

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 1st July 2018:- The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our Prayer Book Service of Holy Communion led by the Rector. We hope that Sister Hazel is able to be here with us. Everyone is invited to stay after the service for coffee and a chat.

The readings this morning are:-

Lamentations 3: 22-33; 2 Corinthians 8: 7-15; Mark 5: 21-43

THIS WEEK AND NEXT:

The Happy Cup Coffee Club, the child-friendly drop-in coffee morning for parents and carers is held on Monday mornings during term time in the church from 9.15am to 11.15am.

The Village Drop-In is held on Monday afternoons at the Parish Hall, from 1.30 - 3.30pm, so please call in for a cup of tea, slice of cake and a chat. **The Post Office in the Parish Hall** is open on Mondays, from 1pm to 3pm in the small meeting room.

NEXT WEEKEND, SATURDAY/SUNDAY 7th / 8th JULY:-

“OUR VILLAGE” – PAST & PRESENT:

There will be a photographic exhibition of Great Brickhill in the church next Saturday, 7th July from 10.00 – 4.00pm and Sunday 8th July from 11.00 – 5.00pm. Refreshments will be available. Donations to the church.

KING JAMES – A ROYAL PROGRESS, SUNDAY AFTERNOON:

Renaissance music for a summer afternoon in the church at 2.30pm – the sort of songs and music the villagers of Great Brickhill might have heard during the reign of King James 1. The Cryers, an early music group based in Woburn Sands, accompanied by local musicians will perform songs with dances of the period. Cream Teas will be available. Donations for St Mary's Church.

NEWS AND EVENTS

CHRISTIAN AID COLLECTION:

Thank you to those who helped with last month's house to house Christian Aid collection. We were unable to cover the whole village but still collected the magnificent sum of £431.78. Many thanks to the collectors and to all those who gave so generously.

NEWS FROM GUATEMALA FOLLOWING THE VOLCANO:

Janet Pritchard has kindly sent us this news from Guatemala:-

“In 2007 and subsequent years the PCC and members of the congregation kindly gave financial support to Nuevo Reto, an orphanage in Guatemala, at which Charlotte Pritchard spent many months over a period of years visiting and helping. Following the devastating volcanic eruption this week Charlotte has been able to make contact with Nuevo Reto and the family in the village which kindly 'adopted' her during her visits. Everyone Charlotte knows is safe. Nuevo Reto has taken in some single mothers and their children to help. The women in the family have been trained as Fire Fighters and therefore are helping with the rescue efforts. I know your prayers will be much appreciated”.

LITTLE BRICKHILL & STOKE HAMMOND NEWS:

Little Brickhill and Stoke Hammond produce monthly Church Newsletters – these are uploaded to the website in the “Little Brickhill” and “Stoke Hammond” sections. Forthcoming events:

- **Little Brickhill Summer Fete on Saturday 14th July** from 2pm to 4.30pm in the garden of The Stables, Woburn Road. Steam train rides, bouncy castle, games, stalls and cream teas.
- **Stoke Hammond Church Fete on Saturday 21st July** from 1pm to 4pm at St Luke’s Church. Tombola, games, a raffle and refreshments as well as various stalls including a cake stall.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 8th JULY:

There will be a service of Holy Communion (Common Worship) at 9.30am in Great Brickhill, led by the Rector.

Other Services across the Benefice:-

Bow Brickhill:- Family Service at 11.00am

Little Brickhill:- No Service

Stoke Hammond:- Morning Worship at 9.00am

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