



Breaston Newsletter

| Autumn 2012



Breaston Community Forum

The Breaston Community Forum is an informal gathering of organisations within Breaston. The Forum started in January 2012, with the purpose of helping organisations to communicate, co-operate and celebrate together.

A website - *breaston.info* - has been created to bring together as much information about Breaston as possible. It includes a calendar of all the events happening in the village.

The next meeting of the Forum is on Wednesday 12 September, (which is probably after you receive this newsletter). Forum meetings are open to anyone in the village, whether or not you represent a village organisation. You can keep up with what the Forum is up to via their website: *breaston.info*.

Breaston Community Showcase and Coffee Mornings



Friday 28th Sept 9am onwards
in Firfield School

Saturday 29th Sept 10am to 12noon
in St Michael's Church Hall

***Come and find out about the different groups in Breaston -
for young, for old and for those in between!***

For more information or if you would like to showcase your group

please contact Breaston Community Forum:
either Jean Lupton (01332 874170, jeanlupton@gmail.com)
or Emma Franklin (emmarfranklin@hotmail.com)



Breaston website: *breaston.info*
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Parish Council

News The Parish Council has had a busy year so far, providing the three new box planters on Wilsthorpe Road. To commemorate the Diamond Jubilee they have erected a new Village Sign on the corner of Sawley Road, a village flag pole on the Memorial Garden, the Jubilee Commemorative bench outside the Chemist Shop (with the help of a grant through County Council member Robert Parkinson) and free Jubilee mugs for all of the children at Firfield Primary School.

Carols on Duffield

Close will be on Thursday 13 December at 7.00pm. The Salvation Army band will present, and mince pies and mulled wine will be served by your Parish Councillors. Father Christmas may even put in an appearance!

Budget cuts. The Parish Council faces budget cuts of 20% over the next two years after Erewash Borough Council reviewed its funding to Parishes. This is on top of a 5% reduction in the current year's budget.

Meetings are normally on the 2nd Monday of the month, starting at 7:30pm with the first 15 minutes open to questions from parishioners. Meetings are held in the Meeting Room on Blind Lane.

Village hall: the Parish Council are considering whether a Village Hall can be created. They would like your opinion, and ask you to complete the on-line survey at www.surveymonkey.com/s/JBBB8 (or see the *breaston.info* website).

Church News

St. Michael's Church

Sundays

8:45am (traditional)
10:15am (contemporary)
6:30pm (evensong)

Thursdays

9:30am Holy
Communion
7:00pm Meditative
service

The church is open to
visitors on Wednesdays
2:30-4:30pm & Saturdays
10:30am-12pm.

See notice board or www.stmichaelsbreaston.org.uk for
further details.

Rector: Rev'd Chris Smedley (☎ 872242)

Office: (☎ 872094 ✉ admin@stmichaels2008.plus.com)

All-age worship services

Want to come to church on a Sunday morning, but don't
know what to do with the kids? All-Age Worship services
are usually on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 10:15am: 14
Oct (Prize giving), 16 Dec (Nativity), 13 Jan (Christingle
service), 10 Feb, 10 Mar. (Note that there is no service in
November because of Remembrance Sunday). On other
Sundays after an initial song, children and young people
have their own groups in the Church Hall.

Special Services

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| Sun 11 Nov | Remembrance Sunday | 10:50am Memorial Garden, then St. Michael's Church |
| Sun 2 Dec | Advent Sunday | 6:30pm Advent Service at St. Giles, Sandiacre (joint Mission and Ministry Area service) |
| Sun 16 Dec | | 10:15am Nativity Play |
| Mon 17 Dec | | 7:00pm Community Carol Service |
| Sun 23 Dec | | 6:30pm Carol Service (Nine Lessons and Carols) |
| Mon 24 Dec | Christmas Eve | 4:00pm Crib Service 11:15pm Midnight Communion |
| Sun 25 Dec | Christmas Day | 9:45am Holy Communion |

Churches Together

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| Sun 11 Nov | Remembrance Sunday | 10:50am Memorial Garden, then St. Michael's Church |
| Mon 17 Dec | | 7:00pm Community Carol Service in St. Michael's Church |

Breaston Methodist Church

Sunday Services are at 10:30am Minister: Rev'd Judi Smart (☎ 0115 973 4474)

Special Services and Events

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| Sun 23 Sept | 10:30am | Harvest Festival |
| Sun 14 Oct | 6:00pm | 'Songs of Praise' - let Mr Les Barnard know your favourite hymn |
| Fri 19 Oct | 7:30pm | Concert by organist Phil Brown |
| Sat 27 Oct | 10am-3pm | Autumn Craft Fair. (Note: this is instead of the Christmas Market) |
| Sun 25 Nov | 6:00pm | Favourite hymns and songs |

Activities in the village

Good Neighbour Scheme



The Breaston Good Neighbour Scheme continues to provide a service to residents in the village. To make use of the scheme (which is free except for a mileage charge), simply ring 07821 657 684 and leave a message. Are you able to volunteer? Ring the same number!

Messy Church



Of special appeal to Reception to Year 6 and their families, Messy Church is thriving, with about 40 children and their families attending. Craft activities, singing, a story, food - what's not to enjoy? It takes place on 4th Mondays - next ones are on 24 Sept, 22 Oct and 26 Nov at 3:30pm in Breaston Methodist Church. ☎ 872753

www.stmichaelsbreaston.org.uk/MessyChurch

Community Carol Service

This was an enormously popular event last year - St. Michael's Church was packed. There were one or two spare seats, so come along this year on Monday 17 December at 7pm for an informal carol service, with carols old and new and maybe (just maybe) a surprise item!

