

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

## **SUNDAY 14th May 2017:- The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion (Common Worship) this morning led by the Rector. Thank you to Susan for playing the organ for us today.

Everyone is invited to stay after the service for coffee and a chat.

The readings this morning are:-

**Acts 7: 55 - 60; 1 Peter 2: 2 - 10; John 14: 1 - 14**

### **CHRISTIAN AID WEEK, 14th to 20th MAY:**

Christian Aid Week starts today, through until next Saturday. Thank you to all those who have agreed to help with this year's house to house collection. There are still areas of the village that needs covering. If anyone has any spare time and could help with this, even if it is just a small area, please get in touch with Phillipa – details below. Please give as generously as you are able if one of the collectors calls at your door. If your area is missed out of the collection and you would like to donate, spare Christian Aid envelopes are available on the bookcase – please return to Phillipa.

### **FUNERALS IN THE BENEFICE:-**

Please keep in your prayers the family and friends of John Butt from Stoke Hammond whose service will be at Great Brickhill later this month and Alan Wilkins whose service is at Bow on Tuesday.

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

**The Happy Cup Coffee Club tomorrow, 15th May.** The child-friendly drop-in coffee morning, especially welcoming parents and carers of young children is held **every Monday morning during term time in the church from 9.15am to 11.15am.**

**Village Drop-In, tomorrow 15th May.** Although there is no longer a Post Office, the Drop-In continues on Monday afternoons at the Parish Hall, from 1.20 - 3.20pm, so please call in for a cup of tea, slice of cake and a chat.

### **NEWS AND EVENTS:**

#### **ANNUAL MEETING, 25th APRIL:**

Sixteen parishioners attended the Annual Church Meeting. A review of the year was shown using photos taken by David Marlow. Julia then presented the Wardens' report summarising the work etc. that

has been undertaken during the year. The Annual Report and Accounts were adopted - anyone who has not yet received a copy of the Annual Report can collect a copy from the bookcase near the entrance to the church, or the file can be download from the website. Elections were held for the positions of Warden, Deanery Synod Representative and PCC members. All positions remain unchanged - a full list is on display in the church porch.

A PDF file of the presentation is available on the website, or can be sent to anyone who would like a copy e-mailed to them – please contact Phillipa:- [pjcook6@gmail.com](mailto:pjcook6@gmail.com).

**MUSIC IN QUIET PLACES:** The second of the six classical concerts, held in churches across Aylesbury Vale on Saturday and Sunday evenings at 7.30pm in May and June, is next Saturday, 20th May at Waddesdon. Copies of the programme are available from the bookcase. Tickets:- £12 – concessions £10.

### **BRICKSTOCK 2017 ON SUNDAY 28th MAY:**

Fliers advertising **Brickstock 2017 at the Cricket Club** are available near the entrance. The Church Roof Fund is one of the beneficiaries of the event. We will be doing **the teas in the Parish Hall** and also **running the raffle during the afternoon** – there will be a gazebo in which we will put photos and info re the church, and use that as the base for selling the tickets, and also have ticket sellers wandering around. **Please contact Julia with offers of help for the teas and Phillipa if you can help with the raffle.** **The Family Service that day will be held in one of the marquees** - the service will start at 11.00am and will be finished in plenty of time for those without a ticket and not intending to attend the event, to depart before the gates officially open at 12 noon.

### **SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 21st MAY:**

There will be a service of **Evensong at 6.00pm in Great Brickhill**, led by Jeremy. Other Services across the Benefice:-

**Bow Brickhill:-** [ Church open, 10.00 - 11.00am ]

**Little Brickhill:-** Family Service at 11.00am

**Stoke Hammond:-** Holy Communion at 9.00am

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