

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH. The Rector, The Rev. W. Bevan Griffiths,
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SERVICES IN CHURCH

February 5th. Holy Communion 8 a.m., Mattins 10 a.m., Sunday School 10.45 a.m.,
Evensong 6.30 p.m.
" 12th. H.C. 8 a.m., Family Communion 10.30 a.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m.
" 19th. H.C. 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m., Sunday School 10.45 a.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m.
" 26th. H.C. 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m., Sunday School 10.45 a.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m.

February 8th. ASH WEDNESDAY - Holy Communion 7 p.m.
February 16th and 23rd - Holy Communion 7 p.m.

It seems strange to report events that happened before Christmas in the February News Letter. The service of Nine Lessons and Carols was very well attended, and we thank the readers. The Warwick Singers once again gave us a musical treat. We are very grateful to Mr. Hillyer and his Choir. Many thanks too to Mr. M. McCarthy for his labours. It is good also to report that members of our Choir who went out Carol Singing, and collected £3.60 for the Church. The Christmas Services were well attended, and once more we thank the Rev. Michael Dixon for his help.

THE ELECTORAL ROLL. Instructions have been received that All Saints Church, Braunston, Electoral Roll should be revised in February 1978 and the Roll presented to the Annual General Meeting. If you wish to be on that Roll please ask for a form from Miss Sheila Rowley, Archer Avenue, Braunston, or take a form from the table near the Church door.

THE DIOCESAN BUDGET. The Chairman of the Board of Finance for the Diocese of Peterborough says that the increase in the 1978 Budget compared with 1977 was approximately 15½%. He also pointed out that by the end of 1978 the Diocese could well have exhausted its reserves and that 1977 was therefore subsidising 1978. The Quota for our Parish for 1978 is £1,086. The Churchwardens, Members of the Parochial Church Council and the Stewardship Committee are asking for your support to fulfil our obligations. It means the support of those who attend Church Services, and also those who don't, to keep the parochial system going.

THANKS. For gifts towards the cost of this News Sheet - 50p. from a lady, and £1 from a newcomer to the Village - Both wish to remain anonymous.

BRAUNSTON MOTHERS' UNION. The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will be on 2nd February, at 2.30 p.m. in the Rectory.

BRAUNSTON CHURCHMENS FELLOWSHIP. The next meeting will be held in the Rectory on Tuesday, 28th February, at 8 p.m.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES will begin on Thursday, February 2nd, at 6 p.m. in Church.

HOLY BAPTISM.

January 8th. Jeremy Lloyd ARMITAGE
January 8th. Carl Stephen HAMBRIDGE

FUNERAL SERVICE AND BURIAL.

December 16th. Christiana Darlow RUSSELL
January 21st. Alfred Henry CLEGG.

We extend our sympathy to Mr. John Russell on the death of Mrs. Russell, and to Mrs. Clegg, Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Clegg, and Mr. & Mrs. G. Byerley on the death of Mr. Clegg.

SIDESMENS' ROTA

February 5th.	8 a.m.	9.30/10/10.30 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
"	Mr. J.W. Woodall.	Mr. T.E. Jones.	Mr. E. Clarke/Mr. P. Green.
"	Mr. L. Thompson.	Mr. P. Surman.	Mr. F. Cox/Mr. S. Berry.
"	Mr. D.A. Gallie.	Mr. E. Hyde.	Mr. B. Dawson/Mr. M. Bush.
"	Mr. W. Montgomery.	Mr. J. Rowley.	Mr. J. Green/Mr. C. White.

BRAUNSTON METHODIST CHURCH

February 5th.	10.45 a.m.	Mr. W.H. Cheshire.
12th.	10.45 a.m.	Mrs. C.S. Smith.
19th.	10.45 a.m.	Dr. R. Randall, B.Sc.
26th.	10.45 a.m.	Rev. J. Myer.

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB

We express our thanks to the Young Wives for £16.68 - proceeds from their Carol Singing, to Mrs. Joan Turner - £10 for Raffle - to Mr. C. Alderson Smith £5., to Mrs. Coles and Mrs. Gurney's Coffee Morning proceeds. We were able to take 56 members to the Pantomime at Coventry. We also wish to acknowledge in our February issue the kindness of those who made our Christmas Dinner on December 13th such a success - the January Issue went to press too early for this acknowledgment. We are grateful to the caterers for an excellent meal, to Mr. & Mrs. Gurney for the wine, and to Mrs. Wootton, who provided an original and fascinating musical entertainment afterwards. Meetings in February: February 13th - Claremont Singers from Rugby. February 27th - Northants. Churches.

BRAUNSTON THEATRE CLUB The next visit will be to see Harold Pinter's "Old Times" at Warwick University Arts Theatre, 7.30 p.m. on Monday, 6th February. Please let Mr. Herne know if you wish to come, not later than 1st February (Rugby 890130).

BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE. The Square Dance held on the 14th January was a great success. Everyone joined in with enthusiasm, and in spite of aching limbs the following day we are all looking forward to the next time. Our next meeting on February 7th will have local interest when Mr. Barney will talk on Canals and Boats in Braunston. Do come along (7.30 p.m.)

BRAUNSTON PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION. A final reminder that the A.G.M. will be on Monday, 6th February. Everyone is welcome to come along to the Village Centre at 8.00 p.m.

BRAUNSTON YOUNG WIVES. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 14th February, in the Library, and will be a talk on Nigeria by Mrs. Dexter. Members and visitors welcome.

VILLAGE NOTES. The smallest bird native to the British Isles is the Gold Crest Wren, the next the Firecrest. Both of these are fairly rare.

The next in this order is the Jenny Wren which is often seen in hedgerows and gardens in our neighbourhood. It can be found in every part of Britain where it may find a suitable habitat. The angle at which its tail is cocked up gives it a jaunty air as it hops through bushes and the undergrowth. It has two distinctly different calls - one like ch-rrr-rrr sounding angry - the other a very sweet singing note - much louder than we could normally expect from so tiny a songster. The nest seems absurdly small for its brood, but I suppose the wren knows its own business best.

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