

# **The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill**

## **SUNDAY 26th February – The First Sunday in Lent.**

Welcome to everyone for our **Family Service** this morning, led by the Rector with Tim Holden playing for our singing. This will be the first of the five Sunday services in Lent where the readings will be those used for the Lent Discussion Groups. The readings are taken from **Isaiah Chapter 40** and today all five of these Lent readings will be used at various points throughout the service.

## **THIS AFTERNOON**

### **THE SECOND OF THE SNOWDROP WALKS WILL BE HELD THIS AFTERNOON.**

**The Second Snowdrop Walk** will take place at the usual location. Please come and bring your neighbours and your friends. All the donations given will be for the running costs of the Church.

**THE FIRST SESSION OF THE LENT COURSE, PRECEDED BY A SIMPLE LUNCH** will be held this coming Thursday (1<sup>st</sup> March) at 51A Lower Way. The details of the theme for the course and the session are given in the leaflet that can be found on the bookcase. All are welcome to either the lunch or the discussion session or both, but please contact the host know by the day before the session if you wish to come for the lunch:- **Tel: 261592 or e-mail: [vafutcher@hotmail.com](mailto:vafutcher@hotmail.com).**

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Please note these special dates:-**

**Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> April:**

**The PLANT FAYRE WILL BE HELD ON Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup> from noon until 4pm, in the Parish Hall. Please tell your friends and pot up your plants for the village plant stall.**

**Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April:**

**The Annual Church Meeting will be held on Tuesday April 24<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Church. All are welcome to attend.**

## **NEWS**

**THE FIRST SNOWDROP WALK, held last Sunday raised the most wonderful total of £883, (much of this gift aided and so raising even more for the church running costs). The success of the afternoon was due in part to the exceptionally fine and sunny weather that showed off the snowdrops that were looking their best – and the excellent teas served in the church. Our thanks go to those who made it possible and for all who helped on the afternoon.**

**The Rector has recently returned from his visit to the Holy Land. We welcome him back and are looking forward to hearing all about his tour and his adventures.**

**CHANGE TO SERVICE TIMES: From March 4<sup>th</sup>, the service held on the first Sunday of the month (Prayer Book Holy Communion) will start at 11am.** The change will enable those who are less mobile to get to the church for the service and it will also enable the Rector to take this service every other month.

**Your recently delivered Parish Newsletter for March did not contain details of the Church Service for March.** Due to a technical fault the service schedule was omitted from the centre left page of the Newsletter. Copies of the schedule that should have appeared on that page are available on a pink handout on the bookcase near the door. The schedule has been uploaded onto the website as usual (in the "Great Brickhill" section – on the "Service Schedule GB" page).

**Next Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> March, AT 11 AM** there will be a celebration of **Holy Communion**, led by the Father Colin Griffiths.

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