

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH

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CHURCH SERVICES

Each Sunday at 8.00am - Holy Communion
 October 2nd 10.30am - Parish Eucharist 6.30pm - Evensong
 October 9th HARVEST FESTIVAL
 10.30am Family Parade Service with presentation of Harvest
 Gifts. The preacher at this Service will be the Revd.
 Graham Johnson, Rector of Daventry.
 6.30pm Harvest Songs of Praise followed at about
 7.30pm Holy Communion.

October 16th 10.30am Parish Eucharist at which the speaker will be
 Mary Rowers, our Link Missionary from Jerusalem.
 October 18th St. Luke, 7.30pm Holy Communion
 October 23rd 10.30am Parish Eucharist
 October 28th SS Simon and Jude, 7.30pm Holy Communion
 October 30th 10.30am Parish Eucharist

The Church will be decorated for Harvest on Saturday 8th October and we would be glad to receive contributions on that day, or before by arrangement. Children are asked to bring their gifts to church on Sunday morning, 9th October. The Harvest Supper will take place in the School on Monday 10th at which all the produce will be sold. The FCC have decided that the proceeds will go to famine relief in the Sudan. Tickets for the Harvest Supper are available at the Post Office, £1.75 for adults and £1.25 for children. We are grateful to Mrs. Judy Clay for helping us in this way.

I seem to have written too much in recent BVNs and I apologise. I will try to keep this short. The beginning of October is the traditional time for celebrating the gathering of the Harvest. All the grain should be in and we can take stock of how good or poor the return has been. Preparations can be made for the coming winter with jams, pickles and other preserves - literally preserving food from going bad. This month the strong October ale used to be made to last through to the Spring, and I don't think that is an art which has died! All in all a good time to marvel at God's bounty, how he sustains us with the material things from the Harvest. In the Church we give thanks and praise for this recurring Gift that we can win from the land. This year we are coupling this with our personal thanksgiving, for all God's gifts, in a Stewardship Renewal Campaign.

I hope your pickles and preserves keep well and last through the bleak weather ahead, I hope your October ale (or its equivalent) lasts through to the warmer days of Spring, I hope your freezerful of harvest keeps you in 'fresh' vegetables for many months and that when you consume them you give a thought or a prayer to Him who provides everything that sustains us. Michael Tompkins.

SIRESMENS ROTA

October 2nd	8am	L. Thompson	10.30am	G. Powell & C. Dunn	6.30pm	E. Clarke
9th		M. Chamberlain		F. Cox		
16th		F. Spencer Lee		B. Wasser & C. Wasser		
23rd		B. Dawson		D. Hamer & D. Gregson		
30th		D. Foulkes		E. Thorpe & M. Chamberlain		

ALTAR FLOWERS

Oct. 2nd & 9th	High Altar	St. Giles
16th & 23rd	Mrs. I. Griffin	Mrs. Slrubb
Nov. 6th	Mrs. A. Herne	Mrs. D. Thompson
13th	Mrs. Masters	Mrs. Brinkman
20th & 27th	Mrs. J. Caunt	Mrs. Forster
	Mrs. J. Read	Mrs. L. Kibblewhite

THANK YOU We gratefully acknowledge an anonymous donation of £1 towards the cost of producing the Braunston Village News.

WASTE PAPER COLLECTIONS - SATURDAY 1ST OCTOBER & 5TH NOVEMBER.

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB Members enjoyed their coach trip around the villages, calling at Oak Tree Farm, Long Buckby. Mrs. Joy Evans made everyone welcome as always and Mrs. Amy Beckett thanked her on behalf of the members also presented her with a gift. There will be no meeting on Monday 10th October, as on Friday 14th October we shall be celebrating the 24th birthday of the club. Please bring your own knife and fork. Tuesday 25th-October A fish and chip lunch will be served in the Village Centre at 12.45pm and again please bring your own knife and fork.

BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE The September meeting was well attended. The Assistant Area Trading Standards Officer from Kettering came at very short notice bringing samples of faulty and dangerous goods, now withdrawn from sale. Following his most informative and lively talk on the role of a Trading Standards Officer he answered several questions raised by members and friends.

October 4th The Annual Meeting - followed by a Beetle Drive!

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE BONFIRE AND FIREWORK DISPLAY

Braunston Playing Field Association and Braunston Senior F.C. Supporters Club are to hold a Bonfire and Firework Display in the playing field on Saturday Nov. 5th, gates open at 5.45pm. Bar-b-Que and refreshments will be available and there will be a Guy (or Gal) competition and raffle. See posters for details. Tickets will be on sale from early October.

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE GARDENS ASSOCIATION - ANNUAL SHOW AND FETE

The members of the Committee would like to thank this opportunity to thank everyone who helped to make a success of the show. W. Dave Hon. Sec.

VILLAGE NOTES A lady observed that a thrush was fat, when in fact it had fluffed out its feathers and in so doing it had enclosed itself in a layer of warm air, trapped in the feathers. Air, so caught, is a poor conductor of heat i.e. it allows heat to pass only slowly through. We take advantage of this when we use a blanket or an eiderdown which is a cushion containing air trapped between the feathers of a bird - especially those of the eider duck.

The feathers of all birds share this quality but those whose habitat is watery are waterproofed with oil secreted from a gland. Feathers are used to retain heat but their insulating quality is used in the reverse direction. A chemist working with materials which must be kept at a low temperature, e.g. when nitrating toluene in the preparation of T.N.T. must keep everything cold so the apparatus is enclosed in feathers to EXCLUDE heat.

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