St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill



CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) OUTBREAK Update 27th February 2021

THE SERVICE TOMORROW, SUNDAY, 28th FEBRUARY:-

A Family All-age Service via Zoom is being held at 4.00pm, similar to last month's service. The link for the Zoom login is:-

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89090808267?pwd=M3YzcDNCNzkySW5OZURWN28yaTR6UT09 Meeting ID: 890 9080 8267

Passcode: 028498

The Order of Service can be downloaded from the front Home page of the website.

LOOKING AHEAD TO MARCH:-

Unfortunately, we are still not holding live services in church. We hope that we will be able to do so soon but for now, the services planned up to Palm Sunday at the end of March will continue to be virtual services. The schedule is at the end of this Newsletter.

NEXT SUNDAY, 7th MARCH:-

Like earlier this month, we will be recording a simple Holy Communion service during next week (in Great Brickhill church). The service will be available to view on 7th March. The You Tube link for the service will be sent out and available on the website next Saturday. N.B. The Rector's weekly reflection will be part of the service.

The website will be updated with any changes to the services. For information and login details of all services, follow the link:-

https://brickhillschurches.org.uk/coronavirus/live-services/

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES SUNDAY, 28th FEBRUARY:

The Rector has written a reflection and prayer for this Sunday. There is a recording of the Rector reading this reflection, plus Stuart Leeming reading "Jesus and the Tax Man", the story of Zacchaeus, from Luke 19. These were filmed at the altar in Bow Brickhill Church. The recordings can be found on the following links:

- Reflection & Prayer:- <u>https://youtu.be/iq5d18sbaTA</u>
- "Jesus and the Tax Man":- https://youtu.be/wQhaYWNY9dA

Earlier week's reflections and stories can be found on the website in the section "Coronavirus You Tube Recordings".

Two files accompany this e-mail giving the details of worship for this coming week:-

(1). The Rector's written brief reflection and prayer.

(2). How and where to find this week's online services for Sunday. This includes the programmes available on the BBC, both radio and television, and livestreaming services from the Oxford Diocese and the Church of England.

LENT COURSE:

The material for this year's Lent Course is the Lent resources provided by the diocese – "Come and See". They are based on a new book by the Bishop of Oxford, "Pilgrim Journeys: The Creeds - 40 days of reflections". It includes material, which people can use individually and group material for the weekly virtual Lent discussion group via Zoom.

There will be five sessions held on Tuesday evenings from 8.00pm - 9.00pm:-

23rd February:-	Session 1:	I Believe in God, Father Almighty	
2nd March:-	Session 2:	I Believe in Jesus Christ (next Tuesday - Mar. 2nd)	
9th March:-	Session 3:	He was crucified, died and rose again …	
16th March:-	Session 4:	I Believe in the Holy Spirit	
23rd March:-	Session 5:	The Church and the forgiveness of sins	

The login details for the 2nd session on 2nd March at 8.00pm:-

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82746706084?pwd=WDBleG9xeDVkaHRFVWJwbHFKc0dpdz09 Meeting ID: 827 4670 6084 Passcode: 005106

On the "**Come and See**" page of the diocesan website the links are available for all the daily Lent reflections so far, and, from Sunday onwards, Bishop Steven's new video for the second Lent course session will be available:https://www.oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see/#toggle-id-2

If possible, it would be helpful to watch the Sunday video before the Lent course session on Tuesday. All will be welcome to join the sessions at any time - they are independent, so it doesn't matter if you miss one. More details of the course and the links to log in to all of the online sessions are available via the "Lent Courses" section of the website:https://brickhillschurches.org.uk/lent-course/

CHURCH OPENING TIMES:

We are still able to open the church for private prayer - due to the ongoing building work the church opening times are now:-

SUNDAYS FROM 10.00am – 12 noon

BUT, if anyone would like to would like to visit the church for individual private prayer outside of these times please get in touch with Julia or Phillipa and arrangements will be made for you:- 261618 juliaturner.jt@icloud.com 261521 pjcook6@gmail.com

There is hand sanitizer available at the entrance and we ask that you read the guidance provided on the blue notice board as you enter the church. Visitors outside of normal services are asked to sign the registration sheet in a red folder at the entrance.

THE RECTOR:

If anyone has any concerns during this worrying time, do contact:

- The Rector, Revd John Waller:- 01525 261062 rector@brickhillschurches.org.uk
- Jeremy Hopkinson, LLM:- 01525 261674 jeremysfh@gmail.com

ACTIVE E-MAIL PRAYER CHAIN:

Anyone who would like to join the group or would like to have a prayer included, contact: - Roger Blofeld (<u>rogerblo@aol.com</u>).

For further information about any of the above, please contact:

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SERVICES ACROSS THE BENEFICE IN MARCH 2021

DATE:	TIME:	SERVICE:	VENUE:
March 7th	00.00	Video pre-recorded Holy Communion	Via You Tube
March 14th [Mothers' Day]	10.00	Family All-age Service	Via Zoom
March 21st	10.00	Mattins	Via Zoom
March 28th [Palm Sunday]	10.00	Dramatised Reading of the Passion Gospel	Via Zoom

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