The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 26th JULY 2015:- Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our Family Service this morning led by the Rector. We had hoped to welcome a family for a celebration of baptism but this has been postponed due to family illness. The theme of the service will be the feeding of the five thousand.

Thank you to Andrew and Margretta for playing the music to accompany our songs. The words for the third song are:-

1. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

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Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

- 2. Won't let anyone blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine...(rpt x3)let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 3. Hide it under a bushel, NO! I'm gonna let it shine...(rpt x3)let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 4. Shine it over the whole wide world, I'm gonna let it shine...(rpt x3)let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 5. Everywhere I go, YES! I'm gonna let it shine...(rpt x3)let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Repeat first verse.

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

The reading this morning is:- John 6: 1 - 15

We heard the sad news last week that Hugh Butler has died – Hugh lived here in the village with his wife, Enid and ran the shop/Post Office – they then moved to Whaddon. Hugh was Tower Captain here for many years and occasionally came back to ring until quite recently. The funeral will take place this coming week – please contact David Middleton or Andy Howell (234149) for the details.

ROOF REPAIRS:

The roofing contractor completed the repair work on the north aisle roof following the theft of the lead, just before the heavy rain at the end of last week. This interim repair will make the roof water tight for the foreseeable future. This will allow time to decide on how best to approach a more permanent repair.

THIS WEEK:-

Please ignore the note in the August Parish Newsletter saying that the Happy Cup Coffee Club will take a break over the summer. Due to popular request, the child-friendly weekly drop-in coffee morning, especially welcoming parents and carers of young children will be held throughout the holiday period, every Monday except the Bank Holiday 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, 27th July at the Parish Hall.

The Thursday Group is now taking a break over the summer. The next fortnightly meeting will be held on Thursday 10th September.

NEWS & EVENTS:-

CONCERT & GARDEN PARTY:

On Sunday afternoon 5th July we welcomed **The Sands Cryers Choir** for the concert "In Old England, Jolly Good Times". They performed a selection of early choral music that would have been enjoyed by the villagers of Great Brickhill in days gone by. Thank you to Jerry for organising the singers and to all who helped with the cream teas. The event raised £477 which was shared between the church and Macmillan Cancer Support.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 2nd AUGUST:

There will be a said Holy Communion (BCP) Service at 11.00am in Great Brickhill, led by the Revd Peter Green.

Other Services across the Benefice:-

Bow Brickhill:- Evensong at 6.00pm

Little Brickhill:- Holy Communion at 9.30am **Stoke Hammond:-** Family Service at 11.00am

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