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Thought For The Month

The first of March opens up the first day of Lent – Ash Wednesday. Lent is a period of spiritual renewal. God wants us to turn away from our old lives, seek more of his life, and re-focus our hearts and minds by looking in prayer towards spiritual realities so that we may know his love and truth. So maybe now is a good time to pause for a moment and think about our Lenten preparations. Are they designed to help us come closer to Christ so that we can more joyfully proclaim his resurrection on that glorious Easter morn?

Lent is not one of the most popular seasons of the year and maybe that is because people approach it in the wrong way. I hear things like; ‘O no! not Lent again. All those extra services and study groups that make me feel guilty because I don’t go to them. All those appeals to repent of sins which we can hardly remember and of which we don’t really feel guilty anyway. Then there is all that fasting and don’t do this and don’t do that stuff. It is a miserable time of year; it takes all the joy out of religion with all its emphasis on sin and repentance. I don’t need that stuff and anyway people don’t take it seriously these days do they?’

Why do people see Lent as a miserable season? It is because they only see it in terms of having to give up things that they don’t really want to give up. When we look at it in this negative way, in terms of what we lose, then we won’t enjoy it. If, however, we look at it in a positive way, in terms of what we gain, then Lent becomes a time of refreshment.

I thank God for the people who say to me; ‘Thank God for Lent, I look forward to it every year. Thank God for all the spiritual opportunities it brings and for the rich variety of worship it offers. Thank God for the opportunity to study a little deeper, a chance to meet with

fellow Christians, to pray together and discuss our faith, to listen to new ideas and different insights and viewpoints.’

Don’t let Lent slip by unnoticed and unobserved. Don’t neglect its invitations to prayer, to fasting, to giving; instead let’s be grateful for the demands it makes upon us, the warnings it gives us, and the opportunities it presents us with to take up our small crosses daily and follow our Crucified Redeemer.

At the beginning of the eighteenth century, when religious life in this country was almost at its lowest ebb, a man called Robert Nelson wrote a book called ‘A companion to the festivals and facts of the Church of England’. In it he says this about Lent:

“The design of the Church in this Order is that these forty days should be set aside as a proper season for notification and the exercise of self-denial . . . To pray frequently to God, both in private and public, for our sakes . . . Everyone should spend some time in fasting and abstinence. The public devotions should be constantly attended, we should be liberal with our alms, and we should frequently exercise ourselves in meditation of divine subjects, the best means to make all discourses from the pulpit effectual to our salvation.”

The measure of God’s love in us will depend entirely on the amount of space we allow God in us. It is our self-life, our self-centredness, self-consciousness, self-interest, that prevents his divine life from filling us. It is only as we allow God’s Holy Spirit to reveal and deal with our self-life, that we will experience and reflect his divine life. May this season of Lent be a time of blessing and growth for each one of us.

Rev Sam
Methodist Minister

Prayer

The Church families of St. Andrew's and Banwell Methodist Church will be praying for the people in your area on the following Sundays.



March

5th Wolvershill Road
12th West Garston
19th Castle Hill
26th Chesterfield Close

April

2nd Chestnut Close
9th Church Street

If you have any special prayers or concerns, whether for yourself, one of your family or for a neighbour (e.g. someone who is sick: getting married: seeking employment: going away to work or college: or in any kind of trouble or difficulty), please ring one of the following numbers either to have a chat, or leave a message, or make an appointment for one of us to visit you, or vice versa.

The Revd. Sam, 852314

The Revd. D. & Mrs. H. Lockyer 822320

Thank You

Linda Shields would like to thank all her customers at 'Hair Craft' for their loyalty and support over her past 20 years of business in West Street. Although now enjoying a well earned rest, Linda would like to remind her many friends that should they wish an appointment she can be contacted on 0799 9943179 to arrange a home appointment.

Vicar Retires

On Sunday 26th February the Revd. David Lockyer, vicar of St Andrew's Banwell, announced that he will be retiring as of 31st July 2006. We wish him and Heather a long and happy retirement.

Carnival 2006 - Can you lend a hand?

Banwell's 2005 Carnival was a great success, but a huge amount of work for a very small team. In addition, comments were made suggesting that funds raised should, or could, be spread more widely throughout our village. In an attempt to spread the workload, and the rewards, Hilary Evans has been contacting organisations in Banwell to entice them to take part in Carnival '06. Interest have been considerable, bringing new ideas and enthusiasm.

