

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 2nd JUNE:- First Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our Prayer Book Service of Holy Communion, led by the Rector. Sister Hazel will also be with us and we look forward to her preaching for us this morning. Everyone is invited to stay after the service for refreshments and a chat.

The readings this morning are:-

1 Kings 8: 22 - 23, 41 - 43; Galatians 1: 1 - 12; Luke 7: 1 - 10

THIS WEEK:

Drop-in with the Post office will be held, as usual on Monday afternoon, 3rd June, at the Parish Hall.

Thursday Group will meet this Thursday, 6th June. There is the possibility of a Gardens Visit. Please contact 261836 for details of the arrangements. Everyone is welcome.

NEWS:

THANK YOU to everyone who made the Double Fundraiser Concert so enjoyable and especially to Robin, Rosie, Anne and Kay for their inspiration in putting on the concert and for their organization. The concert has now raised **£1511** for our Church Organ Fund - thank you again for the donations. The initial work on the first stage of the organ restoration has been carried out.

MUSIC IN QUIET PLACES - The penultimate concert in this annual series will be held next Saturday evening, **on the 8th June at 7.30pm at the Church of St Martin, Dunton.** Leaflets giving details of all concerts in the series and where to buy tickets, are on the bookcase by the door for you to pick up if you are interested.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES will commence in the Benefice during the summer in preparation for a Deanery confirmation service on 29th September. Anyone interested in participating as a candidate for confirmation is asked to contact the Rector.

The House to House Collection in Great Brickhill for Christian Aid Week raised **£776**. Thank you to all who helped with the collection and to all who gave so generously.

QUIET DAY IN THE DEANERY. Bishop John is leading our Deanery in a Quiet Day on the subject of **Prayer** on **Wednesday, 19th June**. It will be held at **Wingrave Church** and will start at 9.30am finishing at 4.00pm. Handouts giving details of the day are available for collection from the bookcase.

PRESENTATION - NEW FACILITIES AT THE CHURCH

As most of you will know there has been a longstanding intention to provide some new facilities for the church in the form of kitchen and toilet facilities etc. The PCC has put considerable thought and time into how the project should move ahead. After much discussion professional advice has been sought on the options open to us, as best practice and guidance on work to listed churches has changed much over the last 15 years.

Following consideration of an options appraisal an architect is now working on drawings of proposed new facilities, which the PCC would like to present to the parish. Drawings will be on display in the church and members of the PCC will be available to discuss the plans over a weekend in June:-

Saturday 22nd June from 10.00am to 12 noon

Sunday 23rd June after the 11 o'clock Family Service

A formal presentation will be given at 10.30am, 11.00am and 11.30am on Saturday and after the service on Sunday. All are welcome to come and have a look at the proposal.

DATE FOR THE DIARY. A summer event, to include a concert and teas, is being planned for the afternoon of Sunday, 21st July. More details to follow.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY, 9th JUNE:

There will be Morning Worship, led by Jeremy at 9.30am and Evensong at 6pm, led by the Rector.

Other Services across the Benefice:

Bow Brickhill:- 11am: Family Service

Little Brickhill:- 11am Morning Worship

Stoke Hammond:- 9.30am Holy Communion

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