

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 22nd May – Fourth Sunday after Easter

Welcome to our **Family Service** this morning, led by the Rector with Tim Holden playing for our singing. Thank you to both of you. Please join us for coffee and a chat after the service.

The reading for this morning is:

John 14 vs. 1 - 6.

THURSDAY GROUP meets this week for tea at Brandlings, Pound Hill on Thursday, 26th May. Everyone is welcome.

NEWS

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION GROUP

Please see the Rector's Newsletter (to be found on the bookcase – this month it is printed on yellow paper). The **Deanery Confirmation Service** is on **October 6th** this year and will be led by the Bishop of Buckingham. In our Benefice there will be a preparation group. If you are interested please contact the Rector or Jeremy.

THIS is the end of CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Thank you to everyone who was able to give to support the work of the appeal. Thank you, also, to Phillipa for making the arrangements for the collectors.

LAST NIGHT, here in the Church there was a wonderful concert given by our talented local musicians who come together on the day and perform in the evening. They were supported by the Kaznowski Wind Quintet and performed a varied programme including Mozart's Gran Partita. Thanks to Jerry Breslin and Robin and Rosie Dawson for arranging the concert that raised a good sum for the Macmillan Nurses as the chosen charity.

WASTE PAPER COLLECTION

The next collection will take place next Saturday, 28th May. We are receiving £60 per tonne for both newsprint and paper and also cardboard, so it is well worth the effort of bundling and taking your waste down to the collection containers at Lower Rectory Farm, next to the Best Butchers Shop. Thank you to everyone who contributes to this collection and who helped to load the lorry recently. The latest collection yielded 6.4 tonnes, so church funds will receive £384. This is a brilliant sum and many, many thanks go to Frank Kinsey who collects the papers around the village and makes the arrangements for the lorry collection. Thanks also to the Mike and Julia Turner for making the collection facilities available to us. **Keep your papers and cardboard coming – never throw them away – thank you!**

MUSIC IN THE BRICKHILLS

Please support the forthcoming concert on June 12th at Little Brickhill Church when the Neilsen Wind Quintet will perform. Tickets are available from Robin Dawson:- Tel: 261425, e-mail: robin.rosie@zen.co.uk. Also, it is not too early to put the date for Handel's Messiah into your diary. Do not plan **anything** for **September 25th!!**

MUSIC IN QUIET PLACES

This annual programme of concerts and recitals held on summer Saturdays in May, June and July in local churches in Aylesbury Vale is underway. The brochure of dates and venues is on the bookcase. Please help yourself to one if you are interested.

NEXT SUNDAY, 29th May, there will be a United Benefice Service of Holy Communion at 10am at Bow Brickhill.

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