLAGE NOTES. In winter, one of the problems is to keep warm - especially for the elderly, whose blood circulation has become less active than it was in their youth. Bodily warmth depends as much on the food we eat as on our heating system. A balanced diet and exercise for the young provide the warmth, but exercise is not so easy for the older generation. As good neighbours we try to give that little extra care to the less active residents in the village. The animal kingdom copes in various ways with generating and preserving heat. Earthworms burrow more deeply to avoid extreme cold of the few top inches of soil. Many adult insects die in the autumn, leaving chrysalids to hatch out in the spring. Among the wasps and bees, only egg laying females survive in a torpor until spring.

Occasionally, hibernating Red Admiral, Peacock and Tortoiseshell butterflies can be found in a dry shed. A mild spell in January may sometimes tempt them into the open air - often with fatal results.

Roads hide away in crevices of walls and rocks, while frogs winter in ponds. Warm blooded animals like the dormouse and the red squirrel feed well in the autumn to develop a layer of fat, then, tucking themselves up for the winter, stop their bodily activity to slow down their consumption of food reserve. They can be said to be "just living" and a sudden awakening can kill them.

Birds may choose a warmer climate, but those like the robin, who stay in England, have the most effective insulation against heat loss. Their very plump appearance is due to the fluffing out of their feathers. To keep warm all they need is a supply of food.

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