

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

Sunday 28th March – PALM SUNDAY

Welcome to our **Family Service for Palm Sunday** this morning, led by the Rector with Tim Holden playing the piano. We would like to thank you both.

During the service there will be a dramatised gospel reading of **Luke Chapters 22 and 23**. It will be read in dramatic form with a number of people taking the various parts:-

Narrator: Phillipa Cook
Jesus: Dave Webber
Pilate: Tim Holden
Minor Parts: Members of the Webber family

The congregation is asked to read the group voices (the relevant lines are highlighted in the sheets that you will be given):-

Pulpit side congregation: Priests
Lectern side congregation: Disciples; Men; Soldiers

Please remain seated while the Passion is being read.

EASTER WEEK SERVICES

On **Wednesday 31st March** there will be a service of **Holy Communion** at 10.30am at **St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill**.

On **Maundy Thursday, 1st April**, the **Last Supper** will be shared at 7pm at **St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill**.

On **Good Friday, 2nd April**, there will be an **Hour of Devotion**, at 2pm at **St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill**.

THE ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS

The Church Annual Meeting will be held on **Thursday 22nd April**, **in Church at 7.30pm**. Coffee will be available from 7.15pm.

All papers (Annual Report etc.) will be available for collection from the Church, or to download from the website, from Thursday 15th. April.

The procedure for the Annual Elections is displayed on the notice in the Church porch. Elections will take place for:

Church Wardens

P.C.C. Members (9 members will be elected, as determined by an Electoral Roll of 51 to 100 people.)

Nomination slips for the above elections are available from the Church or from the P.C.C. Secretary, Phillipa Cook (TEL: 01525, 261521; e-mail: neilacook@aol.com) or can be downloaded from the website. Completed nomination forms for all the above positions should be sent to Phillipa Cook by **Monday 12th April**. A list of all Nominations will be posted on the Notice Board in the Church porch by 15th. April.

Any parishioner wishing to be added to the Church Electoral Roll should register on the forms available from the Church Wardens or from Jeremy Hopkinson (the Electoral Roll Officer), or from the "Electoral Roll" section of the website.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

THE BENEFICE MAUNDY THURSDAY SUPPER ON 1ST APRIL AT 7PM.

It is our turn in the Benefice to host the supper this year. The format will be the same as in previous years but we will be holding the Supper in the Church this year because the Parish Hall is already booked for a regular class. Please keep the evening free as everyone is welcome to come to a simple meal around which a communion service is held. Families with children are particularly welcome.

THE PLANT FAYRE – SATURDAY 10TH APRIL

As last year, this important event in the Church money-raising calendar, will take place in the Parish Hall. The event organizers are Pat and Martin Thomas and they would be pleased to receive offers of help (01525 237699) and please tell your neighbours and friends and encourage them to come. There will be posters and press adverts to remind you nearer the date. Also, the

village plant stall would like to receive potted plants for sale on the day – bring them to the Hall during the morning, please. A collection service is available for this. Please contact Pat Thomas on the number, above.

MUSIC IN THE BRICKHILLS

The Spring Concert will be held on **Sunday 9th May**. Details of the programme will follow soon. For more information visit the website.

NEWS

PAULINE

It is wonderful news to be able to write that Pauline is home from hospital and, although she is continuing to receive treatment, she is feeling much better. John and Pauline have asked us to pass on their thanks for everyone's prayers and good wishes over the last two weeks.

THE LENT LUNCHESES

Donations given at the five Lent Lunches amounted to £222. The donations will be divided equally between Lee Abbey and the MS Society home at Leamington Spa that Pauline enjoys visiting so much.

SERVICES ON EASTER SUNDAY

At Great Brickhill, Holy Communion at 11am, led by the Rector.

At Bow Brickhill and Stoke Hammond, Holy Communion at 9.30am

At Little Brickhill, Holy Communion at 11am.

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The address of the Benefice website is www.brickhillschurches.org.uk