

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH.

The Rector - The Rev. M.W. Hunnybun,
The Rectory, Braunston. (Tel. Rugby 890235)

February 7th } 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10.30 a.m. Parade Service, 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer.
" 14th } 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion,
21st & 28th } 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer.

ALTAR FLOWERS

February 7th
14th
21st
28th

High Altar

Miss Davidson
Mrs. Streeton
Mrs. D. Turner
Mrs. D. Turner

St. Giles.

Mrs. Gallie
Mrs. Nurse
Mrs. D. Webb
Mrs. D. Webb

SIDESWEN'S ROTA

8 a.m.

10.30 a.m.

6.30 p.m.

February 7th Mr. W. Woodall Mr. G. Bayley/Mr. C. Dunn Mr. F. Cox/Mr. D. Gallie
14th Mr. L. Thompson Mr. B. Dawson/Mr. E. Hyde Mr. E. Clarke/Mr. J. Green
21st Mr. D. Gallie Mr. P. Surman/Mr. E. Jones Mr. B. Dawson/Mr. J. Rowley
28th Mr. W. Montgomery Mr. D. Foulkes/Mr. G. Bayley Mr. P. Green/Mr. W. Woodall.

FUNERAL

January 18th Mrs. Alice Payne.

Undoubtedly the longest lived member of the village, Mrs. Payne will be greatly missed by those who knew her, and we send our love and sympathy to all members of her family. Donations in her memory were sent to Danetre Hospital.

CONFIRMATION. Classes, in preparation for the Confirmation service, are to be held on Fridays at the Rectory, starting on February 5th at 8 p.m.

DIARY DATES FOR 1982.

July 3rd. Church Fete in the Rectory Garden.

October 3rd Harvest Festival

" 4th Harvest Supper, this year to be held in the Village Centre.

" 30th/31st All Saints Birthday Weekend.

December 3rd Church Christmas Fayre.

On the weekend of June 19/20th we will hold a Flower Festival in the Church. Would anyone who would be willing to help please contact Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Thompson or the Rector.

These are just some of the events planned for the year. As usual we trust that the dates do not clash with other events planned in the village.

BRAUNSTON MOTHERS' UNION.

On Thursday, 4th February, there will be an opportunity to look at the overseas work of the M.U. with slides on Korea. The meeting, as usual, will be held at the Rectory at 2.30 p.m.

ONLEY.

As many will know, Onley Prison became officially part of the parish in 1980. This means that the Rector spends at least two days a week with the prisoners and staff. In return, the Chaplain, Rev. Mike Dixon, has helped us on a number of occasions, not least in the interregnum. Mr. Dixon leaves later this month to take up a new appointment in his native Durham, and we hope to express our gratitude to him with a token of our appreciation. Any contributions towards the presentation may be handed to the Rector.

VILLAGE POLICE OFFICER.

STEVE DEHAVILLAND is your resident Police Officer, and is here for YOUR use. If you have a problem with which you think he might be able to help, he can be contacted at the POLICE HOUSE, or telephone Rugby 891094. Thank you.

SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND.

Would anyone help to knit or crochet squares for blankets for "Save the children" Fund. The blankets can be any size, but 54" x 36" is a useful size. There will be an Aladdins Cave of Blankets at the Guildhall, Northampton, on 5th May, and the children of Braunston School would like to support this worthy cause to help children who will be cold and comfortless without such help. The school would appreciate all the help and support anyone can give. Please contact Mrs. Davies with any query about this project. Thank you.

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB. We were very sorry that our visit to Ashby St. Ledgers had to be cancelled owing to the inclement weather, but we look forward to going at a future date. On Monday, 8th February, a talk will be given by Mr. Mark Ferrier, a Veterinary Surgeon from Rugby. On Monday, 22nd February, Mrs. I. Milburne of Braunston will show slides and tell us of her travels in Africa.

BRAUNSTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE. The next meeting of the Institute will be on Tuesday, 2nd February, when Mrs. I. Milburne will give an illustrated talk entitled "Overland to Kathmandu".

BRAUNSTON SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE. The next meeting will be held in the School on Thursday, 18th February, at 8.00 p.m. Anyone interested will be welcome.

BRAUNSTON PARISH COUNCIL.

"TWINNING". The Parish Council has been exploring the possibility of forming a twinning link with a town or village on the continent of Europe.

The Council is of the opinion that it has pursued this project as far as it should without the consent of the Parish. The subject will, therefore, be placed on the agenda of the Annual Parish Meeting which will probably take place on Monday, 12th April. It is hoped that anyone interested will be present at this meeting. The exact date and time will be advertised.

"Tidy Village Competition". In the 1981 Northamptonshire competition Braunston achieved the lowest mark ever, after thirty years in this competition, largely due to widespread litter. In contrast - 1952 was the year that the Grandfather of the present Princess of Wales presented Braunston with the cup for the tiddest Village in its group.

The Parish Council asks for a community effort which will reverse the present trend, and which will restore Braunston to its previous eminence in the "Tidy Village" Scale. Many summer visitors to Braunston comment that this is a village with character - we have a village to be proud of but if residents do not care we cannot expect others to do so.

VILLAGE NOTES. Someone now resident in Zimbabwe looked up and saw a swallow.

Formerly she had seen these birds swooping along the canal in Braunston, and she wondered whether that particular bird had come from here. The tiny traveller had flown south, and on its way must have flown through warm climates well north of the equator, and had still continued for another thousand miles beyond that line. Perhaps he had looked for a place more like England in the summer as we think it ought to be, and found it in southern Africa. The bird which we regard as the harbinger of summer would lose half the weight which it had on leaving our shores, and would have performed a feat of navigation for which mankind needs a quite complicated system of radio beams. Swallows, and other birds were doing this centuries before mankind had discovered and used the most primitive compass. How a tiny bird like a swallow does this is still a matter of conjecture.

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