

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH

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CHURCH SERVICES

1st EASTER 4.
8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Parish Eucharist
6.30pm Evensong and Baptism

2nd Saints Philip and James, Apostles 10.30am Holy Communion
8th EASTER 5.
8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Family Parade Service

12th ASCENSION DAY 7.30pm Holy Communion
14th St. Matthias Apostle 10.30am Holy Communion
15th Sunday after Ascension 8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Parish Eucharist

22nd PENTECOST
8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Parish Eucharist

29th TRINITY SUNDAY
8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Parish Eucharist

P.C.C. Thursday 5th May, at 7.30pm at Miss Thorp's, Waterside, Dark Lane.
EASTISM. On the 24th April we welcomed Christopher John, son of Clifford and Janet Thorpe into the Family of the Church.

MARRIAGE. On the 23rd April we shared the joy of Janice Lianne Brown and Neil Scott Bavington as they celebrated their Marriage.

FUNERALS. On the 8th April George Ollis was laid to rest at Daventry after a Service in Braunston Parish Church.

On the 20th April Louisa Russell was laid to rest at Willoughby. Please remember the above and for their families in your prayers.

May sees two Bank Holidays and two major Church Festivals. Unfortunately the two no longer coincide. Whit Monday used to be a public holiday with many and varied activities; in the North Whit walks were a regular feature of Christian witness, and still are to some extent, but on a reduced scale. Ascension Day, too, was one of those occasions when children at the Church school had an extra bit of holiday after they had been to Church in the morning. Now the spiritual and the secular, the Church and State, are drawing apart. This may be regarded with regret by many, but it has an advantage - the Church must never be seen as a Department of State, like the various Ministries, we have our own message to convey and our own work to do.

Ascension sees the completion of Jesus' earthly work, when he returned to his Father in heaven and Whit (Pentecost) the sending of the Spirit to empower and enliven his Church. It is that same Spirit which gives strength to today's Church to serve all mankind. The Parish Church, and its members, is an integral part of the fabric of the Braunston Community, as Parish Priest I am here to serve all the community, whether they come to the Church or not (but I hope they do) and with God's help that is what I am trying to do.

Michael Tompkins.

SIDESMENS ROTA

May 1st	B. Dawson	8am	10.50am	M. Chamberlain/E. Thorpe	6.30pm
8th	L. Thompson			B. Wasser/C. Wasser	E. Clarke
15th	F. Spencer Lee			D. Foulkes/D. Gregson	
22nd	E. Thorpe			E. Dawson/C. Dunn	
29th	B. Dawson			D. Hamer/G. Powell	

ALTAR FLOWERS

May 1st & 8th
15th & 22nd
29th

High Altar

Mrs. J. Lee
Lady McGowan
Mrs. Lloyd
Mrs. Knibbs
Mrs. H. Machichan

June 5th & 12th
19th & 26th

We gratefully acknowledge a donation of £5 from Braunston Womens Institute towards the cost of producing the B.V.N.

St. Giles

Mrs. P. Streaton
Mrs. J. Arrowsmith
Mrs. Humphries
Mrs. C. Biddell
Mrs. J. Seeney

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB Members listened with interest to the sermon given by P.C. Ben Mitchell, our village policeman. He assured everyone of his willingness to give help and advice whenever needed. Mr. Frank Cox thanked P.C. Mitchell for his informative and interesting talk. An illustrated talk was given by our Priest in Charge, Michael Tompkins. Many slides of the Holy Land were shown, bringing to life several of the Bible stories. The vote of thanks was given by Mr. George Green. A gift of £10 has been given by a lady member who wishes to remain anonymous, to whom our thanks are due.

Monday 9th May An outing to the Butterfly Farm at Stratford has been arranged. Tea will be taken at Leamington Spa. The coach will leave the Green at 1pm. Monday 23rd May Members will be entertained by The Three Musketeers, John, Walter and Frank.

BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE Mrs. Brenda Bryant our new Group Convener welcomed members to the Group Meeting which was held in March at Welton. Great Grandma Betty Davies held a captive audience with her poems and reminders of the 'good old days'. Once again Braunston have won the Group Handicrafts Cup - this year held at Barby. An Irish Dance Team entertained our April meeting. May 3rd The Voluntary County Organiser will be our speaker to discuss "Resolutions" which will be put forward at the A.G.M. held in the Royal Albert Hall.

BRAUNSTON JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB Dates for your diary We are holding a Tiddlewink night on Saturday May 14th - £2 per team. Lots of fun at Onley Park Social Club. Our presentation night is also at Onley Park Social Club on June 4th. On Sunday June 26th we are holding our Annual 5 aside competition on the playing field.

BRAUNSTON UTD. FOOTBALL CLUB Race Night - Friday May 13th 7.30pm. Venue at the Village Hall. 1st race 8.00pm. Bar and Food available. £1 Admission Fee. Ladbroke's sponsored. Support will be welcome. Anyone welcome. Ladies have a flutter!

FRIENDS OF BRAUNSTON C. OF E. SCHOOL We shall be holding a Car Boot Sale in the School Car Park on Saturday 7th May from 10.0'clock until 2 pm. The chargeper car will be £4, and a pitch can be booked either through the School office or Jeanita Cooper (891475).

BRAUNSTON SCOUTS & CUBS have booked a "pitch" at the Braunston School Car Boot Sale on Saturday 7th May 10am-2pm, and they are also holding a Jumble Sale at The Den, Cross Lane, on Saturday 21st May, from 10am-12 noon. If you have any donations for the Car Boot Sale, please hand them in at The Den on Thursday evenings (6.15-7.30pm) or Friday evenings (7-9pm). The Scout and Cub Group would also welcome donations of jumble, white elephant, cakes and raffle prizes for the Jumble Sale. These can also be handed in at The Den (times as above) or ring 891482 to arrange collection. Please support the Scout and Cub Group to maintain their activities for the youth of the village.

BRAUNSTON PARISH COUNCIL A meeting has been arranged on Wednesday 11th May at 7.30pm in the School Hall for a low flying presentation team from the Ministry of Defence to demonstrate and answer questions as to the necessity of low flying over Braunston.

BRAUNSTON TOWN LANDS & RELIEF IN NEED CHARITIES. Mr. W.V.Beckett is retiring from the office of Clerk to the Charity Trustees after forty three years service. The length of his service is matched by its quality. The efficiency which he has discharged his duties and the tact and compassion with which he dealt with those in need or distress deserves the thanks of the Parish.

Applications are invited for the vacant post. In writing to W.V.Beckett, 33, High Street, Braunston, By May 14th.

FROM P.C. MITCHELL I have recently received complaints concerning the parking of vehicles in the vicinity of the 'Rose Bed' at the junction of High St/Welton Rd/Ashby Rd. The two main complaints are that there is visual obstruction for vehicles attempting to drive from Barby Lane into the Village, and that as the result of vehicles parking close to the Village Hall railings, larger vehicles, when traversing the Rose Bed, are having to mount the garden and are turning it into an eyesore. Whilst it is appreciated that this is a busy section of the Village particularly in the evenings, I hope that motorists intending to park in that area will consider parking away from the junction with Barby Lane, and the railings, by the garden. This will alleviate the need for further complaint and the need to report motorists for offence