

BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH The Revd. Michael Tompkins. The Rectory, High St. Tel. 890235

CHURCH SERVICES, each Sunday, at 8.00am. - Holy Communion at 10.30am the Parish Eucharist except 2nd Sunday in the month when we have a FAMILY SERVICE. at 6.30pm. Evensong (with Hymns and sermon on the first Sunday of the

month, only)

Morning and Evening Prayer are said daily in church at 9.00am and 6.00pm.

The seven Parishes of the Daventry Team usually share Evensong on the third Sunday in the month, the Team Evensong will be at 6.30pm at Staverton on 19th. July and at Catesby on 16th August.

Services on Saints' Days are published in the weekly Bulletin.

The Sunday School, known as Adventurers and Lazars, meets at 10.15am in church each Sunday; all children are welcome.

FUNERALS: June 8th. Ted Griffiths, aged 84 years

June 18th. Ted Milo, aged 64years

June 26th. Victor Burton, aged 68 years (at Crick)

June 29th. Reg Hargrave, aged 93 years

We pray for their souls and for comfort for their families and friends in their loss.

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As well as the usual stalls, there will be a Fancy Dress Competition for the children: under 5; 5 to 7 year olds; and 8+. There is no charge for entry.

Dear Parishioners,

The holiday season is here! Already many have been away, avoiding the school holidays and the rush. Nowadays, most people see holidays as an essential part of their lives - a time to have a change of scenery and the opportunity to have new experiences and to re-charge their batteries. I am sure this view is correct and that a break is essential if we are to keep going. This essential nature of a break from routine has been enshrined in Jewish and Christian life by the workless Saturday or Sunday - a time for fellowship within the family and a relaxation before re-starting the task of earning a living. Behind that necessity for mankind to re-charge itself lies the majority of opposition to Sunday trading. The Church is often accused of being against things, being seen as a negative organisation full of killjoys, but I oppose unfettered seven day trading in a positive way, because of the ill effects it would have on the nature of the Family. Of course I want everyone to come to Church, but I am not fool enough to think that if every other activity was banned then All Saints' Church would be full each week. But I do believe we need to preserve a time in which we can all pause, draw breath, appreciate one another more and return to work refreshed, rather than see the return to work as an escape from the rat-race of the weekend. I also believe that we can draw spiritual strength from the worship of our God, who gives us true peace of mind and body. I hope that all who are able to get away for a break will return refreshed in spirit and re-created in body, and that those who cannot go away will be enabled to have a change of scene and company to break up what may have become a monotonous routine. Happy Holidays! Michael Tompkins.

THANK YOU

We gratefully acknowledge £10 donation from Braunston W.I. towards the cost of producing the B.V.N.

BRAUNSTON FRIENDLY CLUB Once again we have had two very good meetings this month. On June 8th Judy Baldry gave us an interesting demonstration of flower painting in water colours. The Ploughmans Lunch held at the Rectory on June 22nd was enjoyed by everyone. The meal was excellent and the weather was just right - warm but not too hot. Many thanks to Michael and Wendy for letting us use their garden.

July 13th We will be entertained by Greta Raftery and Audrey Burton.

July 27th Mrs. Gabbitas will talk to us about Daventry Museum.

There will be a Mystery Coach trip in August. Date not yet finalised.

BRAUNSTON WOMENS INSTITUTE At our June meeting Mr. G. Pullin gave us a very interesting and amusing talk on "The History of Campanology". On May 11th our skittles team beat Hargrave in the semi final but were beaten into 2nd place by Harpole in the final. Marguerite Foulkes having the highest score of the evening. Braunston were presented with a certificate.

July 7th Mrs. Wood, the Director of Planning Services in Northamptonshire for the Family Health Services Association, will talk on "Family Health Services, An Introduction". Friends and visitors welcome.

August 4th Mr. A. Webster will give a talk on "Medieval Warwickshire".

BRAUNSTON TWINNING ASSOCIATION forthcoming events include; CAR WASH at the Village Centre on 11th July from 10.00am to 2.00pm. £1.50 per car, £2 if leathered after. Coffee and Croissants available while you wait!

Fashion Show on 6th November in the Village Hall. (Note for your diary).

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH The new launch of Neighbourhood Watch is the 15th July. The Crime Prevention Bus will be at the Village Hall Car Park at 7.0pm - meeting at 8.0pm afterwards in the Village Hall. Hopefully our new Village P.C. George Dickinson will be there when he will be pleased to meet everyone.

GARDENING NOTES by Frank Cox

This is the time of year when our gardens are looking at their best, with flowers and vegetable crops developing well, and much of our fruit harvest being gathered in.

There should be more time now for catching up on the little, but important jobs which may have been neglected during the previous busy weeks. Weeding and dead-heading of fading flower heads, and later on of dahlias and roses should be continued and certain plants will need staking.

Biennials such as wall flowers and sweet williams can be sown in the earlier part of this period and will be ready for pricking out and finally transplanting later.

During August aubretia, viola, pansies and similar plants can be cut well back to produce new shoots which will be suitable for cuttings.

Lift the cutters on your mower and mow less often as growth slackens. Where lawns have become compacted they will benefit from being aerated either by using the special tool for this purpose or with the tines of your garden fork.

There will be quite a lot of garden waste from now on, so make good use of this by building up your compost heap. Sprinkle each layer with a proprietary accelerator or with sulphate of ammonia to encourage even decomposition.

The Annual Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Show will take place at the Village Centre on Saturday September 5th.

The revised schedule of classes produced last year proved very popular and the Show Committee has now made further amendments to bring it right up to date and in line with your suggestions. All classes are now for villagers only and so this is truly your show.

Entry Schedules with full details will be distributed towards the end of August, so do resolve now that you are going to enter at least one item in the many classes available and help to make this the best show ever.

Material for the September Issue should reach Mrs. Foulkes by 21st August.