The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 12th August 2018:- The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion (Common Worship) this Morning when we welcome back the Rector after his summer break. Thank you to Andrew for playing the piano to accompany our hymns. Everyone is invited to stay after the service for coffee and a chat.

The readings this morning are:-

1 Kings <u>19</u>: 4-8; Ephesians <u>4</u>: 25 – <u>5</u>: 2; John <u>6</u>: 35, 41-51

THIS WEEK AND NEXT:

The Happy Cup Coffee Club, the child-friendly drop-in coffee morning for parents and carers is held on Monday mornings during term time in the church from 9.15am to 11.15am. It will resume after the summer holidays on the first Monday morning at the start of next term, on 10th September.

The Village Drop-In is held on Monday afternoons at the Parish Hall, from 1.30 - 3.30pm, so please call in for a cup of tea, slice of cake and a chat. The Post Office in the Parish Hall is open on Mondays, from 1pm to 3pm in the small meeting room.

NEWS AND EVENTS

CHURCHYARD:

Thank you to Butch Baker and Malcolm Oliver for cutting the grass at the rear of the churchyard. Whilst wishing to retain it as a wild area it had become a little unkempt. The long grass had obscured the view of the church from the road but this is now possible again.

"SWEET MUSIC", SATURDAY 6th OCTOBER:

Butch Baker is organising a musical evening of local talent, a concert in the Parish Hall on Saturday 6th October, from 7.00pm – 10.30pm. There will be a bar and the tickets at £15 each will include as many sweets / desserts as you can eat. Ticket applications to Phillipa Cook:- 01525 261521 picook6@gmail.com.

"LINK TO HOPE" CHARITY SHOEBOX APPEAL:

Now is the time of year to start thinking about the annual shoebox appeal. The sign in form and shoebox forms will be available on the bookcase by the church door through until October. Thank you in advance to those who wish to contribute to the charity - anyone who would like to know more about the project do look at the literature available, or contact Rosie Dawson who will be able to tell you more about the scheme:- 01525 261425 Robin.Rosie@zen.co.uk
There will be a swap shop afternoon at the Monday Drop-in at the Parish Hall on 24th September and 15th October for the opportunity for people to either give or take an article to help start a box, or to fill an odd corner to complete one.

LITTLE BRICKHILL & STOKE HAMMOND NEWS:

Little Brickhill and Stoke Hammond news is uploaded to the website in the "Little Brickhill" and "Stoke Hammond" sections.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 19th AUGUST:

There will be an **Evensong service at 6.00pm in Great Brickhill**, led by Phillipa.

Other Services across the Benefice:-

Bow Brickhill:- [Church open, 10.00 - 11.00am]

Little Brickhill:- Family Service at 11.00am

Stoke Hammond:- Holy Communion at 9.00am

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