Breaston W.I. has a varied programme of talks and events. Their aim is to provide a friendly, informative, non-political and

secular meeting for women of all ages to enhance their knowledge and benefit the community. It's a very popular group in the village, and is usually over-subscribed! They meet on 3rd Mondays at 7:30pm in St. Michael's Church Hall.

They are very proud to say that they achieved first place at the 2012 Derbyshire County Show in the WI Craft Co-operative competition (with the theme of The Diamond Jubilee), and also won the Novice cup as this was their first time of entering.

They also did very well in individual categories - including a First for the Knitted tea cosy, First, second and third for Lemon drizzle cake, First for Flower display in a teacup and Second and third for the necklace.

Quiz night: Friday 19 October, 7pm at Erewash Valley Golf Club. A great night out full of fun and laughter, and a prize or two! The evening starts with a meal at 7pm, and the quiz itself starts at 8pm. Enter your team of 4, at a cost of £10 per head. This includes the hot supper (lasagne etc). Contact Julie Rowlinson to enter your team.

Coffee morning: Saturday 3 November 10am-12noon in St. Michael's Church Hall - Cakes, stalls and a raffle.

The Lunch Club

Alternate Fridays from 11:00am to 2:00pm, the Lunch Club is for Breaston residents who are elderly, live alone and find it difficult to get out. It is an opportunity to come along for meal and have fun in congenial company. Please contact Thelma Mortimer on ☎ 873312 or Kathy Crockford on ☎ 874847. Transport can be provided if necessary.

The Scout Hall is available for lettings ☎ 872936

Evergreen Club for the over 60s meets on Tuesdays at 2:00pm in the Methodist Hall. Contact Sylvia ☎ 0115 973 3597 or Harry ☎ 874500.

Erewash Visually Impaired Club meets on Wednesdays (except 2nd Weds) at 2:00pm in the Methodist Hall. The Deaf-Blind Group meets fortnightly from 10:30am to 12:30pm. ☎ 873619.

Women's Fellowship

meet last Wednesday of the month, at 2:00pm in St. Michael's Church Hall. ✉ margaretfgregory@tiscali.co.uk ☎ 874880

The Village Singers

meet for rehearsals 7:30pm on Thurs in St. Michael's Hall. For further details ☎ 872753 or just turn up at a rehearsal - there is no audition.

Breaston Pre-School

Playgroup meets in St. Michael's Church Hall, Mon-Fri 9:15-11:45 & Mon/Thurs/Fri 12:45-3:15

☎ 874832, or see back page for website and email addresses.

A limited number of spaces is available for 2-5yr olds for the Autumn term.

Breaston Elder Citizens

Every Thursday 2-4pm, in the Scout Hall for outings, bingo and entertainment. Transport is available if needed. Contact Alma Moore ☎ 0115 849 7840.

And finally...

Fill in the blanks

To search is a way of life. The average person does it fifteen times a day. We search for car keys, glasses, TV remote, shoes, train times, restaurant tables, houses, partners even. Search engines are the first place you go for almost anything these days. But there are some things you can't google. Big questions like, 'Why am I here?' and 'Where am I headed?' The Alpha Course offers space for you to fill in the blanks to those questions.

The Alpha Course is an opportunity for anyone to explore the Christian faith. In some ways it's a bit like a search engine, but we like to see it more as a search party – it's relaxed, low-key and friendly. It's a place where people with questions can come and ask them, delve into issues and look for answers together. Each evening starts with a meal in a home, followed by a DVD on a topic such as "Who is Jesus?" or "Does God heal today?", finishing with coffee and discussion.

Come along to Trent Lock Golf Club on **Wednesday 26 September** for a two course meal and a talk on "Is there more to life than this?". As tickets are only £5, this is a great way to find out what Alpha "feels like". The course itself starts on Wednesday 3 October. Contact Jean Lupton on 874170 for tickets and further details.



Activities for the Young in Breaston

- Sun 10:15 St. Michael's Young Church and crèche. ☎ 873823
Mon 6:30pm Brownies in the Methodist Hall. Michelle Gregory ☎ 0115 972 5869
7:00pm Scouts in the Scout Hut ☎ 873912
Tues 5:00pm Rainbows in the Methodist Hall. Melanie Arden ☎ 875059
Wed 7:00pm Cubs for 8-10yr olds (in Scout Hut) ☎ 0782 443 0897
Thurs 6:00pm Beavers for 6-8yr olds (in Scout Hut) ☎ 0782 443 0897

Phone numbers

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| Social Events | 872203 |
| General Information | 875607 |
| Erewash VIP group | 873619 |
| Playgroup | 874832 |
| Scouts, Cubs & Beavers | 874866 |
| Rainbows & Brownies | 0115 972 5869 |
| Women's Institute | 875303 |
| Parish council | 870119 |
| This newsletter | 874170 |
| Women's Fellowship | 874880 |

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Breaston on the web

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| Breaston Community Forum | breaston.info |
| Erewash page for Breaston | www.erewash.gov.uk/LeisureCulture/TourismTravel/placesToVisit/breaston.htm |
| Breaston Parish Council | www.breastonparish.co.uk |
| St. Michael's Church | www.stmichaelsbreaston.org.uk |
| Breaston Gala | www.breastongala.org.uk |
| Good Neighbour Scheme | www.breastongns.org.uk |
| Breaston Pre-School Playgroup | www.breastonpreschoolplaygroup.org.uk |