

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

## **SUNDAY 17th MAY 2015:- The Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Welcome to our Service of Evensong, led by Jeremy. Thank you to Jerry for playing the organ for us and to the choir who will be accompanying our singing.

The readings this evening are:-

**Ezekiel 36: 24 - 28; John 17: 6 - 19**

### **CHRISTIAN AID WEEK**

Christian Aid week comes to an end today. There is special Prayer Card available on the bookcase, a copy for everyone to take home with them. Thank you to all those who have helped with this year's house to house collection.

### **THIS WEEK AND NEXT:-**

**The Happy Cup Coffee Club**, the child-friendly weekly drop-in coffee morning, especially welcoming parents and carers of young children is held **every Monday during term time in the church**, from **9.15am to 11.15am**. **All welcome** – not obligatory to bring a child with you!

(It will not be held on Bank Holiday Monday, 25th May).

**Drop-in with the Post Office** will be held on Monday afternoon, 18th May at the Parish Hall.

**The Thursday Group**. The next fortnightly meeting will be this coming Thursday 21st May, 2.30pm at 30 Pound Hill, a chance to meet up for a cup of tea and a chat. All welcome.

### **NEWS & EVENTS:-**

#### **INFORMATION SHEET FROM THE PCC CONCERNING THE PLANNING OF ADDITIONAL FACILITIES IN THE CHURCH:**

Please collect one of the pink sheets from the bookcase giving an update on the project to provide additional facilities for our church.

#### **MUSIC IN QUIET PLACES:**

This season's seven classical concerts are currently being held in churches across Aylesbury Vale on Saturday evenings at 7.30pm. Copies of the programme are available from the bookcase. Tickets:- £12 – concessions £10.

## **SUMMER WALK AND BREAKFAST, SUNDAY 31st MAY:**

Michael, Julia and Tom are hosting an early summer walk at Rectory Farm on Sunday 31st May. Meet at 7.45am or just arrive for breakfast, served from 8.30am. Please let them know if you would like to go:- Tel: 261213, e-mail: [msturner@btopenworld.com](mailto:msturner@btopenworld.com) (There will be a United Benefice Service at 11am at Little Brickhill).

## **ANNUAL MEETING, 28th APRIL:**

Ten parishioners attended **the Great Brickhill Annual Church Meeting**, along with nine members of the PCC. A presentation of photos taken during the year by David Marlow welcomed everyone as they arrived. The Annual Report and Accounts were adopted – a copy can be collected from the bookcase near the entrance to the church, or the files can be downloaded from the church website.

Christine and Val continue as Church Wardens and the members of the PCC remain as for last year:- Clare Amies, Simon Bennett, Phillipa Cook, David Duncombe, Angela Northen, Margretta Smith, Julia Turner and Joy Wilson. Jeremy Hopkinson will serve the second of his three years term as Deanery Synod Representative.

Christine gave the Wardens' report detailing all the work that has been undertaken during the year. All items highlighted in last year's Quinquennial Report have been completed.

The Rector gave a presentation of slides accompanied by photos showing a summary of events / activities that have taken place. A PDF file of the presentation can be e-mailed to anyone who would like a copy – please contact Phillipa Cook:- [pjcook6@gmail.com](mailto:pjcook6@gmail.com).

The Annual Meeting concluded with a short form of evening prayer. The first PCC meeting is on Wednesday 20th May at 8.00pm.

## **SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY, 24th MAY (Pentecost, Whit Sunday)**

**There will be a Family Service here at 11am** led by the Rector.

Other Services across the Benefice:-

**Bow Brickhill:-** Holy Communion at 9.00am

**Little Brickhill:-** No Service

**Stoke Hammond:-** Morning Worship at 9.00am

**[ Please note that from next month the service on the second Sunday of the month will be held at 9.30am and not 9.00am. ]**

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