

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 7th August – The Seventh Sunday in Trinity

Welcome to our celebration of **Holy Communion** this morning, led by Father Colin Griffiths.

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

The readings today are:-

1 Kings 19 vs. 9 – 18;
Romans 10 vs. 5 – 15; and
Matthew 14 vs. 22 – 33

THIS WEEK

Drop-In is as usual on Monday afternoon at the Parish Hall. On Tuesday 9th August, the Church Inspection will be carried out by Bobbie Ward.

NEWS

As August rushes by we will soon be in a busy and exciting season of activities organized by various groups associated with the Church.

THE NEXT FUND-RAISING EVENT for the Church will be held on **Saturday, September 10th** when 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. Details are on the bookcase near the door. There will be a bike ride and (possibly) three conducted walks of varying length and ease, depending on demand and interest. Valerie Vestergaard has kindly agreed to 'Church sit' and welcome visitors to Saint Mary's and offer some refreshments.

Thursday Group returns for a New Season on Thursday, 15th September, with tea at Knightleys, Heath Road. Please contact Betty if you need details (261836). The Group will meet

fortnightly thereafter. The new and varied programme will be announced soon.

Then, on **Sunday, September 25th** there is the annual performance of '**Messiah**' at **Great Brickhill**. Plans are being made to change the arrangements slightly – and the details will follow.

On **Friday, 30th September**, the annual **MacMillan Coffee Morning** will be held at 14 Holts Green, with Bring and Buy, Cake and Book stalls and tombola and greetings cards and much more – and also, coffee and chat!!!

Sunday 2nd October is Harvest Sunday. There will be a service of Common Worship Holy Communion at 11am, led by the Rector with Sister Hazel, followed by a **Harvest Lunch** in the Parish Hall to which everyone is warmly invited. The service will launch a month-long series of celebrations in services to mark the 400th Anniversary of the publication of the King James' Bible.

News about Christmas will follow soon.....

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.

NEXT SUNDAY, 14th August, there will be **Morning Worship** held at 10am, led by Jane Castle and **Evensong** at 6pm, led by the Rector with Phillipa preaching the sermon.

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