If your club or organisation has not been included so far, please excuse the oversight. Hilary would like to hear from any such groups, or in fact any individuals, who would like to make this Summer's events bigger and better than ever.

One important fact you should know about, is that Carnival will be held over two weeks, rather than the usual one, from Saturday 1st July through to Carnival Fair on Saturday 15th. This new arrangement is to make sure diaries don't become too crowded, to create space for new ideas and to allow event organisers to put their feet up, for a little while, between big events.

If you are interested in lending a hand please contact Hilary on 822087

Services In Our Churches

ST. ANDREW'S

	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
	3.30 pm	Evensong
1st Sunday	7.15 pm	Young at Heart
26th	10.00 am	Mothering Sunday

METHODIST

10.30 am	Morning Service & Sunday School
6.30 pm	Evening Service

ROMAN CATHOLIC Cheddar

Sunday	9.00 am	Mass
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From the Registers

Funerals:

February

9th Idwal Owen Llewellyn

March

1st Joseph Roy Quick

theeditor@banwellparishnews.org.uk

Banwell Playgroup for rising 3s-5yr. olds meets Monday to Friday during term-time 9.00am - 11.30am. For more information please contact the Playgroup on 823404 or Wendy Lloyd 820605.

Baby/Toddler Group meets every Friday morning 9.30am - 1.45am. at the Scout Hut.
Contact Jane Gomm 822972.

Banwell Fish Scheme: Chairman Mrs Dinah Harrison 822344. Lift Co-ordinator Mrs G Boddy 823621.

Village Hall Booking Secretary: Mr David Westlake 30 Knightcott Road, Banwell. Tel: 822433.

Youth & Community Centre Booking Secretary: Jo Duffy (parish clerk) 824210, email clerk@banwell.org

Methodist School Room Hire Bookings Tel: 822873 or 822066

Banwell-Potigny Twinning Assoc. Contact Jeanne Evans 823878

Banwell Bridge Club Contact: Roger Boland Tel: 820615 or Meg Tillotson Tel: 823252

Schoolboy Howlers

- Julius Caesar extinguished himself on the battlefields of Gaul. The Ides of March murdered him because they thought he was going to be made king. Dying, he gasped out "Same to you, Brutus."
- Joan of Arc was burnt to a steak and was canonized by Bernard Shaw for reasons I don't really understand. The English and French still have problems.
- It was an age of great inventions and discoveries. Gutenberg invented removable type and the Bible. Another important invention was the circulation of blood.
- Sir Francis Drake circumcised the world with a 100 foot clipper which was very dangerous to all his men.
- The greatest writer of the Renaissance was William Shakespeare. He was born in the year 1564, supposedly on his birthday. He never made much money and is famous only because of his plays. He wrote tragedies, comedies, and hysterectomies, all in Islamic pentameter.
- Writing at the same time as Shakespeare was Miguel Cervantes. He wrote Donkey Hotel. The next great author was John Milton. Milton wrote Paradise Lost. Since then no one ever found it.
- Johann Bach wrote a great many musical compositions and had a large number of children. In between he practiced on an old spinster which he kept up in his attic. Bach died from 1750 to the present. Bach was the most famous composer in the world and so was Handel. Handel was half German, half Italian, and half English. He was very large.

Banwell Gardening Club Spring Show

The Banwell Gardening Club Spring Show is being held in the Village Hall on Saturday 25th March 2006.

Exhibits of Spring Flowers, Crafts and a Baking Section, plus of course the children's section, means there should be something of interest to all.

Exhibits from all amateur gardeners in the village are welcome. You can download entry forms by clicking onto the gardening club web site www.banwell.info/ go to community directory & scroll down to gardening club website. Entry forms can also be picked up from the library, Vickerys or telephone the Show Secretary, Heather Taylor, on 511971.

In the afternoon there will be tea, coffee & home made cakes and a raffle. So come along & join in the fun, you never know, you might even win!!

Exhibits should be taken to the village hall between 8-30am & 10.00 am on the morning of the show. Judging starts at 10.15am.

Doors are open to the public for viewing at 2.30pm. Trophies will be presented at approx. 4pm. to the winning exhibitors.

We look forward to seeing you there. Bring your friends and family to support your village Spring Show.

My definition of a free society is a society where it is safe to be unpopular.

Adlai E Stevenson

Haircut

A minister, known for his lengthy sermons, noticed a man get up and leave during the middle of his message. The man returned just before the conclusion of the service. Afterwards the clergyman asked the man where he had gone. "I went to get a haircut," was the reply.

