

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 17th July – Fourth Sunday in Trinity

Welcome to our service of **Holy Communion** today. The service is led by Father Colin Griffiths with Brother Samuel Monyamne assisting at Communion and preaching the sermon. We would like to welcome Brother Samuel to our service this morning. Thank you to you both and also to Jerry Breslin, who is playing the organ this morning.

Please stay for tea or coffee and a chat after the service.

The readings are:-

Isaiah 44 vs. 6 – 8;

Romans 8 vs. 12 – 25; and

Matthew 13 vs. 1 - 9, 18 – 23.

THIS WEEK

THURSDAY GROUP: The last meeting before the summer break will be held on Thursday, 21st July, when the Group will visit Frost Garden Centre for afternoon tea. Please meet at Knightleys, Heath Road, at 2pm to arrange transport. A cream tea will be served at 3pm.

THE SCHOOL LEAVERS' SERVICE will also be held at 9.30am on Thursday 21st July. Everyone is welcome to come.

NEWS

John began his two week summer break last week. We wish him a happy and restful time. If you need to speak to a member of the clergy while John is away please contact me on 261527.

The Paper Collection

We have now received the money for the second of the Newspaper Collections in April and May. The total for the two collections was £619, and the cardboard collection raised £235. Please collect all your paper and cardboard and take it to Lower Rectory Farm or contact Frank Kinsey on 261826 for collection. We are getting such good prices at the moment and the money raised helps greatly with the running costs of the church.

Last week many of us enjoyed **A Walk in the Countryside**, led by Michael Turner, at Rectory Farm followed by a huge Farmhouse Breakfast cooked by Julia. Donations were invited and £250 was collected (plus Gift Aid) for the Church's running costs. Thank you to Michael and Julia for organizing such a successful event and making us so welcome.

Hazel Hankins

It is with much sadness that we have to report that **Hazel Hankins**, died last Saturday morning. Hazel worshipped regularly here and was a faithful member of many village groups. She was a good friend of this church and its congregation and we will miss her greatly. She was born here and lived her long and happy life here. Our thoughts go to her family.

THE NEXT FUND-RAISING EVENT for the Church will be held on **Saturday, September 10th**. We will be participating in the Bucks Historic Churches Walk and Ride and there will be a Bar-B-Q afterwards to restore the inner man and woman after the exertions! Please put the date in your diary and persuade your friends to join you for an interesting day out in good company.

NEXT SUNDAY, 24th July, there will be a **Family Service at 11am**, led by the Rector.

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