

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 8th SEPTEMBER 2019: Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion (Common Worship) led by the Rector. Thank you to Susan Noon 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: -

Deuteronomy 30: 15-20; Philemon v. 1-21; Luke 14: 25-33

The flowers you will see around the church are those that were done for the memorial service for Marion Ralph on Thursday. 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. **The Coffee Club resumes tomorrow, Monday 9th September after the break for the summer holidays.**

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. **The Prayer Group starts tomorrow after the summer break.** The next meetings of the Prayer Group will be held on **Mondays 9th & 23rd September and 14th October.** **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. **Tomorrow 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 next 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. There are a few tickets left at £15 each. All enquiries to Phillipa Cook:- 01525 261521 pjcook6@gmail.com

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:- Advent Fair in the church, Sunday 1st December 2.00 – 4.00pm. Donations are requested of unwanted scarves and jewellery to be given to us or left in the vestry for a church stall.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 15th SEPTEMBER:

There will be a service of Evensong at 6.00pm in Great Brickhill, led by Valerie Kerr. 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

On Sunday, 22nd September our HARVEST CELEBRATION will be a Family Service at 11.00am with a Bring & Share Lunch in church after the service. We are asking for any Harvest gifts to be suitable contributions that we can take to a local Food Bank.

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