The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 19th MAY:- Pentecost – Whit Sunday

Welcome to our Service of Common Worship Holy Communion this morning, led by the Rector with Jerry Breslin playing the organ. Everyone is invited to stay after the service for refreshments and a chat.

Thank you to all the ladies who have decorated the church so beautifully for today's celebration of Whitsun.

The readings this morning are:

Genesis <u>11</u>: 1 - 9; Acts <u>2</u>: 1-8, 12-13; John <u>14</u>: 15-17, 25-27

Yesterday afternoon the wedding took place between Richard Power and Tracy McCabe, with the bride arriving on a fire engine. Well done to the choir for entertaining the congregation during the delay at the start of the wedding. We wish the couple every happiness in their life together.

This past week has been Christian Aid Week - many thanks to all those who have helped with the House to House Collection. The result will be reported in due course.

THIS WEEK:

Drop-in with the Post Office will be held, as usual on Monday afternoon, 20th May, at the Parish Hall.

Thursday Group will meet this Thursday, 23rd May at Knightleys, Heath Road at 2.30pm when there will be a talk on The Azalea Charity. Everyone is welcome.

NEWS:

THANK YOU to everyone who made last Saturday's concert so enjoyable and especially to Robin, Rosie, Anne and Kay for their inspiration in putting on the concert and for their organization. The concert invited donations for our Church Organ Fund and the amount raised was **£1436**. Thank you, once again, for the donations. The initial work on the first stage of the organ restoration was carried out on Friday.

MUSIC IN QUIET PLACES

The fourth concert in this annual series will be held next Saturday evening, on the 25th May at 7.30pm at the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Haddenham. Leaflets giving details of all concerts in the series and where to buy tickets are on the bookcase by the door for you to pick up if you are interested.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES will commence in the Benefice during the summer in preparation for a Deanery confirmation service later in the year. Anyone interested in participating as a candidate for confirmation is asked to contact the Rector.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY, 26th MAY – Trinity Sunday:

There will be a Family Service at Great Brickhill at 11.00am, led by the Rector.

Services across the Benefice:

Bow Brickhill:- Holy Communion at 8.00am **Little Brickhill:-** Holy Communion at 9.30am **Stoke Hammond:-** Morning Worship at 9.30am

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