

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY, 10th AUGUST:- The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion (Common Worship) this morning, led by the Rector. Thank you to Jerry for playing the organ for us today and to the choir for leading our singing. Everyone is invited to stay after the service for coffee and a chat.

The readings this morning are:-

1 Kings 19: 9 - 18; Romans 10: 5 - 15; Matthew 14: 22 - 33

TO COMMEMORATE THE START OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR a century ago, the bell ringers rang a muffled quarter peel on Monday evening. A single candle was lit in the Lady Chapel and extinguished at 11.00pm.

At the end of this morning's service, prayers will be said in the Lady Chapel – behind the altar is the stained glass window commemorating BASIL WILLIAM EDMUND HOYLE of the Royal Welch Fusiliers who fell at Festubert, France on 25th September, 1915, aged 22 years. He was one of three sons of Reverend Fielding Hoyle, Rector of this parish from 1913 - 1923, all of whom died at a young age and are mentioned in the inscription on the window. A photo of Reverend Hoyle is on display on the altar.

This afternoon there will be a celebration of baptism for Isla Faid at 2pm. We send our best wishes to all the family on this special occasion as we welcome Isla into the church.

Congratulations to Ross & Lauren Auchterlonie and Paul & Sarah Dyer who were married here yesterday afternoon. We wish both couples a very long and happy life together.

THIS WEEK AND NEXT:-

There will be no Drop-in or Post Office this week due to the closure of the Parish Hall for remedial work to be carried due to the recent flooding of the Hall. The Post Office and Drop-in will resume on Monday, 18th August.

THE THURSDAY GROUP – Please note there will be **no more Thursday Group meetings now until September**. (This news was received after the August Parish Newsletter had gone to print – please ignore the dates given in that publication).

NEWS & EVENTS:-

BABY BENNETT

Congratulations to Simon and Juliet on the arrival of their baby son, Thomas, who was born last Saturday. We look forward to seeing the happy family soon.

“LINK TO HOPE” SHOEBOX APPEAL

The annual “Link to Hope” shoebox appeal is being launched this weekend. The forms and all the information that people might need to take part are available on the bookcase. Rosie Dawson who is organising this year’s appeal will be happy to answer any queries:-
Tel: 261425 or e-mail: robin.rosie@zen.co.uk .

The charity now helps destitute people in Romania, Moldova, Bulgaria, Ukraine and Albania and the contents of the shoeboxes is direct contact with people who have not forgotten them, and give them a few essentials to make their very difficult circumstances more bearable for a little while..... it brings smiles to their faces.

FAREWELL EVENT FOR BISHOP JOHN

Say Farewell to Bishop John at the **Diocese of Oxford’s Grand Day Out! Saturday 20th September from 10.00 – 17.00**, Oxford City Centre. Everyone is invited to give thanks for Bishop John’s ministry, for prayer and worship, a feast of different activities, a massive picnic on Christ Church Meadow and a huge open-air farewell Eucharist. For full information about the day, please go to www.oxford.anglican.org/granddayout .

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY, 17th AUGUST:

A service of Morning Prayer will be held here in Great Brickhill at 11.00am. This is a new form of service, which has been used once before, and will again be led by the Wardens. The service broadly follows a Common Worship form of Mattins.

Other Services across the Benefice next Sunday:-

Bow Brickhill:- [Church open, 9.00 - 11.00am]

Little Brickhill:- Family Service at 11.00am

Stoke Hammond:- Holy Communion at 9.00am

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