

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY, 7th SEPTEMBER: - The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our Prayer Book Service of Holy Communion this morning led by the Reverend Norman Thorp. Sister Hazel may also be joining us to read the gospel and assist at communion. Everyone is invited to stay after the service for refreshments and a chat. The readings this morning are:-

Ezekiel 33: 7 - 11; Romans 13: 8 - 14; Matthew 18: 15 - 20

Congratulations to Roland & Vicky George who were married here yesterday afternoon. We send them our very best wishes for a long and happy life together.

THIS WEEK AND NEXT:-

Drop-in with the Post Office will be held on Monday afternoon, 8th September at the Parish Hall.

THE THURSDAY GROUP – the fortnightly meetings will start again this Thursday 11th September, 2.30pm at 30 Pound Hill.

The first High Ash Prayer Meeting of the new academic year will take place this Friday 12th, 2.45 - 3.10pm. All are welcome.

THE BUCKS HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST BIKE AND STRIDE takes place **next Saturday, 13th September from 10am - 6pm.** The details and sponsorship forms of the “Stride and Ride” are available from the bookcase in the church. Alternatively for more details contact Rosie Dawson (TEL: 261425 or e-mail: robin.rosie@zen.co.uk). All money raised will be divided equally between our church and Bucks Historic Churches Trust.

Andrew and Margretta Smith and family are taking part and would love it others could join them. They would also be very grateful for any support and offers of sponsorship.

NEWS & EVENTS:-

“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 .

FAREWELL EVENT FOR BISHOP JOHN

Say Farewell to Bishop John at the **Diocese of Oxford's Grand Day Out! 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 .

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, 14th SEPTEMBER:

There will be a service of Holy Communion (Common Worship) at 9.00am in Great Brickhill, led by the Revd. Norman Thorp.

Other Services across the Benefice:-

Bow Brickhill:- Family Service, 11.00am

Little Brickhill:- No Service

Stoke Hammond:- Holy Communion at 9.00am

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