

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH

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CHURCH SERVICES

- 1st. GOOD FRIDAY 2.00pm An hour at the Cross, hymns and Devotions.
2nd. Easter Vigil and Service of Light. (BCP)
3rd. EASTER DAY 8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Parish Communion
6.30pm Evensong
10th. 8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Family Service
17th. 8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Parish Eucharist
24th. 8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Parish Eucharist

P.C.C. Thursday April 14th at 7.30pm at 48, Kilsby Road, Barby.

FUNERAL 16th March 1988 Frederick Allen We pray for his soul and extend our deepest sympathy to Laura, her children and grandchildren.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting duly took place last month and the annual elections filled all the available offices. The new PCC now has to get to grips with the problems of the day to day running of the Church for the next year. I am sure that the task is not vastly different from year to year, but the motivation and enthusiasm does vary. I hope that the new PCC will address their work with determination and vigour to keep the Church presence vital in the Village. The Church is an important part of community life and it should be always ready to meet the needs and standards demanded of it, not only in terms of its buildings but also of its people.

Easter is a time of renewal; the Thursday before Easter the Clergy of the Diocese will gather with their Bishop to renew their Ordination vows; on Easter Day the faithful will stand in Church to renew their Baptismal vows. Although at this time of the year we see the Earth take on a renewed splendour with the coming of Spring, Easter is not a synonym for Spring - Easter will still occur on the 3rd April in the Australian Autumn. At Easter Jesus rose from death to new life, so that we may have new life in God through him. And that new life is an eternal new life, not one of cycles like the seasons.

A Blessed Eastertide to you all.

Michael Tompkins.

SIDESMENS ROTA 8am

April 3rd	M. Chamberlain	10.30am	6.30pm
10th	L. Thompson	C.Wasser/B.Wasser	E. Clarke
17th	F.Spencer Lee	D.Foulkes/D.Gregson	
24th	B. Dawson	B.Dawson/C.Dunn	
		J.Reed / F. Cox	

ALTAR FLOWERS

High Altar

Saturday 2nd April Church decoration 10.00am

Easter Day

April 3rd

10th

17th & 24th

Mrs. E. Dawson

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Mrs. P. Evans

St. Giles

Mrs. J. Cox

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Mrs. P. French

WASTE PAPER COLLECTIONS:

Saturday April 9th (No collection on Easter Saturday) and May 7th.

Articles for the May issue of the B.V.N. should reach the editor by 21st April.

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BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB Among the items made by Mrs. Sue Jackson at the cookery demonstration, a variety of lovely sugar flowers were made, just right for the Easter cake decorations. Mrs. Jackson was thanked by Mrs. Wendy Tompkins.

Monday 11th April The speaker will be our new Priest in Charge, Michael Tompkins. Monday 25th April - Programme yet to be arranged.

BRAUNSTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE The delightful embroidery demonstrated by Mrs. Petrie at our March meeting was enjoyed by everyone. Mrs. Janet Cox echoed the appreciation of members and friends when giving the vote of thanks.

The Jubilee Sale raised just over £110. April 5th will be an Irish Evening when we will be entertained by an Irish Dance Team.

BRAUNSTON CRICKET CLUB The A.G.M. of the Cricket Club was held recently. The following were elected as officers of the Club.

President - David Gower, Leicestershire and England.

Chairman - Trevor Hewitt, 64 Greenway.

Treasurer - Freda Webb, 5, Field View.

Fixture Secretary - Roger Halson, 3, High Street.

Captain - James Barnwell, 61, Church Road.

Sponsor - David Sutton, Motorsport Ltd.

The Club has a full fixture list, anyone wishing to play or to become involved in any capacity please contact:-

Trevor Hewitt tel.no.891226 or James Barnwell tel.no.890740.

FRIENDS OF BRAUNSTON C. OF E. SCHOOL We shall be holding a Family Bingo Evening in the School Hall on Friday 22nd April at 7.30pm.

Refreshments will be available, and we hope to see YOU there!

The Committee would like to thank everyone who came to the Websters Fashion Show and the Skating Day, and made them both such happy and successful events.

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE GARDENS ASSOCIATION The Association are holding a slide evening on Tuesday 19th April at 8.00pm in the Games Room of the Village Centre. The slides will be from the collection of the Royal Horticultural Society - "Some Great British Gardens" and "Flowering Plants for the Small Greenhouse". Entrance 25p including coffee & biscuits. The Braunston Annual Show has been fixed for Saturday Sept. 3rd. The schedule will include jams and wines and there are also classes for knitting, embroidery and patch-work. So now is the time to start preparing.

COMMUNITY WATCH Braunston Beware! Weltun and Ashby have had garages entered and tools, electrical items and freezer food stolen. We must remember to LOCK UP - doors, windows, garages and cars. Please report anything suspicious to your contacts. - Ted Milo Church Rd. 890527, Mrs. Webb Countryside 890482, Mrs. Cole High St. 891060, Mr. Taylor Ashby Rd. 891353, Mrs. Hall High St. 890306, Mrs. Walters The Green 890950, Miss Hawley The Green 891006.

There is no contact for the Archer Ave. area, anyone interested please ring Mr. Ted Milo.

VILLAGE NOTES Our fairly mild if somewhat rainy January (98.2 mms rain) was followed by a mild February (30.6mms rain) have encouraged the Spring flowers to blossom much earlier than we could normally to expect.

Snowdrops, crocuses, daffodils, flowering cherry and even tulips have flowered, and among the wild flowers primroses, lesser celandines, chickweed, groundsel, violet blackthorn have flowered.

One insect which seems to defy all our expectations is the midge. It seems to have nothing with which it can withstand the cold but it has already appeared. Soon we will have the spawn in the ponds. Already rooks have been busy building nests. The loss of the elms must have been a disappointment for them, but they have quickly adapted to other trees. The blackbirds and thrushes will be building their homes. While many of the traditional building sites are being swallowed up in building developments we still have a never ending scene to observe. Many gardeners are fortunate to have a friendly robin who will follow them round as they turn up a spade of soil where he can pick up some morsel of food.