

St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill



The appearance of the three kings at the Epiphany in Great Brickhill Church

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) OUTBREAK Update 9th January 2021

NEWS OF SERVICES:

Firstly, following a Benefice Wardens' meeting this week, it has been agreed to continue with our plans as they stand for services in our churches, and online, for this month (following carefully the guidelines for services in church).

The service for this Sunday is:-

10.00am Holy Communion Service at Bow Brickhill:

Due to the restriction of numbers, will those wishing to attend this service please let Stuart Leeming know in advance so that seating can be arranged to ensure social distancing:- stuleeming@aol.com

Next Sunday 17th January there will be at Family Service at Little Brickhill at 10am

A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR:-

Please let me know if you have any particular requests for prayer to be included in any of the services:- rector@brickhillschurches.org.uk

VIRTUAL SERVICE OF EVENSONG ON MONDAY, 25th JANUARY AT 7.00pm:

Jerry Breslin is arranging another online Evensong service via Zoom on Monday, 25th January when the choir would normally be holding their weekly practice session. The login details for this virtual service will be available for circulation shortly.

A schedule of all the services planned across the Benefice to the end of January can be found at the end of this Newsletter.

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUNDAY, 10th JANUARY:

The Rector has written and recorded a reflection and prayer for the first Sunday of Epiphany and Alison Packer has recorded this week's story, "The Helpful Servant". They were filmed near the font in Little Brickhill church.

The recordings can be found on the following links:

- Reflection & Prayer:- <https://youtu.be/4cs1TM9ykFo>
- "The Helpful Servant":- <https://youtu.be/kDPINZXnoNo>

Earlier week's reflections and stories can be found on the website in the section "Coronavirus You Tube Recordings".

Two files accompany this e-mail giving the details of worship for this coming Sunday:-

(1). The Rector's written brief reflection and prayer.

(2). How and where to find this week's online services. This includes the programmes available on the BBC, both radio and television, and livestreaming services from the Oxford Diocese and the Church of England.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES:

Due to the ongoing building work the church opening times are now:-

SUNDAYS FROM 10.00am – 12 noon

BUT, if anyone would like to visit the church for individual private prayer outside of these times please get in touch with Julia or Phillipa and arrangements will be made for you:- 261618 juliaturner.jt@icloud.com 261521 pjcook6@gmail.com

There is hand sanitizer available at the entrance and we ask that you read the guidance provided on the blue notice board as you enter the church. All bibles, books etc have been removed. Please take your own bible or reading matter with you. Visitors outside of normal services are asked to sign the registration sheet in a red folder at the entrance to the church. If you are able to, please use the QR code on display as you enter the church.

THE RECTOR:

If anyone has any concerns during this worrying time, do contact:

- The Rector, Revd John Waller:- 01525 261062 rector@brickhillschurches.org.uk

- Jeremy Hopkinson, LLM:- 01525 261674 jeremysfh@gmail.com

ACTIVE E-MAIL PRAYER CHAIN:

Anyone who would like to join the group or would like to have a prayer included, contact:- Roger Blofeld (rogerblo@aol.com).

For further information about any of the above, please contact:

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SERVICES ACROSS THE BENEFICE TO THE END OF JANUARY 2021

DATE:	TIME:	SERVICE:	VENUE:
January 10th	10.00	Holy Communion	Bow Brickhill
January 17th	10.00	Family All-age Service	Little Brickhill
January 24th	10.00	Holy Communion	Great Brickhill
Monday 25th	19.00	Evensong	Virtual by Zoom
January 31st <i>[Candlemas]</i>	16.00	Family All-age Service	Virtual by Zoom