The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 14th JULY 2019: Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion led by the Rector. Thank you to Susan Noon for playing the organ for us this morning. Everyone is invited to stay after the service for coffee and a chat.

The readings this morning are: - **Deuteronomy <u>30</u>: 9-14; Colossians <u>1</u>: 1-14; Luke <u>10</u>: 25-37**

HIGH ASH SCHOOL LEAVERS' SERVICE:

The Leavers' Service for the Year 6 pupils will be here in the church on Wednesday, 17th July at 1.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

CHARITY SONGS OF PRAISE, NEXT SUNDAY 21st JULY:

We have received a good choice of hymns and readings for next Sunday's Charity Songs of Praise. Please note that the service is at the earlier time of 10.00am. 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.

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 last session before the summer holidays will be Monday 22nd July.

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 meeting of the Prayer Group will be on Monday 22nd July. There will then be a break over the summer holiday period until Monday 9th September. 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 (valeriejkerr@hotmail.com) or Mary Maley (mary@maley.org.uk).

NEWS AND EVENTS:-

THANK YOU to Gill Wilson and Anne Marlow for exhibiting their art here over a weekend last month – they have kindly donated 10% of their proceeds to the church. It was lovely to see so many people come into the church and enjoy the exhibition and the cream teas that were available on both days. £192 was raised for the church from the teas.

WALL SAFE:

Unfortunately, the wall safe has been targeted again. Following the damage last year, the wall safe was repaired but someone has recently tried to forcibly open it and the lock has totally seized. Until a more secure system is installed, please do not place any money in the safe - please hand any donations to either Phillipa or Julia.

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

A WINE & CHEESE EVENING WITH JACK SHEFFIELD:

The above event with the local author of the best-selling "Teacher" series is being held on Saturday 14th September in Stoke Hammond Community Centre at 7.00pm. Tickets £7 from Dave Webber:david.webber@btinternet.com 07711 026193

SERVICES ON 21st JULY:

There will be a Charity Songs of Praise service in aid of the RNLI at **10.00am** in Great Brickhill, led by Reverend Robert Wright. Other Services across the Benefice:-

Bow Brickhill:- [Church open, 10.00 - 11.00am] Little Brickhill:- Family Service with Holy Communion at 11.00am Stoke Hammond:- Holy Communion at 9.00am

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