

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH

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CHURCH SERVICES.

Feb. 3rd 8 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Parade Service 3 p.m. Communion
10th, 17th & 24th 8 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Family Communion 3 p.m. Evening Prayer

IS GOD CALLING YOU? This Lent, beginning on Sunday, February 24th, we are holding a special series of services with invited preachers speaking on various aspects of Christian vocation. Leaflets, giving further details, will shortly be available in Church.

FUNERALS

December 21st Eric Walter ALLEN
January 9th Timothy Emlyn JONES
10th Elizabeth KING

We express our deepest sympathy to all who have been bereaved, at this time of their sadness.

EXERCISE YOUR RIGHTS. If your name is registered on the Church Electoral Roll then it is your privilege to vote for your representatives to serve on the Church Council. Do come along to the Village Centre on Tuesday February 12th at 7.30 p.m. when, as well as electing our Churchwardens and Councillors, we will look back on the achievements of 1984 and share our plans for 1985.

WASTE PAPER COLLECTIONS. Thank you if you have been saving your newspapers for us. We resume our collections on the first Saturday of every month. Please leave your bundles where they may be seen from the road by 10 a.m. on the morning of each collection. Extra volunteers are needed, so if you can help please ring the Rector or Denis Foulkes (890930).

TRANSPORT. Several members of the Church are willing to use their cars to help if you have problems getting to hospital, either to visit family or on their own behalf. Let the Rector know should this be your need. Alternatively, if you would appreciate help in coming to the services or any of the Church events then ring Peter Surman (890246).

BRAUNSTON MOTHERS' UNION All ladies will be most welcome to the first meeting of the year at the Rectory on Wednesday February 6th at 10 a.m.

SIDESMENS ROTA

<u>8 a.m.</u>	<u>10.30 a.m.</u>	<u>3 p.m.</u>
Feb. 3rd W. Woodall D. Hamer	L. Thompson P. Surman/D. Morgan	J. Rowley
10th E. M. Thorp D. Foulkes/C. Dobbs	S. Lee F. S. White/C. Dunn	E. Clarke
17th		D. Gallie
24th		D. Foulkes

ALTAR FLOWERS

<u>High Altar</u>	<u>St. Giles</u>
Feb. 3rd & 10th Mrs. C. Middleton	Mrs. Hick
17th & 24th Mrs. A. Hearne	Mrs. Thompson

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB

Monday 11th Feb. A Cookery Demonstration will be given by "Culinnaire"

Monday 25th Feb. A talk on Romanys will be given by Mr. T. Jones of Daventry.

TWINNING ASSOCIATION Our thanks to all those friends who braved arctic conditions to support the first A.G.M. of the Braunston Twinning Association. The Chairman reported a very lively start for the Association and the many suggestions received later in the evening point to an equally lively future. As with so many organisations we are short of funds and the Treasurer welcomed the fund-raising ideas put forward. The new Committee will be organising a French evening in early Spring and we look forward to your support.

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE The Village Hall Committee have taken advice recently on the condition of the trees around the Village Hall. Sadly the outer poplars need lopping to about 15' with the centre one being felled. Several of the other trees need attention. We are advised that although this work will prolong the lives of the trees we have reached the time when we need to replant so that when the existing trees need felling we will still have mature trees to brighten our surroundings. Several of the existing trees were donated for various reasons and if anyone in the village would like to donate new trees to be planted around the Village Hall, Chris Collins, the Secretary, would be very pleased to hear from you (890603).

BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE At the December meeting Mrs. Susan Jackson gave an inspiring demonstration of cooking for a Christmas buffet. There is not a monthly meeting during January, but usually some alternative entertainment is planned which this year is, at the time of going to press, a 20's & 30's type social to live music on Jan. 29th. Wood-carving is the subject for Feb. 5th.

BRAUNSTON PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION Already the P.T.A. has raised £500 towards putting a roof over the school swimming pool, this includes a profit of £266 from the "Saturday Shop" held in the Old Co-Op Store in November. A Jumble Sale will be held on Friday February 9th at the School, and a Barn Dance is being organised for next month.

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE GARDENS ASSOCIATION Remember to get your houseplants and bulbs into good order for the Spring Flower Show in early March. Flowering plants will appreciate a small feed or two whilst blooming; both they and foliage plants will benefit from cleaning and keeping them cool.

ALADDIN Anyone who missed this years pantomime at the Village Centre can hire the video recording which was made at the dress rehearsal. The video is VHS and is available by kind permission of Mr. & Mrs. Guiney for a hire fee of £1 per night. All proceeds will be donated to the "Help a child to see campaign".

VILLAGE NOTES

Rainfall for Dec. 52.5 mm for 1985 655.4 mm (= 25.77 ins.)

Heaviest rainfall Nov. 101.1mm

Up to 21st Jan. 8.44 mm.

Snow is melted and counted as rain.

Say more weather causes certain birds to migrate southwards but others who remain in England move to places where food is more available than on upland moorlands whose marshes are frozen hard. Birds like the curlew move to the sea shore where they can pick up insects, worms, etc. in the sand kept open by the salt of the sea. Here wagtails which usually hunt streams, ponds, and the canals now frozen have moved into the village in search of food. We have at least four varieties here, pied, white, grey and yellow instead of hopping like sparrows they run swiftly and have earned their name by the constant flicking of their very long conspicuous tails.

When they do fly their path is rather undulating.

WILL CONTRIBUTORS PLEASE NOTE THAT MATERIAL FOR THE MARCH ISSUE SHOULD REACH THE EDITOR BEFORE 17TH FEBRUARY. On application of a postage stamp or this section of the news item should be limited to 100 words. The deadline for the submission of material for the publication of the April issue is 17th March. Duncan A. Gallie (Hon. Editor), 51 High Street, Alston House,