

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 18th September – The Thirteenth Sunday in Trinity

Welcome to our celebration of **Holy Communion** this morning, led by the Revd. Carole Peters from Ivinghoe. Thank you, Carole, for leading our worship this morning. Jerry Breslin is playing the organ today. Our Rector is on a retreat weekend at Lee Abbey.

Please stay for tea or coffee and a chat after the service.

The readings are:-

**Jonah chapter 3 vs. 10 – chapter 4 vs.11;
Philippians 1 vs. 21 - 30 and:
Matthew 20 vs. 1 - 16.**

THIS WEEK

Drop-In is as usual on Monday afternoon at the Parish Hall.

On Wednesday, there will be a celebration of House Communion at 10.30am at Knightleys, Heath Road. All are most welcome.

On Wednesday evening the Deanery Synod will meet here in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

EVENTS AND DATES

NEXT SUNDAY, September 25th at 7.30pm will be the 5th anniversary of "The Music in the Brickhills" performance of **Handel's Messiah** in church. We want to celebrate again this stunning piece of music as the singers and musicians love coming together to perform, to share it with others and to raise money for Willen Hospice and our church in Great Brickhill. All donations will be very much appreciated. This year admission is free. As usual we shall be serving drinks in the interval and there will be the opportunity for those who would like to make a more social occasion of the evening, to have a pre-concert light meal at the home of a parishioner before the performance. If you would like to be sure of a seat in church please ring Robin Dawson (261425) or Jerry Breslin (07977 292602). And, if you would like a meal beforehand please ring Rosie Dawson (261425) or Christine Agambar (261527). **Please encourage all your friends to come.**

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Sunday 2nd October is Harvest Sunday. There will be a service of Common Worship Holy Communion at 11am, led by the Rector, The service will launch a month-long series of celebrations in services to mark the 400th Anniversary of the publication of the King James' Bible. The service will be followed by a **Harvest Lunch** in the Parish Hall to which everyone is warmly invited. **PLEASE SIGN THE CLIP BOARD ON THE BOOKCASE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BOOK PLACES AT THE LUNCH.**

On **Friday, 30th September**, the annual **MacMillan Coffee Morning** will be held at 14 Holts Green, with Bring and Buy, Cake and Book stalls and tombola and greetings cards and much more – and also, coffee and chat!!! Anne Humphreys would be very pleased to receive donations of raffle prizes, cakes for sale, tombola prizes and books for the book stall. Please contact Anne if you are able to donate items. She will be pleased to have them in advance or on the 30th in the morning. (261345)

Saturday, 8th October – A Barn Dance at 7.30pm at Rectory Farm. Please support this village event. The tickets cost £12.50, which includes a fish and chip supper. The money raised will be distributed to benefit the Cricket Club, High Ash School and the Church. Please see the poster in the porch for details of how to purchase tickets.

OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS FOR THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE KING JAMES BIBLE

Please collect the separate leaflet about the services during October and, in particular, details of the special Songs of Praise at 6pm on Sunday, 9th October.

NEWS

Donations from the **Stride and Ride Day** are still coming in. We have already raised a very good sum of money for Bucks Historic Churches and half of the donations will help with our own running costs. The total raised will be reported in next week's Pew Sheet.

Yesterday, the wedding of **Richard Smith and Debbie Masterton** took place here. Please remember the couple in your prayers today and we send our good wishes to Debbie and Richard for their future happiness.

NEXT SUNDAY, 25th September, there will be a **Family Service** at 11am, led by the Rector. **The performance of Handel's Messiah begins at 7.30pm here in the Church.**

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