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I would like to include more articles from the villages in the Hexagon Benefice, on any subject—it might be a favourite poem you've read, your hobby, an enjoyable day out, or something about the architecture and stained glass windows in our historic parish churches.

Beryl Cane, Editor

Please note that Bob
Hutchings has taken over
the advertising in the
Hexagon. See p.12 for
his contact
details.

That big day!

The famous actress Zsa Zsa Gabor once said that 'A man in love is incomplete until he has married. Then he's finished'! I would probably rephrase this slightly and say 'A man in love is incomplete until he is married. Then the journey through life together begins'.



The number of Church weddings in the Hexagon Benefice seems to be on the increase this year and we have also taken many bookings for 2012. Our Church buildings are of course picturesque, well kept, full of prayer through the years and situated in wonderful villages making them ideal and sought after for that big day.

Traditionally the Parish Church would be available only for those who lived in the parish and wished to be married in a Christian service. These days couples can also be married in the Parish Church, in a Christian ceremony, if either one of them has lived in the parish for 6 months, or was baptised or prepared for confirmation in the parish, or their parents lived in the parish, or their parents or grandparents were married in the Church and of course if either one of the couple attends the services in the church where they wish to be married on a regular basis.

In the marriage ceremony we recognise that 'Marriage is a gift of God in creation through which husband and wife may know the grace of God'. Grace is the sheer, self giving, undeserved love of God which is experienced in the love between man and woman. The service starts with the words 'God is love, and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them'.

This love was poured out at the birth of the Church as thousands turned to God, were baptised and filled with his Holy Spirit as 'divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them' on one day, a big day! Their testimony and witness spread throughout the world.



This month we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit in our services as God continues to bring his grace amongst us and as we prepare to join together couples in holy matrimony and pray for their life together.

Reverend Andrew Rhoades June 2011

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June			
Thu 2nd	Ascension Day Service	St Peters, Arnesby	7:30pm
Wed 15th	Husbands Bosworth Primary School Awards Service	All Saints, Husbands Bosworth	2:30pm
Sun 19th	Benefice Family Communion	All Saints, Husbands Bosworth	11:00am
Sun 19th	Open-air service—see below	Knaptoft church ruins	3:00pm
Sun 26th	Refresh @ Mowsley—see below	Mowsley village hall	9:30-11:30am



Ascension Day service on Thursday 2nd June at 7:30pm

Everyone is welcome to our service of Holy Communion for Ascension Day, shared with other Churches in South Leicestershire and held at St Peter's Church, Arnesby, followed by fireworks.



Knaptoft Open Air Summer Services

Everyone is welcome to experience an open air service in the beautiful grounds and countryside of Knaptoft Church ruins. Our services this year start on 19th June at 3pm and then on every 3rd Sunday of the month at 3pm right up to September. Fleckney Silver Band will accompany our hymns and our speakers will be:

From the Church Registers

Baptism

Alfie Thomas BROWN 22nd May 2011 at St Mary's, Bruntingthorpe



"Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father"

19 th Jun	Mairi Mowbray	Lay Reader in the Upper Soar Benefice	A welcome return to Knaptoft for Mairi.
17 th Jul	The Very Reverend Vivienne Faull.	Dean of Leicester Cathedral	We are pleased that such an eminent speaker as Viv has agreed to speak at Knaptoft in a very different setting from the Cathedral.
21 st Aug	Revd Canon Mike Harrison	Director of Mission and Ministry	We welcome Mike, a popular speaker, to Knaptoft for the first time.
18 th Sep	Reverend Andrew Rhoades	Your Curate!	This service will be Knaptoft's Harvest Festival.



Refresh @ Mowsley breakfast cafe for all ages continues on Sunday morning 26th June.

Drop into the village hall at Mowsley whether you are on your own, with friends or family for a free breakfast from 9:30am to 11:30am. There will be time to relax, activities, the Sunday papers and 'food for thought' at 10:30am. With compliments of St Nicholas Church. Further information from Roy Oldham on 0116 2403900 or Reverend Andrew Rhoades on 01858 460150.



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Date	Event	Place	Time
Wed 1st	Shearsby & Arnesby W.I: "Ladies of Leicestershire", speaker David Bell	Arnesby village hall	7:30pm
Tue 7th & 21st	Mobile Library	Old Adult School	11:15-11:45am
Wed 8th June and Tue 12th July	Arnesby book club: One Day by David Nicholson Dead Cert by Dick Francis	Homestead Farm, St Peter's Rd Cambridge House, South Close	7:30pm
Sat 25th	Light Classical Concert: See below	St Peter's church	7:30pm

Fitness Classes in the village hall: Zumba on Friday evenings has been cancelled due to lack of support. Aerobics (6:30-7:30pm) and Pilates (7:30-8:30pm) will continue on Mondays EXCEPT for Mon 13th June when Andy Osborne is on holiday.

