

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 21st AUGUST 2022: TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Welcome to our Family Service with a Baptism. The Rector will be leading the service where we will be joined by Jonny and Kit Peacock with family and friends for their younger daughter Molly's christening, along with elder siblings Charlie and Ellie.

Thank you to Rosemary Howell for providing the music for us this morning and to Sophia who will be leading our singing – do use the shakers as much as you like!

We will be hearing the final reading of the banns for Natalie Williams and Paul Barrasford's wedding. We wish them well for this final week of preparations before their wedding here next Saturday.

Everyone is invited to stay after the service for coffee and a chat.

The reading this morning, read by a family friend:- Isaiah 58: 9b-12

The collection plate will be passed round during the last hymn. Please use the Gift Aid envelopes provided if you are able to. If you prefer to give your collection via our **debit/credit card device**, **please see Phillipa after the service.**

This afternoon there will be **teas at St Luke's, Stoke Hammond, from 3-5pm**. Enjoy the calming atmosphere of the medieval church building, savour some tasty home cooked cakes and scones, look for the famous name in a memorial near the altar and search for the mini-carving of St George & the Dragon, among others. The teas will be followed by a short Service of Evening Prayer, or 'Compline' - a very simple service, a great way to start the evening.

REVIEW OF SUNDAY SERVICE PATTERN:

The new service pattern has now been running for twelve months. As originally planned, it is now time for a review. The PCCs of the four parishes will have their own discussion at their September meetings and report back to the Wardens for them to complete the review when they meet in October. Anyone who would like to send their individual comments on the service pattern, please get in touch with either Julia or Phillipa so that these can be considered in the overall review.

THE RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY AT THE RECTORY:

The dates of the next two Bible Studies at The Rectory are Tuesday 13th September & Thursday 20th October at 8.00pm. All welcome.

MONDAY MORNING COFFEE CLUB:

The Coffee Club will resume on **Monday 5th September**. It is held every Monday during term time, between 9.30am and 11.30am. Please pass this information on to anyone who may not be receiving these weekly Newsletters. It is a great way to start the week, calling in to the church and having a coffee and chat among friends.

"Link to Hope" SHOEBOX APPEAL:

As August has arrived it is time to start thinking about this year's Shoebox Appeal. Again, the shoeboxes will be sent to Romania, Moldova., Ukraine or Bulgaria. If you would like to help with this scheme, you will find the details for filling a shoebox on the bookcase just inside the church. Alternatively, you can donate any amount towards the Shoebox Appeal so that items can be bought in bulk to fill the boxes - details on the following link:-

<https://linktohope.co.uk/we-fill-a-shoebox-2022>

BHCT RIDE & STRIDE, SATURDAY 10th SEPTEMBER:

The next annual Ride & Stride will take place on Saturday 10th September. Participants may be cyclists, walkers, horse-riders or drivers of mobility scooters. They can be of any age, but under-13s must be accompanied by an adult. Visit as many churches as you like, planning your own route. Seek sponsorship from friends, relations and colleagues, so much per church visited or a lump sum. The funds collected initially go to Bucks Historic Church Trust and they return half the amount to the local church.

Contact Phillipa if you would like further information, or go to the Bucks Historic Churches website for full details:-

<https://bucks-historic-churches.org/ride-stride/>

SERVICES FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS:

On Sunday 28th August there will be just one service in the Benefice - Holy Communion service, 10am at Stoke Hammond.

The next service here will be the following Sunday, 4th September – a Benefice Holy Communion service at 10.00am.

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