

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH

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CHURCH SERVICES

- 2nd February 7.30pm Holy Communion (Presentation of Christ in the Temple)
- 7th February 8.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
10.30am Parish Eucharist
6.30pm Evensong
- 14th February 8.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
10.30am Family Parade Service
- 17th February 7.30pm Holy Communion (Ash Wednesday)
- 21st February 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Parish Eucharist
- 28th February 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Parish Eucharist

FUNERALS 30th December Susan Amelia Humphrey
6th January Mary Sidwell
7th January Frances Marion Jones
14th January Frederick Trathan

We pray for their souls and for their families to whom extend our sympathy at this time.

Next P.C.C. Meeting 4th February at the home of Cynthia & Geof. Curtis, 7.30pm.

CONFIRMATION AT BRAUNSTON. The Bishop is coming to Braunston again, this time for a Confirmation Service. Anyone in the Parish, young or old, who might be interested please call the Rectory when we can discuss matters. The young people's Confirmation Group is currently seven strong.

SIDESMENS ROTA

February 7th	M. Chamberlain	8am	10.30am	6.30pm
14th	L. Thompson			E. Clarke
21st	F. Spencer Lee			J. Reed / F. Cox
28th	D. Foulkes			E. Thorpe/M. Chamberlain C. Wasser/B. Wasser

ALTAR FLOWERS

February 7th & 14th	Mrs. C. Middleton	High Altar	St. Giles
21st & 28th	Mrs. S. White		Mrs. M. Hick
6th & 13th	Mrs. E. Hargraves		Mrs. M. Foulkes
20th & 27th	Mrs. H. Rowley		Mrs. F. Webb Mrs. J. Rowley

WASTE PAPER COLLECTIONS Saturday February 6th and March 5th.

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB The Mince pie tea was well supported and realised the sum of £60.40 which included the bring and buy stall and raffle.

Thanks are due to a lady member, who wishes to remain anonymous, for a donation of £10 for club funds.

Several members enjoyed their visit to the Hot Ice Show at Derrnigate. The excellent skating and colourful costumes made a most spectacular show.

Monday 8th February Mrs. Hazel Parsons of Barby will entertain with songs and readings.

Monday 22nd February Holiday slides will be shown by Mr. & Mrs. W. Cook of Willoughby.

POLICE NOTICE Will Braunston residents please note that the number to ring Daventry Police is now 97 300300.

BRAUNSTON FOOTBALL CLUB CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

1st Prize - W. Millington

2nd Prize - D. Howells

Thank you to everyone for your support.

BRAUNSTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE wish to know if anyone has a cooker in reasonable condition and would be willing to give it for the use of people using the Village Hall.

Would anyone who can give such an item please contact Mr. Kevin Sparrow, 38, Greenway, telephone 890439.

FRIENDS OF BRAUNSTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

There will be a Fashion Show of knitted garments from Websters in the School Hall on Thursday 10th March, at 8.29pm. Admission will be 11 and refreshments will be available. After all the clothes have been modelled, start from Websters Knitting Wools will have the relevant patterns for sale. We hope to see you there !

VILLAGE NOTES

Man kind represents itself as the superior being of the animal kingdom but without the support of creatures of the lower orders our life would be much less pleasant. Such creatures include the lowly earthworm. Its body consists of strong muscular rungs which it uses to push or often show its way through the earth. Into the tunnel it has made, it will draw a leaf or some other article of food which it will digest at leisure. Only the keeper of a velvet surfaced bowling green where the worm will deposit a conical coil of earth, will have reason to grumble at the humble burrower. The soil so deposited is rich in organic matter. Each year several tons of soil are brought to the surface and it is due to this process that several ancient remains as for example the foundations of Roman villas have been protected from the ravages of frost, rain and destructive weeds. Charles Darwin made a study of the activities of earthworms over a period of thirty years in the fields near his home at Down in Kent. One observer estimates that a million worms exist in a hectare of agricultural land. i.e. 100 per square metre, so gardeners count your wormings when you see your humble servants aerating and enriching your soil !!

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