

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2019: Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our Prayer Book Service of Holy Communion this morning led by the Rector. We hope that Sister Hazel is also able to be here with us.

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

The readings this morning are:-

Proverbs 25: 6-7; Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16; Luke 14: 1, 7-14

The memorial service for Marion Ralph will be held in church this Thursday, 5th September at 2.30pm, followed by refreshments at The Old Red Lion. Marion will be sadly missed by all her friends here in the village and our thoughts and prayers are with her family at this time.

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) or Mary Maley (mary@maley.org.uk).

NEW FACILITIES:

We have been advised by the Diocesan Advisory Committee that the committee has recommended the works for approval by the Registrar. A Public Notice has therefore been put on display in the church porch and on the notice board near the vestry.

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 07711 026193

THE MUSIC IN THE BRICKHILLS MESSIAH performance in aid of Willen Hospice is being held on **Sunday, 29th September**, 7.00pm at All Saints Church, Leighton Buzzard. Tickets can be purchased by contacting Jerry Breslin:- 07977 292602 jerrybreslin@hotmail.com

THE RE-SCHEDULED "SWEET MUSIC" CONCERT is being held in the Parish Hall on **Saturday 12th October**, from 7.00pm – 10.30pm. Tickets at £15 each are now on general release. All enquiries to Phillipa Cook:- 01525 261521 pjcook6@gmail.com

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 8th SEPTEMBER:

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

The next Family Service will be on Sunday, 22nd September at 11.00am when we will have our HARVEST CELEBRATION with a Bring & Share Lunch after the service.

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