The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 7th JUNE 2015:- First Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our Prayer Book Service of Holy Communion this morning when we welcome back Revd Norman Thorp to lead our service. The readings this morning are:-

Genesis <u>3</u>: 8 - 15; Ephesians <u>6</u>: 10 - 18; Mark <u>3</u>: 20 - 35

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

PASTORAL LETTER FROM THE DIOCESE:

A letter has been received from the Diocese to say that it has not been possible to nominate someone to be the next Bishop of Oxford. Further candidates will not be interviewed until March/April next year and it is unlikely that there will be a bishop in post before the early autumn of 2016. The Diocese will now be pressing ahead with new initiatives before the arrival of the new Bishop. The letter in full can be viewed on the website, alongside this Pew Sheet.

THIS WEEK AND NEXT:-

The Happy Cup Coffee Club, the child-friendly weekly drop-in coffee morning, especially welcoming parents and carers of young children is held **every Monday in the church**, from **9.15am to 11.15am**. All welcome – not obligatory to bring a child with you!

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

The Thursday Group. The next fortnightly meeting will be on Thursday 18th June, 2.30pm at 30 Pound Hill, a chance to meet up for a cup of tea and a chat. All welcome.

NEWS & EVENTS:-

MUSIC IN QUIET PLACES:

This season's seven classical concerts are currently being held in churches across Aylesbury Vale on Saturday evenings at 7.30pm. Copies of the programme are available from the bookcase. Tickets:- £12 – concessions £10.

SUMMER WALK AND BREAKFAST, NEXT SUNDAY 31st MAY:

Last Sunday a good crowd gathered at Rectory Farm for a very enjoyable, if rather damp early morning Farm Walk followed by breakfast. Thank you to Michael, Julia and Tom for hosting the event, which raised £402 for church funds.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK:

The Christian Aid house to house collection round the village raised the amazing sum of £950.66, a terrific increase on last year's total of £800. Thank you to all the collectors and to all who gave so generously

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

STOKE HAMMOND SUMMER FETE

A Summer Fete at The Old Stables, Grove Farm, Church Road, Stoke Hammond **next Saturday 13th June at 2.00pm.** Many stalls and games with prizes, including tombola, raffle, refreshments, cakes, bric-a-brac, plants etc. Plus Miniature Steam Model Railway.

LITTLE BRICKHILL OPEN GARDENS

There will be at least nine gardens open on the weekend of the **27th and 28th June** between 2.00 - 6.00pm. Plus plants for sale and miniature train rides. The church will be open and there will be delicious homemade cakes. All proceeds go to church funds.

CRYERS CONCERT & GARDEN PARTY TEA

"In Old England, Jolly Good Times" - Tudor music by The Sands Cryers at the church on **Sunday 5th July**. The concert starting at 2.30pm will be in two sets with tea outside, weather permitting.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 14th JUNE:

There will be a service of Holy Communion (Common Worship) at ** <u>9.30am</u> ** in Great Brickhill, led by the Rector.

[Please note that from June the service on the second Sunday of the month will be held at 9.30am and not 9.00am.]

Other Services across the Benefice next Sunday:-

Bow Brickhill:- Family Service, 11.00am

Little Brickhill:- No Service

Stoke Hammond:- Songs of Praise, 3.00pm

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