The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 21st August 2016:- Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our Service of Evensong, led by Phillipa. Thank you to Jerry for playing the organ for us and to the choir who will be accompanying our singing.

The readings this evening are:-Isaiah <u>58</u>: 9b - 14; Luke <u>13</u>: 10 – 17 Psalm <u>103</u> verses 1 - 8

This coming weekend is the History Weekend in the church, commencing with the Preview on Friday at 7.00pm. Full details are in the item below – we hope to see you all at some stage over the weekend.

THIS WEEK AND NEXT:-

The Happy Cup Coffee Club, the weekly Monday child-friendly drop-in coffee morning for parents and carers of young children, is taking a break until after the summer holidays. It will re-start next term on Monday 5th September.

Drop-in with the Post Office will be held as usual on Monday afternoon, 22nd August at the Parish Hall.

Thursday Group will now take a break over the summer, resuming on Thursday 15th September.

NEWS & EVENTS:-

SPONSORED "RIDE & STRIDE"

This annual Bicycle Ride, Horse Ride and Walk will take place on Saturday 10th September, from 10.00am to 6.00pm. Held in aid of Bucks Historic Churches Trust the money goes half towards the local church and half to the Trust for repair of churches. Anyone interested in taking part, or wanting to find out more about the event, contact the local organiser:-

Andrew Smith:- 01525 261240 a.f.g.smith@gmail.com

"LINK TO HOPE" SHOEBOX CHARITY

A reminder to all those who would like to take part in this charity appeal that this year's forms are available from the bookcase in the church or from Rosie Dawson (261425). Those who have been helped in the past are desolate and impoverished people in Moldova, Bulgaria, Ukraine and Romania. In filling and sending a shoebox with suggested items it gives these people renewed hope.

GREAT BRICKHILL HISTORY WEEKEND

This History Weekend will take place at St Mary's Church during the Bank Holiday Weekend, 26th - 28th August. The church will be open from 10am - 5pm. There will be an exhibition of old photographs and an opportunity to explore the churchyard, plus a Family Quiz and refreshments.

Special events:-

FRIDAY 7.00pm:- Preview

SATURDAY 2.00pm:- Maps, Documents & Memorabilia SUNDAY 2.00pm:- Short Guided Village Walk

For more information, or if you would like to attend the Preview, or if you have, either as an individual or a group, any artefacts or documents or memories that would help us to paint the picture of village life in days gone by, please contact:-

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Donations to support St Mary's Church.

ADVANCE DATES FOR THE DIARY

Vivaldi and Messiah Concert in aid of Willen Hospice here in the church on the evening of **Sunday 25th September**.

Harvest Family Service on Sunday 2nd October at 11.00am, followed by a Bring and Share Harvest Lunch.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 28th AUGUST:

As this will be a Bank Holiday weekend there will be just one service across the Benefice next Sunday – a United Benefice Service of Holy Communion (Common Worship) here in Great Brickhill at 11.00am, led by Reverend Norman Thorp.

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