

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 14th SEPTEMBER:- Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion (Common Worship) this morning, led by the Reverend Norman Thorp. The theme of the service will be "Jesus, the Vine".

Thank you to Susan for playing the organ for us today and to the choir for leading our singing.

Everyone is invited to stay after the service for coffee and a chat.

The readings this morning are:-

Isaiah 5: 1 - 7a; Philipians 2: 1 - 11; John 15: 1 - 8

THE BUCKS HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST BIKE AND STRIDE took place yesterday. All money raised will be divided equally between our church and Bucks Historic Churches Trust.

Andrew and Margretta Smith and family took part. They would be very grateful for any support and offers of sponsorship.

THIS WEEK AND NEXT:-

Drop-in with the Post Office will be held on Monday afternoon, 15th September at the Parish Hall.

THE THURSDAY GROUP – the next fortnightly meeting will be on Thursday 25th September, 2.30pm at 30 Pound Hill.

NEWS & EVENTS:-

FAREWELL EVENT FOR BISHOP JOHN

Say Farewell to Bishop John at the **Diocese of Oxford's Grand Day Out!** next **Saturday 20th September** from 10.00 – 17.00, Oxford City Centre. Everyone is invited to give thanks for Bishop John's ministry, for prayer and worship, a feast of different activities, a massive picnic on Christ Church Meadow and a huge open-air farewell Eucharist. For full information about the day, please go to www.oxford.anglican.org/granddayout .

“LINK TO HOPE” SHOEBOX APPEAL

A reminder that the forms and information that people might need to take part in this annual “Link to Hope” shoebox appeal are available on the bookcase. Rosie Dawson who is organising this year’s appeal will be happy to answer any queries:- Tel: 261425 or e-mail: robin.rosie@zen.co.uk .

HARVEST CELEBRATIONS

On Sunday, 28th September there will be a Harvest Family Service held at 11 o'clock. The theme will be the "Bread of Life" and this will be continued through to the Bring & Share Lunch which will be held in church immediately after the service. Please bring along some of your favourite type of bread to share with others.

All are welcome to attend, either for just the service, or just the lunch, or both!

HANDEL’S MESSIAH

The annual “Music in the Brickhills” performance is being held on Sunday, 28th September at 7.00pm at All Saints Church, Leighton Buzzard. In aid of Willen Hospice. Tickets available on the door or from Jerry Breslin (01908 582952 or jerrybreslin@hotmail.com) or Robin Dawson (261425 or robin.rosie@zen.co.uk).

SUNDAY SERVICE PATTERN: flyers available on the bookcase giving details of the **service pattern** across the benefice.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY, 21st SEPTEMBER:

There will be a service of Evensong at 6.00pm in Great Brickhill, led by Jeremy.

Other Services across the Benefice next Sunday:-

Bow Brickhill:- [Church open, 9.00 - 11.00am]

Little Brickhill:- Family Service at 11.00am

Stoke Hammond:- Harvest Holy Communion at 9.00am

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