Knitters & Stitchers: Thu 2nd June, 7:30pm at Jasmin Cottage, The Bank.

St Peter's Tide: 25th/26th June. If you would like to support St Peter's, then please put your donation in the envelope delivered with this newsletter and return it to Brian Spriggs (Treasurer), Cambridge House, South Close before 26th June. Please complete the Gift Aid form if you are a taxpayer. *Cheques payable to St Peter's Church, Arnesby.* St Peter's Church will be open with displays & light refreshments from 11-5pm on Sun 26th June.

Concert in St Peter's Church: Sat 25th June at 7:30pm. Peter Houtman and friends will be performing a light classical concert in church. Tickets £6, includes interval refreshments, from Di Winterton, Judith Mace, Peter & Elaine Chapman and Brian & Sue Spriggs.

Open Gardens: Sun 26th June 11-5pm. Entrance to all gardens £3— accompanied children free. There will be lunches, teas, children's trail, quiz, cake and plant stalls.

South Close Fruit & Vegetable Stall: We will once again be putting surplus flowers and produce from our garden onto a stall at the corner of South Close and St Peter's Rd. Please put any donations through the letter box of Cambridge House and return any containers when you have finished with them. Money raised supports the Kate Community Centre in Gangasamy Kuppam, S.India and St Peter's church restoration fund.

Brian & Sue Spriggs

Arnesby C. of E. Primary School: Year 5 & 6 students decided to hold a competition to design a "bag for life" as a new fund raising project. They decided to draw a picture of Arnesby windmill and entries were judged by Mrs Sandford, the acting Headteacher and Mrs Dorian-Hurst, the new Headteacher. The winning entry was by Finn Kelly of Yr 6 and the bag is produced in the colours of the rainbow, to reflect the colours in the new school prospectus. The bags are on sale at Arnesby May Fayre and at the school Summer Fair on 8th July or from the school at £2.50 each. A "Bag for Life" is a must for the environment. Well done Finn and all the children.

Tracy Walker (Parent)



Finn Kelly with the "Bag For Life" and his winning Arnesby windmill design

Vacancies on the Governing Body: See page 9

REGULAR EVENTS

Morning Prayer - Tuesdays, 9:45am, in church

Baptist church Coffee Morning— Tuesdays 10.30-12.00

Parent & Toddler Group — village hall Fridays 10.00am -12.00 noon (contact 0116 2478745)

Arnesby Church Bells (contact 0116 2478982)

PETER WELTON has always reckoned artists improve with age. He was a bit taken aback recently, however, when he was celebrating his birthday in Sri Lanka and a well-meaning student of his handed him a birthday card which said "Happy birthday, Peter. Don't worry about getting old. It doesn't last very long!"

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Date	Event	Place	Time
I I I I A / Th	Churchyard Conservation Group: come along any time	St Mary's Churchyard	6:00-6:30pm
Wed 8th & 22nd	Mobile Library	The Plough	11:30-11:45am



"Buggy Service" at St Mary's church: A warm invitation for preschool children and their carers on Thu June 9th from 2:30pm-3:30pm. An informal service with stories, fun activities, singing and a chance to meet over a cup of tea or coffee with

biscuits. More details from Alex Montgomery and Lorna Gillies, or Rev'd Andrew Rhoades.



Celebrate the Birthday of the Church on Sunday 12th June at a teatime service:

All are welcome to an informal service of celebration for children and adults at 4pm at St Mary's Church, Bruntingthorpe. Activities, worship and refreshments with cakes.

Heritage Group: The open air services at Knaptoft begin again in June. These have been held in the 'summer' months since 1907. We believe a retired farmer, Mr Joseph Orton of Shearsby who was a native of Knaptoft first suggested holding the services in the ruins. The first four services were conducted by Mr Sharman a licensed lay reader from Leicester. Mary Arkell maryarkell@tiscali.co.uk

Summer Fete: Sat 11th June at 2:00pm. Once again Mr & Mrs wood have kindly offered their garden for St Mary's annual fundraising event. Come and enjoy the roses and traditional delights on offer: produce stalls, bottle stalls, bric-a-brac, competitions, raffle, teas, all to the accompaniment of the Lutterworth Silver Band. An afternoon of fun for the whole family! Entry £1 (children under 16 free). Residents will be notified of collection dates, but please start putting items aside— for white elephant, tom bola, bottles and cakes, both for the produce stall and homemade teas. Your help is needed and appreciated to make this afternoon a success.



