

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH

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CHURCH SERVICES

April 4th 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10.30 a.m. Parade Service, 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer,
Palm Sunday.
April 6th (Maundy Thursday). Holy Communion 8 p.m.
9th Good Friday (see below).
11th Easter Sunday. 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10.30 a.m. Family Communion,
18th 6.30 p.m. (see posters in the Village for further details).
25th 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10.30 a.m., Parish Communion,
6.30 p.m. Evening prayer.
8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion,
6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer.

"The crucifixion was the worst thing that was every done, yet it was the best thing that ever happened". (Archbishop William Temple). May the joy and reality of Easter be yours this April, not only as we remember Jesus' death on the cross but especially as we rejoice at his risen life.

SIDEBENEFITS' ROTA

	8 a.m.	10.30 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
April 4th	Mr. W. Woodall	Mr. G. Bayley/Mr. C. Dunn	Mr. F. Cox/Mr. D. Gallie
11th	Mr. L. Thompson	Mr. B. Dawson/Mr. D. Foulkes	Mr. E. Clarke/Mr. J. Green
18th	Mr. F. Cox	Mr. P. Surman/Mr. E. Jones	Mr. P. Green/Mr. J. Rowley
25th	Mr. W. Montgomery	Mr. E. Hyde/Mr. G. Bayley	Mr. D. Foulkes/Mr. W. Woodall.

ALTAR FLOWERS

High Altar St. Giles

April 4th	Lady McGowan	Mrs. B. Dawson
11th (Easter)	Mrs. J.W. Woodall	Mrs. P. Hick
18th	Mrs. J.W. Woodall	Mrs. P. Hick
25th		

FUNERALS

Jesus said: "I am the Resurrection and the Life".

March 3rd	Mrs. Sarah (Sally) SHEPHERD
4th	Mrs. Edith MUDDIMAN
8th	Mr. William MEACHAM
19th	Mrs. May DODD

We send our love and deepest sympathy to all who have been bereaved over recent weeks.

SPECIAL EVENTS. As last year, we shall distribute Palm Crosses on 4th April (Palm Sunday). Come and collect yours! Instead of the usual Good Friday Service in Church, the Rector extends an invitation to everyone to listen to a performance of the Bach St. Matthew Passion at the Rectory on 9th April, beginning at 7 p.m. There will be a break half way through the evening for coffee and refreshments.

We look forward to the visit of the Daventry Folk Choir during the month - look out for posters that will give further details.

BRAUNSTON MOTHERS' UNION On Thursday, 1st April, our speaker really will be the Rev. John Myer, who will talk on this year's theme: "Increase your Faith". All ladies are welcome at the Rectory at 2.30 p.m.

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB. The talk given by Dr. Mackichan was both interesting and humorous. Everyone enjoyed listening to him and we look forward to his next visit. There will be no meeting on April 12th, as this is Easter Monday. On Monday, 26th April, Mr. H. Shatford of Rugby will entertain us with his singing.

BRAUNSTON WOMENS' INSTITUTE No Knitting Machines in March - Instead we continued our travels with Irene Wilburn. This time - Africa - across the Sahara Desert - A most fascinating story. At our April meeting (6th April) we hope to meet Mrs. Barnes who will tell us about Dr. Bernados Homes. Do come along - it should be an interesting meeting.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND CHILDRENS SOCIETY. As a result of the Musical Evening held at the Will House on 5th March, a cheque for £60 was sent to the Society. Very many thanks to all who contributed: the musicians, those who bought tickets or gave donations, and the girls who helped with the chores etc. Audrey Herne.

BRAUNSTON PARISH COUNCIL. ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTORS. Don't forget to attend your Annual Parish Meeting of Electors at the Village Centre on **MONDAY, 5TH APRIL**, at 8 p.m. The Parish Council wishes to engage the services of a part time road cleaner (10 hours per week) at £1.60 per hour from April to September. Applications to G.E. Green, 10 Worth Close, Braunston (Tel. Rugby 890057).

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE CENTRE The next meeting will be held on Monday, 26th April, at 8 p.m. Will all Organisations please send a representative as this meeting is the last one before the A.G.M.

BRAUNSTON C. OF E. SCHOOL. SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND. Thank you most sincerely for the overwhelming response as the result of our appeal for knitted and crocheted squares to make blankets. We do appreciate everyone's help. Eighteen blankets will be on display at the End of Term Service on 2nd April at 2 p.m. A representative from the Save the Children Fund will talk to us all, at School, and accept our gifts. Anyone who would like to attend this service will be very welcome.

BRAUNSTON JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB. Next Season, the Club plans to run five sides - for U-10's, 11's, 12's, 13's and 15's. In order to do this, we would like every youngster in the Village interested in football to participate. Newcomers to the Village may not know that there is a flourishing Junior Football Club. Funds are now being raised for a trip next Easter, and a Presentation Night at the end of the season. This Season the children have already had a Christmas Party and a recent trip to Wotton Forest Club. Anyone interested in playing for one of these sides next Season or in helping the Club raise funds, please contact Mr. D.J. Thomas, 21 School Close, Braunston. (Tel. Rugby 890095).

TREATS ON HERBS SERVICE For the frail elderly, the housebound, those who are in poor health, or convalescent. If you would like to use this service, or know of anyone who would benefit, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Janet McCarthy, The Old Forge, 19 High Street. (Tel. Rugby 890336).

VILLAGE NOTES Newspaper articles showing some interest in Nature Study generally mention the dawn chorus of the birds - one of the most attractive features of our English Spring, but another less conspicuous feature is the reawakening of life in the plant world. Although the last winter has been very harsh our Climate in January and February is mild compared with conditions on the continent of Europe. The earliest flowers to appear are the snowdrops, winter aconite, followed close behind by those two garden weeds groundsel and chickweed. Ladies interested in flower arrangement may not easily recognise as flowers those of the hazel, alder, poplar and birch - the catkins known to children as lambs tails. These are the staminate flowers which when stirred in the breeze release masses of pollen to fertilize the pistillate catkins, which in the case of the hazel are rather like leaf buds with four or five bright red three-lobed pistils protruding from the top. At the time when the pollen is ready for distribution, a flick of the finger on the catkin will release a small yellow cloud. The staminate flowers of conifers - especially those of the Cedar of Lebanon, will produce an even more massive cloud. Wind distribution of pollen is extremely wasteful and so the plant produces huge masses of pollen grains though only a small number will succeed in fertilizing to produce a seed.

SPECIAL NOTICE Contributors please note that material for the MAY Issue must be sent ON OR BEFORE 21ST APRIL, to F H E R E C T O R, at The Rectory, Braunston

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