The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill Sunday 19th August - The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our celebration of **Holy Communion** this morning, led by the Rector with Jerry Breslin playing the organ. You are warmly invited to join us after the service for refreshments and a chat.

The readings this morning are:

Proverbs 9 vs. 1 – 6; Ephesians 5 vs. 15 – 20; and John 6 vs. 51 – 58.

THIS WEEK:

House Communion will be held at Knightleys, Heath Road, at 10.30am on **Wednesday**, **22nd August**. Everyone is welcome to join this celebration of Holy Communion.

NEWS:

HARVEST SERVICE IN GREAT BRICKHILL

This year the Harvest Service will be held during the Family Service at 11am on **September 23**rd, led by the Rector. Please put this date in your diary. More details will follow.

BUCKS HISTORIC CHURCHES BIKE RIDE AND STRIDE, on Saturday 8th September.

The annual Bucks Historic Churches Sponsored Walk/Bike Ride takes place on Saturday 8th September. The idea is to get together a group of friends and visit as many of the participating churches as you would like between 10am and 6pm, and to arrange sponsorship. Half of the proceeds go to Bucks Historic Churches and the other half will go to the church here in Great Brickhill. All information, including the list of participating churches and the Sponsorship Forms, is available on the bookcase inside the church. Alternatively, contact Rosie Dawson for the information: 01525 261425 or robin.rosie@zen.co.uk.

After the bike/walk all participants and supporters are invited to come along to Simon and Juliet Bennett's house for a BBQ at

6pm. Those who participated last year will remember the great evening that we had at Simon and Juliet's after the walk and ride. If you are coming to the BBQ please let Juliet know on 261210 or by e-mail juliet.l.bennett@googlemail.com

The SHOE BOX APPEAL

It is that time of year again to think about the Romanian Shoe Box Appeal. Anne Humphreys hopes that you will choose to contribute again this year, either by providing gifts for the boxes or by filling boxes. All the details are in the leaflet on the bookcase by the church door. Or, you can contact Anne at anytime for advice or information, 261 345.

Val's Birthday Lunch.

Val has asked me to thank you for your generous donations to the church that were given at the lunch to celebrate that 'certain' birthday.

DROP-IN will resume in the middle of September

It is essential that everyone continues to support the Post Office during the remainder of August and early September. **PLEASE SUPPORT THE POST OFFICE DURING THIS PERIOD.**

The village will lose the Post Office if the level of business drops.

NEXT SUNDAY, 26TH AUGUST, is the Sunday of the August Bank Holiday weekend. The Rector is taking a few days of leave. There will be a United Benefice Service of Holy Communion at 10am at Stoke Hammond, led by Father Colin Griffiths.

The next service in Great Brickhill is on 2nd September. There will be a service of Holy Communion at 11am, led by Father Colin Griffiths. Also on 2nd September at Stoke Hammond there will be a Family Service at 11am, and at Bow Brickhill, Holy Communion at 9.30am.

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