St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

PCC NEWSLETTER, 5th NOVEMBER 2018



The display currently in the church to commemorate 100 years from the end of the First World War (details – see below)

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY, 11th NOVEMBER:

The Remembrance Service in Great Brickhill will be held next Sunday at 10.50am. At the conclusion of the service wreaths will be laid at the War Memorial. The collection will be for The Poppy Appeal and there will be special gift aid envelopes available – these will need your signature if you wish for us to claim the tax back.

You will see the display around the church of servicemen nearly all of whom had lived in Great Brickhill at some time, a large proportion having been born here.

The names on the notice board by the vestry all survived the war. The others, on the window sills and hung below the south side window, all died during the conflict or shortly afterwards from their wounds.

The research was done by Tom Rolls and Ted Maley. The poppy wreath and the single poppies have been made by members of GB WI.

CHARITY SONGS OF PRAISE, SUNDAY 18th NOVEMBER:

This year's Charity Songs of Praise will be held on Sunday, November 18th at 5.00pm. There will be familiar hymns and readings and the Benefice Choir will lead the singing. If anyone would like to suggest a hymn please contact the Rector or Julia Turner by this Friday, 9th November:-

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This year's chosen charity is **Willen Hospice**. For those who will not be at the Songs of Praise, donations will be accepted until 20th December.

ADVENT COFFEE MORNING, SATURDAY 1st DECEMBER:

An Advent Coffee Morning will be held in the church on Saturday 1st December from 10.00-1.00pm. There will be art, pottery and craft stalls for you to buy your Christmas presents; a toy stall and craft activities for children; a tombola; and the last chance to buy tickets for the Christmas Cake raffle. And of course, tea, coffee and festive mince pies will be available.

A flyer is attached for you to pass on to your friends and family.

A THANK YOU MESSAGE FROM ROSIE DAWSON:-

"Feed the Hungry" Charity- "Fish 'n Chip" baby vests:

Many thanks go to all of you who have knitted baby vests, beanies and jumpers. Your time and industry have produced a wonderful 300 garments this year, which has just been delivered to the collection point in Louth, Lincolnshire. Over the last four years 1231 garments have been sent by "The Great Brickhill and Friends" group of knitters. It is an amazing result and one for which the charity is very grateful.

"Link to Hope" Charity Shoebox Appeal 2018:

48 shoeboxes have just been delivered to our area organiser from the "Great Brickhill and Friends" group ready to be trucked out to where they are needed most urgently. I was told that shoeboxes sent by us were always very well filled and beautifully wrapped......so, very many thanks for your contribution and for the thoughtful way that you always present the boxes, saving the charity time and money as any under-weight or rattling boxes have to be opened and re-packed.

A DATE FOR THE DIARY:-

The Nativity will be held be held again at The Old Red Lion, on Sunday 23rd December at 11.00am. Hopefully the weather will be kinder this year!

For further information please contact:-

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Do please remember that all the information about Church events or services can be found on the Benefice website:- <u>www.brickhillschurches.org.uk</u>