

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 21st JUNE 2015:- Third Sunday after Trinity

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:- **Job 38: 1 - 11; Mark 4: 35 - 41**

TEMPORARY REPAIRS TO THE ROOF:

The insurance company organised temporary repairs to be carried out on the roof last Sunday to make the building watertight. This allows us a little time to arrange for a longer term repair to the roof. You will see that the furniture in the Lady Chapel has been moved and there are kneelers standing on their side on pews to dry out. Please leave the furniture in its current position until the church is thoroughly dry inside. We were very pleased that the Coffee Club and the choir practice could be held as normal on Monday - very much business as usual!

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!

Drop-in with the Post Office will be held on Monday afternoon, 22nd June at the Parish Hall.

The Thursday Group. The next fortnightly meeting will be held on **Thursday 2nd July**, 2.30pm at 30 Pound Hill, a chance to meet up for a cup of tea and a chat. All welcome.

NEWS & EVENTS:-

NEWSPAPER COLLECTION:

Thank you to those who helped load the first set of newspapers onto the lorry last month. A total of **6.96 tonnes** was transferred onto the lorry, which raised **£417.60**. Thank you to Michael and Julia for providing the container at Lower Rectory Farm and to Frank and Betty for their fortnightly collection of newspapers from around the village.

SUMMER WALK AND BREAKFAST, SUNDAY 31st MAY:

A good crowd gathered at Rectory Farm for a very enjoyable, if rather damp early morning Farm Walk followed by breakfast. Thank you to Michael, Julia and Tom for hosting the event, which raised **£402** for church funds.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK:

The Christian Aid house to house collection round the village raised the amazing sum of **£950.66**, a terrific increase on last year's £800 total. Thanks to the collectors and to all who gave so generously.

LITTLE BRICKHILL OPEN GARDENS:

There will be at least nine gardens open next weekend, **27th and 28th June** between 2.00 - 6.00pm. Plus plants for sale and miniature train rides. The church will be open and there will be delicious homemade cakes. All proceeds go to church funds.

CRYERS SUMMER CONCERT & GARDEN PARTY:

"In Old England, Jolly Good Times" with The Sands Cryers Choir - summery songs and cream teas in and around the Church on **Sunday 5th July 2015 at 2.30pm**. The Sands Cryers sing songs and ballads from the time before the gramophone, the CD and iTunes. Come and hear music enjoyed by the villagers of Great Brickhill in days gone by. Admission free but donations will be requested and shared by St Mary's Church and Macmillan Nurses.

CHRISTMAS FAIR - SCARVES WANTED:

An appeal please for anyone who has unwanted scarves to donate them for the Christmas Fair as there will be a Scarf Stall at this year's Fair on Saturday 28th November. Either leave them in the vestry or give them to one of the Wardens or to any PCC member.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 28th JUNE:

There will be a Family Service here at 11.00am led by Phillipa.

Other Services across the Benefice:-

Bow Brickhill:- Holy Communion at 9.00am

Little Brickhill:- No Service

Stoke Hammond:- Morning Worship at 9.00am

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