The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 22nd May 2016:- Trinity Sunday

Welcome to our Family Service this morning, led by the Rector. The service will celebrate the feast of the Holy Trinity - Father, Son and Holy Spirit, living and reigning in the perfect unity of love. Thank you to Andrew for playing the music to accompany our songs. There will be children's activities in the Lady Chapel.

The bible reading this morning is:- John 16: 12 - 15

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

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK, 15th to 21st MAY: Christian Aid Week comes to a close today. Thank you to all those who helped with this year's house to house collection. There were some houses where it was not possible to arrange the collection. If you have not had the chance to make a donation, please use one of the envelopes on the bookcase and return the envelope please to Phillipa - details below.

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 morning during term time in the church from 9.15am to 11.15am. All welcome — not obligatory to bring a child with you! This will be held tomorrow but not in half term, on 30th May.

Drop-in with the Post Office will be held on Monday afternoon, 23rd May at the Parish Hall, but not on Bank Holiday, 30th May.

Thursday Group. The next fortnightly meeting will be held on Thursday, 2nd June at 30 Pound Hill – meet at 2.30pm for a cup of tea and a chat. All are welcome to attend.

NEWS & EVENTS:-

MUSIC IN QUIET PLACES: The first of this year's season of six classical concerts, all held in churches across Aylesbury Vale, is being held this coming Saturday, 28th May at **The Church St Michael and All Angels, Waddesdon** at 7.30pm. Copies of the programme are available from the bookcase. Tickets:- £12 – concessions £10.

MIDSUMMER SUPPER, Saturday 18th June: Meet at the church for drinks and canapes, then move on to enjoy supper with friends, returning to the church for desserts and coffee. Tickets £15. Contact Gill (279005) or Julia (261213).

THE ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING was held on 27th April. Ten parishioners attended plus nine PCC members. The Annual Report and Accounts were adopted - a copy of the Annual Report can be collected from the bookcase near the entrance to the church, or the file can be downloaded from the website.

Elections:- Julia Turner was elected as Church Warden. Clare Amies, Simon Bennett and David Duncombe did not seek reelection to the PCC. Phillipa Cook, Angela Northen, Margretta Smith and Joy Wilson continue, with newly elected member, Mary Maley. Jeremy Hopkinson continues as Deanery Synod Rep.

The **Wardens' report** summarised the work etc. that has been undertaken during the year. The Rector thanked Christine and Val for their hard work as Wardens and presented them with a **gift on their retirement**, flowers and a voucher to enjoy a lunch together with the two Steves at Hartwell House.

The Rector gave a presentation of slides accompanied by photos showing a summary of services/events/activities that have taken place. A PDF file of the presentation can be sent to anyone who would like a copy – please contact Phillipa:- pjcook6@gmail.com.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 29th MAY:

There will be a United Benefice Service of Holy Communion at Bow Brickhill at 11.00am, led by the Rector.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 5th JUNE:

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

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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