

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

**SUNDAY 11th AUGUST 2019: Eighth Sunday after Trinity**

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion led by the Rector. Thank you to Rosemary Howell for playing the organ for us this morning. Everyone is invited to stay after the service for coffee and a chat.

The readings this morning are: -

**Genesis 15: 1 - 6; Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16; Luke 12: 32 - 40**

## **NEWS AND EVENTS:-**

**The Happy Cup Coffee Club**, the child-friendly drop-in coffee morning for parents and carers is held every Monday morning in the church from 10.00am to 11.15am during term time. **It will resume after the summer holidays on the first Monday morning at the start of next term, on 9th September.**

**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.

**The Prayer Group is held in church on the second and fourth Mondays** of each month. They meet around 11.00am for a coffee with those at the Coffee Club. **There is now a break over the summer holiday period until Monday 9th September.**

**There is an e-mail Prayer Chain** for those who meet together. Anyone who wishes a prayer to be included at any time should contact:- Valerie Kerr ([valeriekerr@hotmail.com](mailto:valeriekerr@hotmail.com)) or Mary Maley ([mary@maley.org.uk](mailto:mary@maley.org.uk)).

## **CHARITY SONGS OF PRAISE:**

Thanks go to Robert and Vicky Wright and all who contributed to last month's Songs of Praise. Thanks to our organist Jerry for providing the information for all the hymns and arranging for the Willen choir to come along and accompany our hymns and sing an anthem.

**The total of the donations came to £406. The appeal will remain open until the end of August – please use the RNLI envelopes on the bookcase and pass your donations to Phillipa.**

## **ULTRA MARATHON MAN:**

Roger would like to thank all those who so generously supported him on his recent ultra run, which will raise £1,200 for the toilet

extension. Unfortunately, a simple navigational error whilst running alone in the dark caused him to lose a lot of time, which meant he was timed out at the next checkpoint. Roger would like to thank to all who have encouraged him with such kind words and shared his disappointment. Well done Roger on taking on such a huge challenge

### **LINK TO HOPE CHARITY SHOEBOX APPEAL:**

Forms for the 2019 "Link to Hope" charity shoebox appeal may be obtained from a clip board on the bookcase by the porch door for those who would like to support this charity. Its work really does make a difference to the lives of extremely poor people in eastern Europe. Receiving a shoebox full of useful items brings joy to thousands of families at Christmas time. **On Monday 9th September at the Drop-In there will be an opportunity to swap items for the shoeboxes.**

### **A WINE & CHEESE EVENING WITH JACK SHEFFIELD:**

The above event with the local author of the best-selling "Teacher" series is being held on Saturday 14th September in Stoke Hammond Community Centre at 7.00pm. Tickets £7 from Dave Webber:- [david.webber@btinternet.com](mailto:david.webber@btinternet.com) 07711 026193

### **DATE FOR THE DIARY:-**

This year's Messiah Concert in aid of Willen Hospice is being held on Sunday, 29th September at All Saints Church, Leighton Buzzard.

### **SERVICES ON 18th AUGUST:**

**There will be a service of Evensong at 6.00pm in Great Brickhill when we will celebrate our Patronal Festival. The service will be led jointly by the Rector, Jeremy and Valerie.**

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

**Due to the Bank Holiday there will not be a Family Service on the last Sunday in August. The next Family Service will be on Sunday 22nd September when we will have our HARVEST CELEBRATION with a Bring & Share Lunch after the service.**

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