

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

April 2nd. Holy Communion 8 a.m., Mattins 10 a.m., NO SUNDAY SCHOOL, Evensong 6.30 p.m.  
" 9th. Holy Communion 8 a.m., Family Communion 10.30 a.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m.  
" 16th. Holy Communion 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m., Sun.Sch.10.45 a.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m.  
" 23rd. Holy Communion 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m., Sun.Sch.10.45 a.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m.  
" 30th. Holy Communion 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m., Sun.Sch.10.45 a.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m.

May the Joy of Easter be yours through the year. The former Archbishop Dr. Michael Ramsey wrote of Easter - "The tomb, the Appearances, the conversation of Jesus, the scriptures - all these had their place in leading the Apostles through fear to wonder, through wonder to faith, and through faith to worship, for their belief included not only a conviction that a certain event had happened, but faith in the God who wrought it and in the Crucified Jesus whom it vindicated".

MOTHERS' UNION. We wish to thank the Rev. J.W.A. Favell, Chaplain of the Northants. Mission to the Deaf, for his very interesting talk on Deafness and its problems. Mr. Favell is himself completely deaf. Please remember in your prayers this Mission.

HOLY BAPTISM.

February 26th. Amanda Jane GRAHAM  
March 5th. Victoria Emma NODEN  
March 5th. Emma Louise NODEN

SIDESMENS ROTA 8 a.m. 9.30/10/10.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.

April 2nd. Mr. J.W.Woodall. Mr. T.E. Jones. Mr. D.A.Gallie/Mr. E. Clarke.  
9th. Mr. L.Thompson. Mr. P.Surman. Mr. F.Cox/Mr. J.Rowley.  
16th. Mr. D.A.Gallie Mr. E. Hyde. Mr. J.Green/Mr. P. Green.  
23rd. Mr. M. Bush. Mr. J. Rowley. Mr. B. Dawson/Mr. C.Malthouse.  
30th. Mr. W. Montgomery. Mr. D.A. Gallie. Mr. S. Berry/Mr. J.W.Woodall.

ALTAR FLOWERS.

April 9th & 16th. Mrs. V. Sanders. High Altar St. Giles.  
" 23rd & 30th. Mrs. J.W. Woodall. Mrs. C. White.  
Mrs. M. Bush.

At the Vestry Meeting held in Church on March 14th, Mr. Peter Green was appointed Rector's Warden and Mr. B. Dawson was appointed People's Warden. Mr. W. Woodall and Mr. F. Cox as deputy Wardens.

At the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, Miss Sheila Rowley reported that there were 93 forms returned on the Roll. Miss Rowley was thanked for her hard work. More forms are still outstanding - please send them in. Mrs. Woodall (Secretary) gave her report and she was thanked for the able way in which she had performed her duties. The Treasurer's report was presented by the Rector, who thanked Mr. J.V. Sanders for acting as Treasurer for so many years and the able way he enjoyed doing it. The Rector and the Annual Meeting sent their very best wishes to Mr. Sanders in his illness. The Rector also thanked Miss Aileen Thompson for the very efficient manner in which she had audited the Accounts. The Rector, in his report, thanked all who had worked for All Saints Church during the past year. The Parochial Church Council was appointed and the Sidesmen re-elected.

FUNERAL SERVICE AND BURIAL.

February 27th. Sarah Ann HUMPHRIES, aged 92 years.  
We offer to Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Brown and Mr. & Mrs. Richard Humphries and Family our sympathy on the death of their Mother and Grandmother. Once again, we thank the Family for the great care of their Mother.  
May the Souls of God's faithful Servants Rest in Peace.

BRAUNSTON METHODIST CHURCH

April 2nd. 10.45 a.m. Rev. J. Myer.  
" 9th. 10.45 a.m. Mr. H.C. Burford.  
" 16th. 10.45 a.m. Mrs. K. Spencer.  
" 23rd. 10.45 a.m. Mrs. Randall.  
" 30th. 10.45 a.m. Mr. P.N. Wilson.  
" 30th. 3.00 p.m. Special Service of Thanksgiving for 180 years of worship and witness. Preacher Rev. Harold Ward (Supt. Minister of Rugby and Daventry Methodist Circuit).

BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE. We had a very good attendance for our March meeting, when members listened with great interest to a talk on Acupuncture by Mr. Michael Thompson of Northampton. On Saturday, 18th March we held a Coffee Morning with a Bring and Buy stall in aid of Cancer Research. (The result will be announced in our next issue).

At our meeting on 4th April a representative from Geoff Amos Coaches will show slides of Tours which will include Scotland. New members will be very welcome.

BRAUNSTON YOUNG WIVES. Our last meeting was well attended, and we heard a talk on the preservation of flowers by Mrs. Barnsley. On Tuesday, 11th April, Mr. Hutchison of Daventry Council, will give a talk on "Rates" in the Village Library, at 7.45 p.m.

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE GARDENS ASSOCIATION. Fertiliser sales are now in full swing every Sunday morning at the Village Centre from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. Judging for the best kept Front Gardens will take place in early July. It has been decided that the Annual Flower Show will be held on September 16th, and we hope that local organisations will, as in the past, support this event. The committee are already making plans for the show and it is intended that there will be a Punch and Judy Show as well as the usual attractions, train rides for the children and a display of Morris Dancing.

BRAUNSTON THEATRE GROUP. The next visit will be to Northampton Theatre to see "Jane Eyre" - a new dramatisation, by Lionel Hamilton, at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 11th April. If you wish to come, please ring Mr. Herne (Rugby 890130) on Wednesday, 5th April.

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB. On March 11th Mrs. Duggan showed slides of her holiday touring Franch by bicycle far away from the tourist centres. Members were surprised and thrilled when she also included slides taken at the Christmas Dinner.

The next meeting will be on April 3rd when we shall have the pleasure of Mrs. Wootten and friends in a musical entertainment. The Coffee Morning, held on March 7th succeeded in raising the sum of £21.

VILLAGE NOTES. At the February meeting of the Parish Council it was decided that we would take part in the Tidy Village Competition in which ALL are asked to KEEP THE VILLAGE TIDY. At the March meeting our name was entered in the "BRITAIN IN BLOOM" competition. All whose gardens are open to public display are asked to make a special effort so that the Village will be gay with flowers. One of the fascinating features of a Nature Reserve is the way in which animals and plants preserve a balance - the animals using plants for food and the plants in turn using for their sustenance discarded animal matter. Smaller animals may provide meals for flesh eating birds or mammals but some die in other ways - accident or old age. Yet we seldom see their bodies on the surface. They are interred by Burying Beetles. Nature's undertakers remove soil from beneath the corpse until it reaches a certain depth, and then cover it. This is not done out of respect for the deceased but to provide food for the larvae hatched from eggs laid in the body. Ultimately the corpse is rendered usable by plants, and the circle of life continues.

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