

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, BRAUNSTON.

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SERVICES IN CHURCH

December 3rd Holy Communion 8 a.m., Mattins 10 a.m., Sunday School 10.45 a.m.,
Evensong 6.30 p.m.
" 10th Holy Communion 8 a.m., Family Communion 10.30 a.m., CAROLS & NINE
LESSONS 6.30 p.m.
" 17th H.C., 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m., Sunday School 10.45 a.m., SUNDAY SCHOOL
CHILDRENS' PLAY at 6.15 p.m.
CHRISTMAS EVE (24th) Holy Communion 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m., NO SUNDAY SCHOOL AND NO
EVENSONG, Holy Communion 11.30 p.m.
CHRISTMAS DAY Holy Communion 8 a.m., Family Communion 10.30 a.m.
December 31st Holy Communion 8 a.m., NO SERVICE 9.30 a.m. - Onley 10 a.m.
No Sunday School, Evensong 6.30 p.m.

The Church will be decorated for Christmas at 10 a.m. on Friday, 23rd December.
Please note - Carols and Nine Lessons on Sunday, 10th December.

Sunday School Christmas Play - 1978 - December 17th at 6.15 p.m.
This is entitled "The Wood Speaks". It was chosen and produced by the young people
themselves, and we hope that you will make every effort to encourage and support them.
Will you endeavour to make Christmas a spiritual reality in your lives. We have our
gifts because Christ came to the world to show man how to live to the full. The Bishop
of Peterborough says - "The wonder grows that it is not so much a matter of what he did
and said all those years ago, but of what he says and does NOW amongst us and within us".
Jesus became man and dwelt amongst us and for this we give praise and glory to God.
The Rector and Mrs. Griffiths wish you all a holy and happy Christmas tide.

Braunston Branch of the Royal British Legion held its service of Remembrance on Sunday,
12th November. We were pleased to see so many in Church. The collection of £21.60
was given to the Earl Haigh Poppy Fund.

THANKS. Many thanks to the Dancing Club for the gift of £10 towards the cost of this
Village News Sheet. It costs about £2.50 per month to produce. We are indebted to
Mrs. Noble, Mrs. Jean Woodall, Mr. & Mrs. D.A. Gallie, Mrs. John Cole, Mrs. Colin White,
Miss Kin Furness, Timothy Long, Mrs. Cliff Adams, Miss Helen Langmead, and Mr. John
Read and others, who assist in the production and delivery of our popular News Sheet.

MOTHERS' UNION. BRING AND BUY SALE. In aid of Family & Social Welfare, Thursday,
7th December, at the Rectory. This Annual Bring and Buy Sale will be held at the Rectory
at 3 p.m. on Thursday, 7th December. Please make every effort to attend - All will be
welcome.

CHURCHMENS' GUILD . The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 12th December at the Rectory
at 8 p.m.

THANKS - CHURCHYARD. Very many thanks to all who have helped this year to keep our
Churchyard in such good order. We can thank Messrs. Peter Green, Jim Green, Bob Stokes,
Walter Childs, William Davies, and others for their labours. It is now beginning to
look really cared for. During the next year we hope more work will be done.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Christmas Day and
December 31st.

High Altar

Lady McGowan

St. Giles

Mrs. B. Dawson.

SIDESMENS' ROTA.

December 3rd	8 a.m.	9.30/10/10.30 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
10th	Mr. J. W. Woodall	Mr. T. E. Jones	Mr. E. Clarke/Mr. J. Rowley
17th	Mr. L. Thompson	Mr. P. Surman	Mr. J. Green/Mr. F. Cox
24th	Mr. F. Cox	Mr. D. A. Gallie	Mr. C. Malthouse/Mr. C. White.
	Mr. S. Berry	Mr. E. Hyde	11.30 p.m. Mr. P. Green/ Mr. K. Dawson/Mr. E. Clarke.
25th	Mr. J. W. Woodall	Mr. T. E. Jones	---
31st	Mr. W. Montgomery	Mr. J. Rowley	Mr. M. Bush/Mr. D. A. Gallie

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB. We hope you will all support us at our Afternoon Tea and Mince Pies on Tuesday, December 5th at the Village Centre - 2.30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
The Christmas Lunch is on Thursday, December 14th. Please be there at 12.30 p.m. for 12.45 p.m. start. Mr. A. Robinson gave us his usual excellent show of slides of flowers and beautiful scenery on Monday, 13th November.

BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE. Music, magic and Marilyn made our Harvest Supper Evening a most enjoyable occasion. Our thanks to all the entertainers. Have you ever thought of collecting Post Cards? Mr. Sutton showed us what a satisfying hobby it can be when he explained the history behind his own wonderful collection. We will be taken over by the Police on Tuesday 5th December, when members of the Rugby Force and friends give us a preview of their annual Concert. Our meeting starts at 7.30 p.m., the concert approximately 8 p.m. Villagers are welcome to come along - Admissison charge of 20p. includes coffee and a mince pie.

BRAUNSTON. C. OF E. SCHOOL. Mrs. Davies at Braunston School is always pleased to receive used postage stamps which she sends to help the work in Education in Lesotho - so please DO NOT throw away your Christmas stamps.

BRAUNSTON YOUNG WIVES. We had a most enjoyable October meeting with a Fashion Show by Dorothy Perkins, and we raised £27.78 for the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association. We are organising an open meeting on Tuesday, 5th December, at Braunston C. of E. School on the subject of Breast-self-examination, with a talk and slides by Mrs. K. Williams (Health Visitor).

Our annual Carol Singing round the village will take place on Tuesday, 19th December, starting 6.30 p.m. at Greenway - proceeds in aid of the elderly household of the village.
The Northampton Branch of the LEUKEMIA RESEARCH FUND would like to thank all who contributed to the recent fund raising efforts in the Village. The house to house collection raised £71.05 and a tea organised by the Friendly Club £34.50. Together with sales of Christmas Cards and donations the total given to the Association was £125.86.

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE GARDENS ASSOCIATION. The County Council Planning Department recently delivered 16 young trees to Braunston. The Parish Council, in consultation with some members of the committee of the Gardens Association, decided on the sites for these trees. They were also asked to organise the planting, which they duly did one weekend in the middle of November. All these are forest trees, and will still be growing in 100-200 years' time, adding character and beauty to the Village. It is therefore of the utmost importance that they are not molested or vandalised in any way. If such a tree has been planted near you please keep an eye on it and report immediately any sign of damage or ill-health. The committee are waiting to hear from those people who applied for a grant towards planting a tree on their own property. As soon as it is planted, please contact Mr. Cole (The Old Harrow, High St. - Tel 891060) or Mr. Dibben, (32 Church Road, Tel. 890515) so that it can be inspected and the grant paid.

VILLAGE NOTES. At the November meeting of the Parish Council, attention was drawn to the danger of leaving cars parked after dark on the wrong side of the road, or facing the wrong direction. This can cause accidents and motorists are asked to avoid this mistake.

The Canal Cruising Season is now almost over for this year. Visitors from America, Germany, Sweden and other countries have remarked on our good fortune in having such a pleasant village in which to live - We should be proud and careful to keep it so, and to improve it. New trees have been planted by the Gardens Association and these should be carefully tended. Also our spring flowers for which gardeners are now planting bulbs etc. should further enhance our prospects.
Wagtails of different varieties appear to be moving away from the water and nearer to the houses as winter approaches. They are amusing creatures, trotting fussily over the ground at a rapid pace. Their undulating flight is characteristic and their tail is longer than that of any other bird of similar size. They stand flicking the tail up and down thus gain their name - Wagtail.

ITEMS FOR THE JANUARY ISSUE MUST BE HANDED TO THE EDITOR ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 14th, 1978.