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Date	Event	Place	Time
Sat 11th	Historical Society outing: See below	Cambridge	7:30pm
Tue 14th & 28th	Mobile Library		3:05-4:00pm
Sun 12th	The birthday of the Church	All Saints	11:00am
Wed 15th	Methodists coffee morning	25 High Street	10:00-12:00
Wed 29th	Luncheon Club: £7.50 each. Contact Janice to book or cancel (01858 880668)	Kilworth Springs Golf Club (24 hours notice needed)	12:30pm



Joint Husbands Bosworth School Awards Service with All Saints Church: Parents & carers of school children and the All Saints congregation are invited to the School awards service at All Saints Church on Wed 15th June at 2:30pm. A time of worship for the children and adults, followed by the presentation of awards.

Historical Society: The outing to Cambridge on Sat 11th June is open to non-members and anyone interested should contact Heather O'Connor on 880165. In Cambridge you are free to explore at your leisure. **Historical Society Garden Party:** Sun 3rd July at 6pm at Vine House (corner of Berridges Lane/High St). Further information from Heather as above.



Celebrate the Birthday of the Church: Sun 12th June. All are welcome to an informal service of celebration for Children and adults at 11am at All Saints Church. Activities, worship and refreshments.

Strawberry Teas: On Sat 18th June from 2:30-4:00pm in the garden of Gordon & Jackie Herbert, 10 Highcroft, Husbands Bosworth. Come and enjoy an afternoon in beautiful surroundings with views over surrounding country-side.

Margaret Scurrah, Husbands Bosworth Methodist Church

'Festival in the Park': Sat 25th June in Bosworth Hall Park from 10:30am. Stalls, activities, vintage engines and lots more. Come and join in our village's annual extravaganza which ends with a picnic and music in the garden of Bosworth Hall.

REGULAR EVENTS

Mid-week Holy Communion service— Wednesdays at 9.15 am, All Saints Church

All Saints Church Bells (contact 01858 880066)

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Honeypot pre-school group— term-time, All Saints Church and Community Hall (contact 01858 881143)

Whist drives in aid of All Saints— 1st Monday of month, 2.00 pm, Kilworth Springs Golf Club

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Date	Event	Place	Time
Thu 2nd, 16th & 30th	Afternoon teas	St Nicholas Church	3:00-4:30pm
Thu 2nd	Heritage Society: "Community Archae- ology & the Media" speaker Peter Liddle	Village hall	7:30pm
Wed 8th & 22nd	Mobile Library	Phone box	12:45-1:10pm
Tue 21st	Gardening Club: Visit to Mrs Alison Lowe's wild life garden/garden at Sulby (between Sibbertoft and Welford)	Meet there, followed by a pub meal at Red Lion, Sibbertoft	Arrive 6:00pm
Sun 26th	Refresh @ Mowsley: See below	Village hall	9:30-11:30am



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from Roy Oldham on 0116 2403900 or Reverend Andrew Rhoades on 01858 460150.

Afternoon Teas: The Thursday afternoon teas will finish for the summer break on 30th June. Thanks to all who provide the homemade cakes and organise these afternoons.

Royal Wedding Celebrations: These were a great success with the majority of the village residents taking part. The church was full to watch the ceremony and everyone joining in to sing along with the Westminster Abbey congregation.



Arnesby C.E. Primary School Vacancies on the Governing Body:

A newly constituted Governing Body of Arnesby C.E. Primary School is to be formed by September 2011. There are different categories of governors and there are vacancies for Parent Governors and Community Governors. Community Governors represent community interests and can be persons who live or work in the community served by the school, or persons who do not live close to the school but are committed to good governance and success of the school. To discuss being a Governor, or to submit a nomination, please contact the Clerk to Governors, Mr Gary Robinson on 0116 2404177 or email: gary.fiona@tiscali.co.uk

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Date	Event	Place	Time
Tue 7th & 21st	Mobile Library	Post Box	10:45-11:05am
Sat 11th June	Promises Auction	Village hall	7:30pm prompt

Auction of Promises: Sat 11th June. All welcome. The Auction list will be circulated round the village two weeks beforehand. Admission £2.50, pay on the door. Bring your own drinks, nibbles provided. All proceeds to St Mary Magdalene Church. To donate a promise or for more information contact David Durran 2478708 or Liz Austin 2478398.



Film in Shearsby Village Hall: The Big Screen came to Shearsby village hall on Sat 14th May, showing "The King's Speech". A great film, good company and food made for a very pleasant and profitable evening. Including a donation from Shearsby Community Association, we will be sending the fantastic sum of £864 to "Help For Heroes". Many thanks to everybody who contributed or helped in any way.