"But," said the minister, "why didn't you do that before the service?"

"Because," the gentleman said, "I didn't need one then."

Work

Every morning I get up and look through the Forbes list of the richest people in America. If I'm not there, I go to work.

Robert Owen

St Andrew's Church

Mothers' Union Lent Lunches

Thursday

9th March

16th March

23rd March

30th March

6th April

from 12.30 – 1.30pm

In Banwell Village hall

£2.00

All welcome

Village Websites

Banwell Village Website – www.banwell.info

Contact: Graham Found, email: graham@banwell.info Tel: 822619

Banwell Parish Council Website – www.banwell.org

Contact Jony Russell, email: wordsatwork@macunlimited.net Tel: 822715

The Friends of Banwell Primary School Website – www.banwell.info/friends

Westfield Residents Assoc - www.westfield.banwell.info

email westfield@banwell.info

Banwell Bowling Club Website – www.geocities.com/johnnyamos2002

Banwell Royal British Legion Website – www.rbl.banwell.info

Seniors Club

Our Annual General Meeting was held on the 26th January. May I take this opportunity to thank the members for re-electing the same committee as last year. It was a pleasure to serve in 2005 and we look forward to this year.

On the 22nd February a party of 23 had lunch at the "Whistling Duck".

Our entertainment this week was Tony May on the organ. Unfortunately it caught fire, but being a true artist, he continued on the piano.

This week we are donating cakes, sandwiches etc. for our Valentines Party. There will be a prize for the best decorated card.

For Easter we shall as usual decorate an egg, and we look forward to seeing the different designs. Good luck to all who enter, may the best egg win.

On The Web

The Parish News is now available on-line at [www.banwellparishnews.org.uk]. You can browse the current issue or download back issues. There is also the facility to view or download the pictures that have appeared in the magazine over the past six months. You can also email us direct from the website. The website will be updated in line with the printed copy.

Cats

Behind every cat that crosses the road, there is a dog saying, "Go on, you can make it."

Dogs believe they are human. Cats believe they are God.

Gardening Tips For March



Prune bush roses, remove weak, dead and crossing growth. Remaining stems should be shortened to a strong outward facing bud. Lift and divide overcrowded clumps of herbaceous perennials. Trim winter heathers and remove faded flowers. Under cloches, in pre-warmed soil, sow broad beans, carrots, peas, onions, radish, parsnips and other early crops. In heated greenhouse sow bedding plants. Weather permitting, give the lawn its first light cut of the season. Sow hardy annuals in prepared ground by sowing direct – they will need little watering.

Outing To Dartmouth & Strete Flower Festival

On Saturday 3rd June a coach will be leaving Banwell Village Car Park at approximately 8.30 a.m. and returning about 6.30 p.m. The cost will be in the region of £8 per person or less depending on numbers. For those of you who wish to continue to Strete to see the Flower Festival which Shirley Allister is organising there will be lunches available at extra cost in the Village Hall opposite the Church. Seats on the coach will be allocated on a first come first served basis. For bookings and further information please telephone Sonia Mitchell (820460).

News From The Gardening Club

Last month members enjoyed an interesting talk, with slides, on Camellias given by Dr George Hargreaves. He told us an important species is Camellia Sinensis, the Tea Plant, one of our favourite beverages. There are many ornamental camellias growing in the mountains of Japan and other parts of the world, many of them growing to a height of 30ft or more. There are also many smaller specimens which can be grown in our gardens or in a container, with colours from pure white through various shades of pink to red – and the evergreen foliage is always attractive. We were able to see the beautiful colours on the many slides we were shown.

Next month we shall meet on Thursday 23rd March when our talk will be 'Daffodils - an in depth view' with Jackie Petherbridge. Meeting starts at 7.30pm in the village hall. Everyone made welcome. We shall be having the usual raffle – prizes much appreciated – and mid-evening refreshments. We also invite you to our Spring Show on Saturday 25th March as a competitor or visitor. If you wish to find out more please ring Eileen on 822433

Did You Know

There are a thousand times more living things in the sea than there are on land.

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Methodist.	Rev. Sam, Wesley Manse, Dinghurst Rd, Churchill	852314
Roman Catholic.	Rev. Fr. Peter Slocombe, The Presbytery, Tweentown, Cheddar	742564

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MONDAY 6th MARCH 2006
in the VILLAGE HALL
7.30 pm

Any resident
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9 Elected Members

Harvest Supper 2006

Moves are afoot to resurrect the Village Harvest Supper and the Village Hall has been booked for Saturday 23rd September in the evening. The aim is to provide a really good traditional Harvest Supper with lots of food, some light entertainment and a chance for the village to have a really good night out. We are now looking for some willing volunteers to make this a roaring success. If you would like to help in any way please contact Sonia Mitchell (820460) or David Edwards (822919).

