

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH

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CHURCHWARDS:CHURCH SERVICES

March 2nd 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Family Parade Service 3.00 p.m. Holy Communion
 9th Mothers' Sunday
 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Family Communion
 16th 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Morning Service 3.00 p.m. Evensong
 23rd Palm Sunday
 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. Family Communion
 27th Maundy Thursday
 7.30 p.m. Holy Communion
 Good Friday
 28th 3.00 p.m. An hour at the Cross
 Easter Sunday
 30th 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Family Communion 3.00 p.m. Evensong

MARCH An important month in the Church Calendar... On the 6th the Church Annual General Meeting. The opportunity to elect your representatives, hear of the past year's events and the plans for the future. You may have comments to make and views to be heard! This is your chance to air them. (7.30 p.m. in the Village Centre)

The 9th brings Mothering Sunday. The one day in the year when children and fathers alike can show mother how much she is appreciated. Mums are all too often taken for granted.

At the end of the month, Easter, a happy festival, we do look forward to greeting you at our services at this time.

CLOVERLEY HALL, SHROPSHIRE There is a possibility of a Church party spending the weekend September 12th-14th here. Cost approx. £20.00 per person (reduction for children). £5.00 each deposit on booking. Anyone interested please contact Mrs. Eileen Dawson phone 890609 before March 8th.

FUNERALS

February 3rd Susan HYDE
February 6th Aileen COOKE

We offer our deepest sympathy to all who have been saddened by bereavement in recent weeks.

SIDESMENS ROTA

March 2nd	8 a.m.	10.30 a.m.	3 p.m.
9th	W. Woodall	B. Dawson	D. Foulkes
16th	L. Thompson	E. Hyde/D. Hamer	F. Cox
23rd	D. Gallie	P. Surman/D. Morgan	E. Clarke
30th	F. Spencer Lee	C. Dobbs/C. Dunn	
	B. Dawson	S. White/E. Thorp	

ALTAR FLOWERS

March 2nd & 9th	High Altar	St. Giles
16th & 23rd	Mrs. G. Surman	Mrs. F. Webb
Easter Day	Mrs. H. Rowley	Mrs. J. Rowley
	Lady McGowan	Mrs. E. Dawson
Saturday 29th March	Church Decoration 10.00 a.m.	Helpers required please.

THANKS We gratefully acknowledge donation of £5.00 towards the production of this Newsletter from the Gardens' Association.

WASTEPAPER - Next collection will be on Saturday, 1st March.

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB

At the last January meeting, Mrs. Honor Mackichan of Braunston gave an interesting account of her holiday cruise. Many lovely slides were shown of places visited, including the Greek Islands, Turkey and Venice. She was thanked by Mrs. P. Fitch.

In spite of the inclement weather, over 30 members turned out for the meeting on Feb. 10th. Mr. Frank Cox showed slides of a climbing holiday and some of Ibiza. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs. Janet MacCarthy.

March 10th Members will be entertained by a Magician, Mr. John Parker of Burton-on-Trent.
March 24th Mr. Baldwin of Badby will give another of his entertaining film shows.

BRAUNSTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next meeting will be on March 4th 7.30 p.m. at The Village Centre. Mrs. Ruth Robinson will be demonstrating "Sweet Making".

On April 14th, Monday, members and friends are going to the evening performance of "Pirates of Penzance" and "Trial by Jury" at Derrigate. All those who have booked please bring your money, £2.05 per ticket to this meeting.

The darts team organised by Janet Cox, having won all the 1st round matches, is all set to play the first match of the second round at Bugbrooke.

On March 26th, Wednesday, there will be a W.I. Group Handicraft Show at the Village Centre. Entries from Kilsby, Crick, Barby, Ashby, Welton and Braunston will be judged in the morning and on show to the public from 7.30 - 9 p.m. Coffee and biscuits will be served, admission 30p.

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE GARDENS' ASSOCIATION

As an experiment the Association is planting Tagetes Minutae in the flower bed at the bottom of the slope leading into the Village Hall. This plant is reputed to kill the roots of such weeds as couch grass and convolvulus, and to get rid of eel worm and like pests. So if you notice odd looking plants appearing in that bed, please leave them alone. These plants apparently grow to 10 ft. tall, having handsome leaves and small insignificant flowers. With your co-operation, we will see if the experiment works!

BRAUNSTON TWINNING ASSOCIATION

A party from Quincy-Voisins will be arriving in Braunston on Thursday, 1st May and leaving on the morning of Sunday, May 4th. Several social events are being organised. Any enquiries or offers of accommodation to Mrs. Webb in the Library or Mr. Thrower at the School.

BRAUNSTON GUIDES AND BROWNIES - Please re-reber JUMBLE SALE to be held on Saturday, 8th March at 10.30 a.m. in the Village Centre - Cake Stall.

VILLAGE NOTES

The main topic of conversation has been the snowfall. In January we had 81.4mm (3 1/2 ins.) of rainfall. Up to the 21st of February snow gave 21.4mm rain. The heaviest fall was on Feb. 5th when 8 cms. and on the 6th 2 cms. were measured.

Those of us who have no interest in sliding, sledging or snowballing regard snow as an unrelieved nuisance but there are some compensations. When snow falls in very low temperatures the small flakes have a hexagonal shape. They are crystalline and reveal patterns of infinite variety.

Hungry birds flock into our gardens and scraps of food enable us to watch their antics from behind our windows. Animals too leave their tracks in the snow.

Ridge and furrow in the fields reveal the pattern of cultivation set by the Braunstonians of the Middle Ages and nothing could be more beautiful than trees like the birch, whose branches are enclosed in a thick rime of frost.

MATERIAL FOR THE APRIL NEWSLETTER SHOULD REACH THE EDITOR ON OR BEFORE 21ST MARCH.

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