

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH The Revd. Michael Tompkins. The Rectory. Tel. No. 890235

CHURCH SERVICES, each Sunday, at 8.00am. - Holy Communion at 10.30am on 7th. October is a Family Service as part of our HARVEST FESTIVAL at 10.30am on other Sundays (14th., 21st. and 28th.) we have the Parish Eucharist at 6.30pm Evensong is on the first Sunday in the month (7th.Oct.) This month we will have a HARVEST SONGS of PRAISE

ALSO, there is Evensong on the third Sunday in the month (21st.) for the whole Daventry Team. This month it will be at Ashby-St-Ledgers at 6.30pm

BAPTISMS: 2nd. September, Oliver Nicholas Bolland
Luke Michael Ofield
Emma Sophie Sykes
we welcome them into the Lord's family.

WEDDINGS: 8th. September, Philip Harvey Grose and Samantha Lynn Marshall
15th. September, Steven David Smith and Ann Marie Clarke
29th. September, Michael Driscoll and Jane Catherine Herlihy
we wish them every joy, happiness and success in their marriage.

FUNERALS: 29th. August, Margaret Joyce Wood
21st. September, Albert Percival Cotton

We pray for the repose of their souls and offer our condolences to their families.

HARVEST FESTIVAL is on 7th. October and HARVEST SUPPER on Monday, 8th. in the School Hall at 7.00pm. Tickets available from The Rectory, the Post Office or Sheila Rowley.

MOST people know about Sunday Schools, or they think they do. As I go round visiting, I am often told about the Sunday School in Braunston years ago. But that was years ago, when so many went to church as a matter of course, and children were sent off to church for the Sunday afternoon. Times have changed - and so has the teaching of children on a Sunday! We still teach the Christian faith, but we do it a little differently. Just as Braunston school has moved from the education expected in our grandparents day, so has Braunston Church. The image conjured up by 'Sunday School' may give a wrong impression, so we call our children 'Adventurers' - and so they are, embarking on the adventure of finding meaning to life and how to live it fully. The other difference is that the Adventurers meet on Sunday morning, at the same time as the rest of the Church and are seen to be a part of that family. So that no-one is excluded from attending Church we have re-started a Crêche and we have plans to get something going for young teenagers. The Church is often spoken of in 'Family' terms, but it is more than an organisation open to all ages, it is open to, and welcoming to, all peoples of whatever age, background or origin; for Jesus came to draw all people to himself (John 12:32) and his Church is here to serve all people. I hope more children will come to All Saints' and be Adventurers.

Michael Tompkins

SIDESMENS ROTA

October	7th	8am
	14th	L. Thompson
	21st	M. Chamberlain
	28th	F. Spencer Lee
		D. Hamer

ALTAR FLOWERS

October	7th	High Altar
	21st	Mrs. I. Griffin
	28th	Mrs. Caunt
		Mrs. M. Roper

10.30am

D. Turner & B. Dawson
G. Powell & C. Dunn
B. Wasser & C. Wasser
D. Foulkes & J. Reed

St. Giles
Mrs. Sarah Barber
Mrs. Forster
Mrs. V. Worrall

SARAH BARBER HARVEST FESTIVAL

FRIENDLY CLUB There were fewer members than usual at our September Tea Dance. Those who came had an enjoyable afternoon, thanks to Doris Hall and Nancy Walters who led the dancing.

A Ploughmans Lunch on September 24th was followed by a short Harvest Festival Service. The Produce being sold on a Bring and Buy Stall afterwards.

October 8th A Birthday Lunch at Clows Garden Centre near Banbury.

Coach Leaves The Green at 12.0 noon. Return coach leaves Banbury at 3.45pm.

October 22nd Pat Camp will give a talk illustrated with slides on her visit to Thailand and Malaysia.

WOMENS INSTITUTE

Our September meeting was both pleasant and relaxing with Mrs. D. Quinn taking us through "From cradle to grave with music". Bring along your holiday snaps and a souvenir for our "Annual Meeting" in October, also plants, goodies and other items for a Bring and Buy Stall. The next W.I. meeting will be held in Braunston Village Hall October 2nd 7.30pm.

THE BRAUNSTON SCHOOL OF DANCE is putting on a Charity dance display at Danetre School, Daventry on Friday and Saturday 12th and 13th October at 6.30pm. Proceeds will go to the Birmingham Childrens Hospital and tickets priced £1.50 adults and £1 children are available through the dance school. Telephone Rugby 890488.

VILLAGE GARDENS ASSOCIATION

Congratulations to the winners of the Gardens and Hanging Baskets Competition. The prizes were presented in September. The results were as follows:-

<u>GARDENS</u>		<u>HANGING BASKETS</u>	
1st - 1 Mill Close		1st - 12, The Green	
2nd - 50, Ashby Road		2nd - 4, North Close	
3rd - 2, Field View		3rd - 2, Field View	
=4th - Stretton House			
=4th - 16, Archer Avenue			
=4th - 48, Ashby Road			

VILLAGE NOTES by Mr. Dick Herne

The 'Old Road' which joins the A45 opposite the Marina was part of the 'West Chester' Road leading to Holyhead and the crossing to Ireland. In the eighteenth century the Royal Mail and stage coaches, heavy commercial wagons and riders on horseback all used this track.

The road between Daventry and Dunchurch was 'turnpiked' in 1720, that is taken over by a company which erected gates and charged tolls to pay for maintenance which was often neglected. In those days the road was not confined between hedges, and traffic ranged widely to avoid the deeper ruts and potholes.

The house at the foot of the Old Road was once the Bird in Hand inn and beyond it the road turned sharply into the valley. It ran along the edge of the arable field and over the old mill stream which flowed across Berryfield to join the Leam. Then past the Old Castle Inn - now a guesthouse - it turned sharp left and continued on to Dunchurch. There the turnpike road ended and travellers had to face the perilous crossing of Dunsmore Heath, a haunt of footpads and highwaymen who lay in wait to rob travellers of their valuables.