

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH

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CHURCH SERVICES

January 4th 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10.30 a.m. Family Service, 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer.  
" 11th, 18th 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion, 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer.

The coming of January, bringing with it a change in the years, reminds us that we are surrounded by change. To some it may all seem very unsettling, to others a constant challenge to show that we are alive to meet new opportunities. The last six months in the Church have shown a willingness on the part of many to try new ideas and approach things differently. But, at the end of the day the only change that really matters is that together we are "changed into Jesus' likeness". (2 Corinthians 3 v 18). May the coming New Year see more of the change taking place in all of us.

ALTAR FLOWERS.

	High Altar	St. Ciles.
January 4th	Mrs. T.E Jones	Mrs. O.R. Tucker.
11th	Mrs. T.E. Jones	Mrs. O.R. Tucker
18th	Miss Chamberlain	Mrs. Turner
25th	Miss Chamberlain	Mrs. Turner

SIDESMENS' ROTA

January 4th	8 a.m.	10.30 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
	Mr. W. Woodall	{ Mr. P. Surman	Mr. J. Green
		{ Mr. G. Bayley	
January 11th	Mr. L. Thompson	Mr. T.E. Jones	Mr. E. Clarke
18th	Mr. F. Cox	Mr. G. Bayley	Mr. K. B. Dawson
25th	Mr. W. Montgomery	Mr. E. Hyde	Mr. J. Rowley.

FUNERAL. December 5th. Mrs. G.A. Reed.

We send our deepest sympathy to John and Joan Reed and their family at this time of their sad loss.

CHRISTMAS EVENTS. The Christmas Bazaar gave many of us a most enjoyable evening, not least in providing some excellent Christmas presents. Thank you all, who by hard work and generosity raised £320 for Church funds. Thanks too to the Daventry Silver Band for giving a very seasonable and delightful Christmas Concert in the Church.

BRAUNSTON MOTHERS' UNION. The December Bring and Buy Sale realised £22.61. Many thanks to all who gave so freely. On 8th January the Rector will speak to the ladies at their monthly meeting at the Rectory - 2.30 p.m.

ALTERNATIVE SERVICE BOOK. Copies of this new Prayer Book, that we begin to use this month, are selling well. The printers have already had to re-print, just one month after publication! The Church, as mentioned in November, is trying to encourage people to buy their own copy, with a 22% discount for incentive.

We are especially grateful to Mr. John Boddy for kindly giving a bookcase, which is being used to store the new books in the Church.

BOOKSTALL. Every Sunday morning, and on other special occasions, there will be a bookstall at the back of the Church. Bibles, cards, books and other stationery may be bought or ordered from Mrs. Bayley or Mrs. Herne.

THANKS. May we thank the Braunston Womens Institute for a generous gift of £5 towards the expenses of the production of Braunston Village News.

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB.

Arrangements for January are as follows:

Monday January 12th. We visit Ashby St. Ledgers for tea and entertainment.  
The coach will leave The Green at 2.15 p.m.  
Monday January 26th. Mr. L. Coling of Grandborough will show a Cine film taken when he was on a weather ship in the Antarctic.

BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE. It's the rare occasion when you see your buffet supper prepared for eating. That was our treat at the December meeting when we celebrated the 60th anniversary since the formation of the Braunston W.I. Mrs. Giles did a first class job of preparing the supper, and members an even better (if possible) job of consuming the "goodies". Our President (Mrs. Joan Wootten) was assisted in cutting the cake by founder member Mrs. Manning and former President Mrs. Hyde. Victory of the Darts team against East Haddon, but they lost against Lilbourne. No meeting in January, but we meet on 3rd February to hear Mrs. Bowers talk on Home Nursing.

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE GARDENERS ASSOCIATION. The Association has donated £25 to the Scouts, Guides, Brownies and Cubs towards the repair and maintenance of the Den. This is part of the profit made at the Annual Village Show, held last September. The remainder of the money will be used to replace rose bushes in the Village rose beds.

BRAUNSTON PLAY GROUP. We would like to thank everyone who helped to make our Christmas Coffee Morning so successful. We raised approximately £100. This money will be used to purchase new equipment and to replace that which is worn out. We also hope to send a donation to the Blue Peter Appeal.

BRAUNSTON EVENING CLASSES. Evening classes in Braunston have been very well supported during the Autumn term, with the highest enrolment figures yet. We hope that classes in the New Year will be as successful. Classes will begin on 12th January 1981 except for the weaving class which will commence on 5th January.

Monday	-	Dressmaking	7.15 - 9.15 p.m.	Village Hall
	-	Weaving	7.30 - 9.30 p.m.	Library
Tuesday	-	Yoga	8.00 - 9.30 p.m.	School
Wednesday	-	Corndollies	7.45 - 9.15 p.m.	Library
	-	History of Braunston	8.00 - 9.30 p.m.	School
	-	Keep Fit	8.00 - 9.00 p.m.	School
Thursday	-	Crochet/Tatting/Macrame	7.30 - 9.30 p.m.	Library
	-	Light Crafts	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.	Village Hall

Enrolment will be at the first meeting.

Enquiries about the above courses to Mrs. Shirley Grant (890763) or Mrs. Janet McCarthy (890336)

VILLAGE NEWS SHEET. May we have a volunteer residing in the New Greenway area who would be willing to deliver the News Sheet in their area. Please apply to the Editor.

VILLAGE NOTES. One of the most colourful of our local birds is the green Woodpecker, with a bright red crown, a green body, and a yellow rump. It is more often seen than heard, giving a cry almost like a laugh. Many observers, on seeing this bird, believe it to be a foreign visitor which has escaped from an aviary. In the summer it usually haunts woodlands, where it hunts insects. During this process the bird makes a noise resembling a pneumatic hammer on wood. At this time of the year it will leave its woodland haunts to seek insects like ants in field or garden.

Its feet are peculiar - each foot has four toes, two of which point forward and the others backward, enabling the bird to grip bark or the crevices of trees in search of insects. Its stumpy tail is used as the third leg of a tripod, helping the owner to sit in comfort while clinging to a vertical tree trunk.

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