

Narborough Congregational Church



March & April 2008

CONGRATULATIONS!!

George and Audrey Price celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Saturday 24th April.



It was on a lovely sunny day in 1948 at 3pm in the York Road Methodist Church. Church Gresley near Burton-on-Trent where George and Audrey started their married life together. They first met 18 months earlier when George walked into a confectioners shop in Ashby where Audrey was manageress. George had just come out of the Navy and they both said "It was love at first sight". 6 weeks later they were engaged. They told me that they are still in love today but it 'doesn't stop the occasional grumble'!

Audrey didn't have any coupons for a wedding dress so she wore a suit which was pale blue with navy trimmings. George wore a grey suit. George's best man was his friend from the Navy Frank Martin and Audrey had George's 2 sisters as bridesmaids and they wore pink.

Audrey didn't carry a bouquet on her wedding day but instead carried her father's mother of pearl Bible. As they were both getting on the bus that evening to go to their flat in Ashby Audrey's father presented his Bible to his daughter as a gift! They didn't have a honeymoon until later in the year when they went to London.

The manager at the confectioners shop where Audrey first worked in Church Gresley made the horseshoe shape, 3 tiered wedding cake and after it had been displayed in the shop window it to George & Audrey as a gift. The reception was held in a function room above the shop in Church Gresley.

Their family was made complete in 1951 when their twin daughters Jane & Margaret were born. They have since been blessed with one grand-daughter, 3 grandsons and 2 great grandsons.

George says “Audrey is lovely, I love everything about her...she’s my queen”. Audrey says “George is a kind and thoughtful man and was always ready to help the girls with their problems.

When asked what was their advice for a happy and successful marriage such as theirs they both replied “Take life as it comes and work things out together”.

Many congratulations to both of you. We all hope you have a wonderful day.....you both deserve it. Lots of love from Deb Sawyer and all your friends at Narborough Congregational Church





Any guesses as to who this cute little fella is?

SUNSET PHOTOGRAPH

The photograph on the front cover was taken by Mick on a recent holiday in the Caribbean. This was one of many beautiful sunsets admired from the balcony of the cabin. Just as we are individually made so is each sunset. The beauty of God's creation should never cease to amaze us after all we are *fearfully and wonderfully made* Psalm 139:14.

Women's World Day of Prayer **7th March**

2.00pm: St James, Huncote

7.30pm: Narborough Congregational Church
Refreshments afterwards. In the Robjohn Hall

PLAYING WITH WORDS

Debs has been banging on a bit lately about being Christ in the community. I wholeheartedly agree with her! If we want to reach people with the good news that Jesus can help us re-establish our relationship with God, then we have to get real and stretch out our hands to help them. Debs was making the point that we need to find TIME for people; be it a minute, an hour, a day, a week.....

You all know how I love words, and playing about with words, and it came to me that an anagram of TIME is EMIT. To emit is 'to give out'. This is what we must do, we must give out Jesus to the community. We must be His presence as we spend time with the people He loves.

Another anagram of TIME is MITE. And this led me to think about the 'Widow's mite' in Mark 12:42. The widow put her mite into the treasury box. This was the smallest coin and to the treasury accountant would be worthless, but to the widow it was all she had. A great sacrifice, for it meant that she would probably not eat that day. That is how we must use our TIME; sacrificially. It must cost us something. If we all put our mite's into the treasury they cease to be worthless individual 'coins' and become a great source in the community.

The third anagram of TIME is ITEM. An item is an individual thing. One on it's own, unique, unaccompanied, isolated. The people we are trying to reach are just that. Unique, each with their own personalities, needs and problems. If we can reach out and touch just ONE PERSON WITH ONE ACT, we will have behaved as Christ in the community.

Enid Lee

Services

Start time 10.00am unless otherwise stated

2nd March:
Communion
Mick Sawyer
Mother's Day

9th March
John Moore

16th March
Deb Sawyer
Palm Sunday

20th March: 7.15pm
Deb Sawyer
Maundy Thursday

23rd March:
Deb Sawyer
Easter Day

30th March
Mark North
Interserve

6th April
Graeme & Fran Wylie
Restoration

13th April: Communion
Deb Sawyer
Ezra & Nehemiah

20th April: 3.00pm
Simon Matthews

27th April
Enid Lee
Ezra Chapter 1

Churches Together: Good Friday Service

21st March

10.00am Parade of witness from Littlethorpe Square to Narborough Congregational Church for short service. Hot Cross Buns and drinks in Robjohn Hall afterwards.

Flower Rota

2nd March

8 O'clock Club

9th March

Deb & Mick Sawyer

16th March

Chris Biggs

23rd March

Enid Lee

29th March

Mary Grubb

5th April

Peggy Hall

12th April

19th April

George & Audrey Price

26th April



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to the following folks during March:

Jean & Mick both on 3rd; Jack Rathbone is 9 on the 8th, Dora Bramley is a little older on 14th and so is Audrey Price on 19th.

April is quite a busy month in the Lee and Rathbone households as Grace is 8 on the 8th, Grandad Maurice is a little older on 9th and older brother Ashley is 17 on 22nd. It's Hilary's birthday on 19th and Katie Taylor is 15 on 23rd.

Hope you all have a good day.

WEDDING: Saturday 8th March at 12pm

Lesley & Deb are asking you to pray for Lisa Williams and Steve Cobby and their families as they embark on this new chapter in their lives. The coffee morning has been cancelled on this day due to the church being needed for the wedding ceremony.

Normal Weekly Activities

Family Worship:	Sundays	10.00am
Church open for prayer:	Sundays from	9.00am
	Mondays from	7.30pm
	Thursdays from	10.15am
8 O'clock club:	Tuesdays	7.30pm
Freedom in Christ	Wednesdays	1.30pm
Pete's Coffee Bar:	Thursdays	11.00am-12.30pm
First Step's	Thursday's	7.30pm

Forthcoming Events

Women's World Day of Prayer	Friday 7th March	7.30pm
Leaders Meeting	Monday 10th March	7.30pm
EMA Spring Assembly; Yelvertoft	Saturday 15th March	2.30pm
Church Meeting	Monday 17th March	7.30pm
Plumblin Leaders Meeting	Thursday 6th March	12.00pm
Missionary Weekend	Saturday 29th March	6.00pm
Restoration Weekend	Saturday 5th April	10.00am
Leaders Meeting	Monday 14th April	7.30pm
Church Meeting	Monday 21st April	7.00pm

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