Mothers' Union

The theme of our prayers this year, as suggested by the Diocese of Bath and Wells MU, is focused upon 'Answering God's call' for us in our own lives and in our families, our churches, communities, our nation and for the world. That seems pretty comprehensive to me.

In our prayers we remembered that Our Lord has no hands on earth but ours, from the prayer of St Teresa, and we recalled Paul's letter to the Corinthians regarding our Spiritual gifts. We all, without exception, have these gifts, if we use them.

Josie read the interesting passage from Proverbs Chapter 31 beginning at verse 10 'The Good Wife.' Although written some thousands of years ago it seems very appropriate today when women are running homes, families, careers and trying to support husbands in their crucial endeavours. Never has there been a time, as now, that every member of a family needs to pull their weight, help each other and work selflessly to keep families together and happy. So many families do not survive the strain with nearly half ending in divorce.

We heard of many casualties of broken families and great unhappiness from our speaker, Helen Warwick from the Christian Alliance Homes. There are several such homes in this part of Somerset providing help and refuge for young people whose lives have become catastrophic due to many and varied circumstances. Eventually, with this support, they are sometimes able to rebuild their lives

again. This is a great and noble work requiring great patience and selflessness.

Regarding our future programme, we had considerable concerns due to the extensive road closures in Banwell for eight weeks from March 13th. However, we came to the conclusion that we will do our best to proceed as usual.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th March, 2.30pm in the Village Hall. Our first Lent Lunch will be on Thursday March 9th 12.30-1.30pm and also 16th, 23rd, 30th March and 6th April. We look forward to seeing you in spite of the road works! Our Lady Day Service will be held at All Saint's W-s-M on 23rd March {Banners} followed by tea etc.

On the 12th April Mrs Pearl Hunt will be our Speaker. In May our meeting will be postponed until September, more details later.

Scouts & Guides

Family Quiz Night.

Saturday 18th March in the Scout and Guide Headquarters. Get a team together with family and friends to exercise your brain, and have a fun evening. Buffet included – bring your own wine or beer.

Soft drinks, tea and coffee on sale. Tickets from Banwell News. Adults £3, children over 3 years £2. Proceeds to assist with the cost of the new roof. Come and join us!

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Fair Trade Event
Saturday 11th March
Bowling Club
0900 - 1200

As part of Fair Trade Fortnight there will be a sale of Traidcraft Goods in the Bowling Club between 09.00 and 12.00. These will be mostly foodstuff, but with a selection of other goods from their catalogue.

Tea and coffee will be available with biscuits and cakes, all fairly traded, of course.

There will also be a raffle.

Do come and enjoy!



Persistence

A small boy is sent to bed by his father. Five minutes later:

"Da-aaad..."

"What?"

"I'm thirsty. Can you bring drink of water?"

"No, you had your chance. Lights out."

Five minutes later: "Da-aaaad..."

"WHAT?"

"I'm THIRSTY- Can I have a drink of water?"

I told you NO! If you ask again, I'll have to spank you!!"

Five minutes later: "Daaaa-aaaad..."

"When you come in to spank me, can you bring a drink of water?"

SRI LANKAN MEAL

Saturday April 8th

In the Methodist Church

at 12-30pm

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Tsunami Appeal

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Did You Know

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So why does coffee give you that extra buzz? Because it contains caffeine, which belongs to the same group of chemicals as morphine, cocaine and strychnine. The caffeine blocks an enzyme in the cells which dampens down the effects of the fight-or-flight hormone, adrenaline. This means that adrenaline continues to act on the cells for hours, instead of minutes.

Too much coffee drinking is not good for you. Major organs and muscles can go into overdrive. Coffee can also interfere with the absorption of certain nutrients, and prolonged use of coffee can damage the liver.

Caffeine is mildly addictive and you can expect withdrawal symptoms if you quit suddenly. Cutting down gradually is probably the best thing. There are no 'safe' recommended levels of coffee, because individual tolerance varies.

Advice

When a man comes to me for advice, I find out the kind of advice he wants, and I give it to him.

Josh Billings

Beauty or Breakfast ?

