

# **The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill**

## **SUNDAY 16th JUNE 2019: Trinity Sunday**

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

The readings this evening are: -

**Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31; John 16: 12-15 Psalm 8**

**LAST WEEK** we received the wonderful news from Scotland that Alice (Amies) and Ruaraidh have had a baby daughter named Clare, a sister for Roddy.

**THANK YOU** to Gill Wilson and Anne Marlow for exhibiting their art here this weekend. It has been lovely to see so many people come into the church and enjoy the exhibition and, of course, the cream teas that were available on both days.

### **THIS WEEK AND NEXT:-**

**The Happy Cup Coffee Club**, the child-friendly drop-in coffee morning for parents and carers is held every Monday morning in the church from 10.00am to 11.15am during term time.

**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.

**The Prayer Group** is held in church on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. They meet around 11.00am for a coffee with those at the Coffee Club. The next meetings of the Prayer Group will be held on Mondays 24th June, & Monday 8th July.

**There is an e-mail Prayer Chain** for those who meet together. Anyone who wishes a prayer to be included at any time should contact:- Valerie Kerr ([valeriekerr@hotmail.com](mailto:valeriekerr@hotmail.com)) or Mary Maley ([mary@maley.org.uk](mailto:mary@maley.org.uk)).

### **NEWS AND EVENTS:-**

#### **BRICKSTOCK ON SUNDAY, 26th MAY:**

The St Mary's Café served tea and cakes in the Parish Hall on the afternoon of Brickstock. Thank you to all who provided the cakes and served the teas. **£296 was raised.**

## **CHRISTIAN AID WEEK ENVELOPES**

There were not that many envelopes returned and so this year's collection is well down:- £177 compared to £431.78 in 2018. There is no way of knowing how many people made a donation on-line but the digital fundraising nationally is up by over 50% on last year, so that may be a sign that people are going on-line to make their donation.

**THE NEXT DEANERY SYNOD MEETING** is this Wednesday 19th June at The Biggs Pavilion, Cublington. The meeting will start at 7.30pm with an address by Bishop Alan Wilson – this is open to all to attend.

## **ULTRA MARATHON MAN:**

Roger Blofeld is doing a sponsored run to raise funds for the proposed toilet extension at the church. He is attempting to run 105 miles in the Lakeland 100 Ultra Marathon at the end of July within the cut off time of 40 hours. Included in the distance is an ascent/descent of 6270m, which is equivalent to going up and down Ben Nevis nearly 5 times. Any sponsorship that you can give will be a huge encouragement for Roger – either via our envelope scheme or by:-

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/run-to-spend-a-penny>

## **CHARITY SONGS OF PRAISE, SUNDAY 21st JULY:**

This year our Charity Songs of Praise will be on Sunday 21st July at 10.00am. We are pleased that Revd. Robert Wright will be leading the service and his wife Vicky will be here to talk about her work with our chosen charity, the RNLI. We are asking for your choice of hymns and readings – **please send any suggestions you have for inclusion in the service to Phillipa by Friday 12th July:-** 261521 or [pjcook6@gmail.com](mailto:pjcook6@gmail.com)

## **SERVICES NEXT WEEK, 23rd JUNE:**

There will be a **Family Service with Holy Communion here at 11.00am** led by the Rector. Other Services across the Benefice:-

**Bow Brickhill:-** Holy Communion at 9.00am

**Little Brickhill:-** No Service

**Stoke Hammond:-** Morning Worship at 9.00am

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