

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 2019:

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our Service of Evensong, led by Valerie Kerr. Thank you to Jerry for playing the organ for us and to the members of the choir who will be accompanying our singing.

The readings this evening are: -

Exodus 32: 7 - 14; Luke 15: 1 - 10; Psalm 51 verses 1 - 10

Next Sunday, 22nd September we will have our HARVEST CELEBRATION, 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. High Ash School will have their Harvest service in the church on Monday, 23rd September at 1.45pm.

On the following Sunday at 11.00am there will be a United Benefice Service at Little Brickhill celebrating Ability Sunday. To allow access for all it will be held in the Community Centre.

THIS WEEK AND NEXT:-

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 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 at 11.00am in church on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Do come early around 10.45am to enjoy a cup of coffee and a chat with one another and with the young families gathering in the Chapel area. The next meetings of the Prayer Group will be held on Mondays 23rd September & 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 (valeriejerr@hotmail.com) or Mary Maley (mary@maley.org.uk).

NEWS AND EVENTS:-

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. **At the Drop-In on Monday 7th October there will be another opportunity to swap items for the shoeboxes.**

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. All tickets have now been sold. All enquiries for returned tickets to Phillipa Cook:- 01525 261521 pjcook6@gmail.com

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:-

Advent Fair in the church on Sunday afternoon, 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, 22nd SEPTEMBER:

There will be the Harvest Family Service here at 11.00am led by the Rector and followed by a Bring and Share Lunch.

Other Services across the Benefice:-

Bow Brickhill:- Holy Communion at 9.00am

Little Brickhill:- No Service

Stoke Hammond:- Morning Worship at 9.00am

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