Ann Charles and Jill Stanley



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Terry Cane will be marking this event and his retirement from the Harborough Magistrates' Bench on reaching 70 this year, by cycling around all the courts in Leicestershire on Jun 5th—a distance of 76 miles. He will be looking for sponsorship for this event for the Children's Cancer Ward at Leicester Royal Infirmary.

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Date	Event	Place	Time
Sun 5th	Family communion	All Saints	11:00am
Tue 7th & 21st	Mobile Library	Station Road	12:45-1:00pm
Wed 8th	W.I. Speaker David Bell, "Ladies of Leicestershire"	Village Hall: visitors welcome- £3 includes refreshments	7:45pm

'Safari Garden Sale' in aid of 'LOROS' on Sun 5th June, 10am-2pm. A jumble sale with a difference, held in the comfort of people's gardens—have a wander and grab yourself a bargain! Maps cost £1 from the village hall 9:30am onwards. Parking, refreshments and toilets available at the village hall. More information from 07939 100120



Summer Barbeque: Hosted by Liz & Neville Colvin in their beautiful garden at The Manse on June 17th at 7:30pm. Please bring your own food and drink. There is no entrance charge but donations towards the village hall fund would be appreciated.



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Services at 10:45am and 6:00pm every Sunday. For full details of services see notice board in the Chapel.

Sunday School and Bible Classes every Sunday morning during 10.45 am service.

Fun Club: Fridays, 6:30pm-7:30pm

(5-11 years)

Youth Club: Fridays, 7:45pm-9:00pm

(12+)

Coffee morning: Tuesdays, 10:30-12.00



NEW! A.B.C. Toddler Group at the Chapel, starting Tue 7th June, 10:30-12noon

(at the same time as the coffee morning)

Moira Male Voice Choir: Sat 2nd July at 7:00pm.

<u>Husbands Bosworth Methodist</u> Church

Minister: Rev'd Brian Kennard

01858 462889

Service: 6.30 pm every Sunday

<u>Husbands Bosworth St Mary's Roman</u> Catholic Church

Father Owen O'Neill 01858 462359 Service: 8.30am every Sunday

Theddingworth Congregational Church

Contact: Liz Horton 01858 881250 Service: 6.00-7.00pm every Sunday joining with All Saints at their Family Service on first Sunday of the month.



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"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."



	June 2011				
Date	Type of service	Church	Village	Time	
Thu. 2nd June Ascension Day	Deanery Holy Communion with fireworks	St. Peter's	Arnesby	7:30pm	
Sun. 5th	Holy Communion (BCP)	St. Nicholas	Mowsley	8:00am	
Easter 7	Family Communion	All Saints	Husbands Bosworth	9:30am	
	Family worship	St. Mary M'lene	Shearsby	9:30am	
	Family Communion	All Saints	Theddingworth	11:00am	
	Family worship	St. Mary's	Bruntingthorpe	11:00am	
	Holy Communion	St. Peter's	Arnesby	6:00pm	
Sun. 12th	Family Communion	St. Mary M'lene	Shearsby	9:30am	
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entecost	All-age worship	All Saints	Husbands Bosworth	11:00am	
os t	Teatime all-age worship	St. Mary's	Bruntingthorpe	4:00pm	
	Evening worship	St. Nicholas	Mowsley	6:00pm	
Wed. 15th	School awards service	All Saints	Husbands Bosworth	2:30pm	
Sun. 19th Trinity Sunday	Benefice Family Communion	All Saints	Husbands Bosworth	11:00am	
Trinity Suriday	Open-air service	Church ruins	Knaptoft	3:00pm	
Sun. 26th	Holy Communion (quiet)	All Saints	Husbands Bosworth	8:00am	
Trinity 1	Family Communion	St Mary's	Bruntingthorpe	9:30am	
	Morning worship (quiet)	St. Mary M'lene	Shearsby	9:30am	
	Refresh @ Mowsley	Village hall	Mowsley	9:30am- 11:30am	
	Family Communion	St. Peter's	Arnesby	11:00am	
Sun. 3rd July	Services as on Sunday 5th June				



A short service of prayer and reflection is held at: St. Peter's, Arnesby on Tuesdays at 9:45am St. Nicholas, Mowsley on Thursdays at 9:45am

Mid-week services

A short service of Holy Communion is held at All Saints, Husbands Bosworth on Wednesdays at 9:15am





Buggy service for parents/carers and pre-school children at St. Mary's, Bruntingthorpe, on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 2:30pm