When did you last sit down to have breakfast with your family? It seems that nowadays less than a third of parents eat with their children in the mornings. Nearly one in two adults breakfast alone, while one in five skips breakfast completely.

The survey, based on more than 2,300 people and carried out on behalf of British cereal growers, also found that women put beauty before food. Women value up to an hour each morning on their own, spending it in the shower, fixing their hair, putting on make-up and getting dressed.

This worries psychologists. Prof Geoffrey Beattie, of Manchester University, says: "The findings reveal a worrying obsession with oneself, rather than interacting with one's partner or family. Women would feel much better about themselves by sharing their plans or thoughts for the day with their family. Grabbing a quick bite whilst dashing out the door isn't the best way to start the day."

40 per cent of men, on the other hand, admit that they get up and out of the house within 30 minutes of getting out of bed. So perhaps not much time for caring/sharing there, either!

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A boy came home from his first day at school. "So what did you learn?" asked his mother.

"Not enough. They want me to come back tomorrow."

Warm Welcome For Bishops



Bath & Wells Diocese has a 28 year-old Companion Link with the five Dioceses of the Anglican Church in Zambia, in Central Africa. As part of this, St Andrew's Church in Banwell has a link with the parishes of St Francis and St Clare in Chililabombwe, in the Diocese of Northern Zambia. In January all five of the bishops of the Zambian Anglican Church came to the UK to attend a conference in Canterbury, and were able to spend a few days in Somerset first. During their time in the UK three of the bishops stayed in Banwell, and are pictured here with Mrs Dinah Harrison, who corresponds regularly with Mrs Ngalande in Chililabombwe. They are Bishop David Njovu of Lusaka, Bishop Derek Kamukwamba of Central Zambia, and Bishop Albert Chama of Northern Zambia. All three have visited Banwell before, and enjoyed meeting old friends and making some new ones at an informal supper at Dinah's home during their visit. For further information about our link with the church in Zambia contact Jenny Humphreys on 01934 822052.

Nave Sanctuary- the Court's Decision

The December Parish News reported that the application by the Vicar and Churchwardens to make major alterations to the front of the nave was with the Consistory Court for adjudication.

Among the arguments against the application were contentions that the proposed large-scale alterations were not necessary; and that, architecturally, the historic character of St. Andrews would be affected - not just by the introduction of the new works, but also by altering the grouping and balance of its medieval furnishings. The Court agreed; and permission to proceed with the proposed works has been refused.

In his Judgement, the Chancellor indicated that if at some stage the Petitioners wished to put fresh proposals before the Court, they would need to be "less ambitious" and "to address the concerns of those who have given independent advice in the matter." Among those concerns had been the height and large size of the intended nave platform, as well as the proposal to re-site four medieval pews.

In reply to an enquiry, a separate letter to myself reads: "If fresh proposals are brought forward there will be public notice of them (as well as appropriate consultation with the amenity societies) so that parishioners and other interested parties will have the opportunity to make their views known to the Court."

Stan Rendell

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The group surrounded a dog. Concerned lest the boys were hurting the dog, he went over and asked "What are you doing with that dog?"

One of the boys replied, "This dog is just an old neighbourhood stray. We all want him, but only one of us can take him home. So we've decided that whichever one of us can tell the biggest lie will get to keep the dog."

Of course, the minister was taken aback. "You boys shouldn't be having a contest telling lies!" he exclaimed. He then launched into a ten minute sermon against lying, beginning, "Don't you boys know it's a sin to lie," and ending with, "Why, when I was your age, I never told a lie."

There was dead silence for about a minute. Just as the minister was beginning to think he'd gotten through to them, the smallest boy gave a deep sigh and said, "All right, give him the dog."

A gossip is one who talks to you about others; a bore is one who talks to you about himself; and a brilliant conversationalist is one who talks to you about yourself.

Lisa Kirk

W I

After a recent visit to Banwell School our Craft Ladies have been asked by the Headmaster to go along again in March to help the children design and make cards and toys with an Easter theme. We are really looking forward to going back to school as we thoroughly enjoyed helping the children last time.

A talk by Mrs Ann Bowring on Tynesfield was much appreciated by members and, judging by the number of questions she answered, her talk was a great success.

Our competition for a poster advertising 'Farmers Markets' was well supported and Jean Simms' and Maureen Hobbs' entries will go forward to the Group Competition. Good luck to them both.

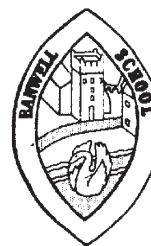
At the next meeting in March Mrs Pauline Alvis will come along and tell us of her experiences in cheese-making.

