

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 15th May – Third Sunday after Easter

Welcome to our celebration of **Holy Communion**, led this morning by the Rector with Jerry Breslin playing the organ. Thank you to both of you. Please join us for coffee after the service.

The readings this morning are:

Genesis 7 vs. 1 – end;
Acts 2 vs. 42 – end; and
John 10 vs. 1 - 10.

THIS WEEK is CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Please give generously to this year's appeal and many thanks to all who are undertaking the collection rounds around the village. Thank you, also, to Phillipa for making the arrangements for the collectors.

On Saturday, May 21st, the Kaznowski Wind Quintet will perform a varied programme including Mozart's Gran Partita here, in St Mary's, Great Brickhill at 7.30pm.

NEWS

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION GROUP

Please see the Rector's Newsletter (to be found on the bookcase – this month it is printed on yellow paper). The **Deanery Confirmation Service** is on **October 6th** this year and will be led by the Bishop of Buckingham. In our Benefice there will be a preparation group. If you are interested please contact the Rector or Jeremy.

WASTE PAPER COLLECTION

Thank you to everyone who contributes to this collection and who helped to load the lorry recently. The latest collection yielded 6.4 tonnes and we will receive £60 per tonne, so church funds will receive £384. This is a brilliant sum and many, many thanks go

to Frank Kinsey who collects the papers around the village and makes the arrangements for the lorry collection. Thanks also to the Mike and Julia Turner for making the collection facilities available to us. Keep your papers and cardboard coming – never throw them away – thank you!

MUSIC IN THE BRICKHILLS

Last Sunday's Concert at All Saints, Leighton Buzzard was supported by a packed church of enthusiasts. The standard of singing and playing was superb and everyone was full of praise for the performance. Many thanks go to Jerry for his exceptional commitment to **Music in the Brickhills**. **Please support the forthcoming concert next Saturday, May 21st, at Great Brickhill Church when the Kaznowski Wind Quintet will perform a varied programme including Mozart's Gran Partita.** Tickets are available from Robin Dawson:- Tel: 261425, e-mail: robin.rosie@zen.co.uk. Also, it is not too early to put the date for Handel's Messiah into your diary. Do not plan **anything** for **September 25th!!**

MUSIC IN QUIET PLACES

This annual programme of concerts and recitals held on summer Saturdays in May, June and July in local churches in Aylesbury Vale has just started. I thought that you would like to know that the next concert in the series will be held on **Saturday, 21st May at All Saints' Church, Nash at 7.30pm.** The concert is entitled "A Respighi Rarity". Tickets are £8 (£6 concessions) from 01296 585301 or on the door.

NEXT SUNDAY, 22nd May, there will be a **Family Service at 11am, led by the Rector.** **On the following Sunday, a fifth Sunday, May 29th**, there will be a **United Benefice Service of Holy Communion at 10am at Bow Brickhill.**

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