

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH

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CHURCH SERVICES

Every Sunday:- 8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Parish Eucharist
except second Sunday (11th) which is Family Parade Service.

Evensong is at 6.30pm on the first Sunday in the month (4th).

The P.C.C. meets on the second Wednesday in the month. This month (14th) it meets at Margaret Hick's, 6 School Close at 8.00pm.

BELLS Bellringing practice 1st Wednesday in the month (7th) 7.30pm-8.00pm.
Also Wednesday 14th at 12 noon.

BAPTISMS May 14th Kyle Stewart Bayliss
28th Rebekah Jane Holloway

FUNERALS May 2nd Frank Clifford Hall aged 86 years
11th Samuel Joseph Thomas Isom aged 9 months

We hold them in our prayers and extend our sympathy to their families.

As I write in the sweltering heat of late May, I hear that soon we may be asked to stop using our hose-pipes. Amid our annoyance we ought to think about those many things that we take for granted, including the water. Not everyone in the world, or even in Great Britain, can expect gushing water at the turn of a tap. The price that our government eventually puts on the shares of the water companies that it intends to sell can in no way reflect the value of water itself - it is priceless - it is life itself. Some of the money that we have given to Christian Aid will go to providing water for some of the many millions who don't yet know what running water means. When we turn the tap, perhaps we can give them a thought. And what I have said about water applies equally to the other basic, and often simple, things that we accept without thought. The Church takes some of these basics of our living and uses them to build our spiritual lives - the water of Baptism, and the Bread and Wine of Communion. The simple things are often the most important things in our lives. We must ensure that everyone has free access to them, for their bodies and for their souls.
Michael Tompkins.

SIDESMENS ROTA

June 4th	L. Thompson	8am	10.30am	6.30pm
11th	M. Chamberlain		F. Cox & B. Dawson	E. Clarke
18th	F. Spencer Lee		D. Hamer & K. Minett	
25th	D. Foulkes		E. Thorp & M. Chamberlain	

ALTAR FLOWERS

June 4th & 11th	Mrs. J. Lee	High Altar	Mrs. P. Streeton
18th & 25th	Mrs. Knibbs		Mrs. Biddell
July 2nd	Mrs. J. Long		Mrs. P. Taylor
9th	Mrs. Waltier		Mrs. R. Taylor
16th & 23rd	Mrs. J. Bradshaw		Mrs. A. Beckett
30th	Mrs. Cooper (Ventnor Lodge)		Mrs. P. Davies

THANK YOU We gratefully acknowledge an anonymous donation of £5 towards the cost of producing the B.V.N.

WASTE PAPER COLLECTIONS Saturday 3rd June and Saturday 1st July.
Please put out your bundles for collection by 9.30am or alternatively your waste papers magazines and cardboard can be taken direct to the skip vehicle in the Old Plough car park until approx. 10.30am.

Thank you for your continued co-operation.

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB Owing to lack of support the visit to Leicester had to be cancelled, instead a meeting was held, with a Bring & Buy Stall which realized the sum of £27.85 for Club Funds. Mrs. Gillian Powell read poems written by Mrs. Davies of Braunston.

Thanks are due to the Braunston Angling Club for a donation of £25.

Monday June 12th Programme to be arranged.

Monday June 26th A Garden Party will take place at the Rectory.

On Monday last about 60 members and friends enjoyed an afternoon of War-time songs and entertainment by the Theatre Group. Tea and scones were served afterwards by members of the Committee.

BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE The disposal of toxic waste, deforestation, compulsory DNA testing and improved awareness of osteoporosis were the resolutions discussed under the guidance of Caroline Raven at the last meeting. Joan Montgomery will be travelling to the Royal Albert Hall to record the village's votes at the A.G.M.

The singing group were congratulated for their successful audition to appear in the Old Tyme Music Hall at the Royal Theatre, Northampton on June 24th. Many thanks to all who helped at the Jumble Sale when £110 was raised. Future events include an evening walk to Ashby St. Ledgers on 16th June and a visit to the Royal Show on July 5th.

At the meeting on June 6th Mrs. S. Boon will give a demonstration and talk on "Handmade Chocolates."

BRAUNSTON SCHOOL FETE AND CROWNING OF THE ROSE QUEEN - Saturday 17th June.

There will be maypole dancing and other events by the children, side stalls, bouncy castle, everybody welcome, come and support your school.

SPONSORED FUN RUN for all ages. Walk, run or ride a bike - or even have a friend push you in a wheelbarrow - decorated, disguised or as you are, from The Old Plough at 2.30pm June 18th to the Village Hall where there will be side shows, amusements and teas. Sponsor forms from Carol Roberts, 14 North Close, Dawn Hewitt, 64 Greenway, Judy Tennant, 32 High Street or the Post Office. All proceeds to help "Raise the Roof" on Braunston Village Hall.

TWINNING ASSOCIATION Forty Six people visited Quincy-Voisins in May to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the twinning. As this coincided with the 200th anniversary of the French Revolution, the weekend was filled with various events and spectacles, a truly memorable visit. Please give your support to the car wash at the Village Hall and French Cafe on The Green on Saturday June 24th, 10am-2pm.

VILLAGE NOTES We can only speculate on how mankind managed to distinguish between poisonous and non-poisonous plants. One genus of plants which can be said to be entirely non-poisonous is that of the Cruciferae. There are always four petals in the flower and they are arranged in a cross - the name means cross-bearer. Included in this order are many of our vegetables - all of the cabbage varieties, turnips, the cress and mustard varieties, wild varieties are jack by the hedge, bittercress wallflower, watercress.

In the fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth centuries when sea men went on longer voyages further from land, scurvy was a disease increasingly common. The doctors of that day discovered that the cause was the lack of fresh food. Fortunately along each shore grew a plant named scurvy grass. This has fleshy leaves which tasted quite hot though less so than its relative horse radish. By eating this readily available vegetable the ravages of scurvy were partly controlled.

The plant is found with some variations world wide by seashores and high in mountains.

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