Thunder

One summer evening during a violent thunderstorm a mother was tucking her son into bed. She was about to turn off the light when he asked with a tremor in his voice, "Mommy, will you sleep with me tonight?" The mother smiled and gave him a reassuring hug. "I can't dear," she said. "I have to sleep in Daddy's room." A long silence was broken at last by his shaky little voice: "The big sissy."

The human brain starts working the moment you are born and never stops until you stand up to speak in public.

George Jessel



Year 1 Why Mums Are Special

My Mum is special because she is good at cooking and helps my friends. I like playing games with her.

Luke



she waves at me.

My Mum is special and she is cuddly. I like going out with her. Every day she gives me a cuddle and a kiss. She always smiles and

Olivia



My Mum is special because she helped me to paint my room.

Ross

Myra

My Mum is special because she plays football with me.

Elizabeth



My Mum helps me make toast and good pictures. I love my Mum.

William



My Mum is special because she loves me and helps me make things.

Sally-Anne

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MONDAY

13th	7.30 pm	Parish Council	*	V.H.
27th	7.30 pm	“ “	*	Meth. Hall
Weekly	10.00 am	Keep Fit & Tap Dancing	*	V.H.
Weekly	6.45 - 8.15 pm	Cub Scouts	*	Scout Hall
Weekly	6.00 - 8.45 pm	Beginners & Advanced Yoga	*	V.H.

TUESDAY

28th	7.30 pm	Banwell Flower Arranging Group - “Wild Flowers” Slide Show by Margarete Earl	*	Meth. Hall
Weekly	4.30 - 5.30 pm	Beavers	*	Scout Hall
Weekly	10.00 am	Mendip Art Group (term time only)	*	V.H.
Weekly	1.00 - 3.30 pm	Playgroup	*	P. H.
Weekly	5.45 - 7.15 pm	Brownies	*	V.H.
Weekly	7.00 - 9.00 pm	Guides	*	Scout Hall

WEDNESDAY

1st & 15th	1.30 - 3.30 pm	Baby Clinic	*	V.H.
8th	2.30 pm	Mothers' Union - A.G.M.	*	V.H.
8th	7.15 pm	Royal British Legion	*	Scout Hall
Weekly	7.30 pm	Bell Ringing Practice	*	St. Andrews
Weekly	8.00 pm	Banwell Sequence Dance Club	*	V.H.
Weekly	1.30 pm	Bridge Club	*	V.H.
Weekly	1.30 - 3pm	Baby & Toddler Group	*	P.H.

THURSDAY

9th, 16th, 9th & 23rd	10.00 am	Banwell Short Mat Bowling	*	V.H.
2nd & 16th	7.30 pm	“ “ “ “	*	V.H.
9th	7.00 pm	W.I. Speaker: Mrs P Alvis “Cheese Making”	*	V.H.
23rd	7.30 pm	Gardening Club - Speaker: Jackie Petherbridge “Daffodils - an in depth view”	*	V.H.
Weekly	7.30 - 10.00 pm	Youth Club (term time only)	*	Y.C.C.
Weekly	1.00 - 3.30pm	Playgroup	*	P.H.
Weekly	2.30 pm	Seniors' Club	*	V.H.
Weekly	5.30 - 6.30 pm	Rainbows	*	Scout Hall

FRIDAY

10th	7.30 pm	Archaeology Society – Speaker: Mr William Evans “Hannah More’s Parents (A Preview)”	*	V.H.
Weekly	7.30 - 9.30 pm	Scouts	*	Scout Hall
Weekly	9.30 - 11.45 am	Baby & Toddler Group	*	Scout Hall

SATURDAY

25th	2.30 pm	Spring Show	*	V.H.
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SUNDAY

Weekly	11.00 am	Judo Club	*	Y.C.C.
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Abbreviations: * Visitors Welcome; **V.H.** Village Hall; **M.H.** Methodist Hall; **P.H.** Playgroup Hall; **Y.C.C.** Youth and Community Centre.

Bathtub Test

The young chaplain was paying his first visit to the ward for mentally troubled patients. He asked the director what the criteria was which defined whether or not a patient should be institutionalized.

“Well,” said the Director, “we fill up a bathtub, then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the patient and ask him or her to empty the bathtub.”

“Oh, I understand,” said the chaplain. “A normal person would use the bucket because it’s bigger than the spoon or the teacup.”

“No,” said the Director. “A normal person would pull the plug....”

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