

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

Sunday 2nd August 2026 – the Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion by Extension which will be led by Jeremy Hopkinson (as the member of clergy we had booked is no longer available, the bread and wine will have been consecrated at an earlier service).

Thank you to Jerry for playing the organ for us this morning.

The readings for today are:-

Isaiah 55: 1-5; Romans 9: 1-5; Matthew 14: 13-21

The collection plate will be passed round during the third/offertory hymn. Please use the Gift Aid envelopes provided if you are able to, and see Phillipa after the service If you prefer to use **the debit/credit card device**.

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

HARVEST CELEBRATIONS:

Early notice of our Harvest Celebrations on Sunday 20th September:-
11.00 Harvest Family Service followed by a Bring & Share Lunch

NEWS FROM THE RECTOR:

Below is a message received from John Waller:-

"We used some of the benefice's very generous farewell gift money for Tim, Claire and the girls and I to join an extended family outing to 'Matilda: The Musical' in Birmingham - we all enjoyed it a lot (especially our Matilda!). Thanks again for the very generous gifts. I am generally getting on well, beginning to feel settled here, and enjoying exploring Worcester - often by walking from my flat."

BRICKSTOCK DONATION:

The Cricket Club has very kindly sent us a donation of £300, as part of the profits raised from Brickstock. We are very grateful to the Cricket Club for their continued support.

THE BABY & TODDLER GROUP TAKING A BREAK:

The Monday morning Baby & Toddler Group is taking a break over the summer holidays. The sessions will resume on Monday 7th September.

THE FOOD BOX:

The Food Box is available in the church porch at all times for anyone who finds themselves in need. Thank you to High Ash for their donations and to all who have been leaving items in the Food Box. If anyone would like to leave suitable items, please place them either in or close to the box. All items must be non-perishable and well in-date. Below is a list of suggested items:

Tea, coffee, long-life milk, cereal, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, tins vegetables, soup, tins meat/chicken/tuna, long-life tinned meals.

DURING THE INTERREGNUM,

If anyone has any pastoral concerns, please contact:

Jeremy Hopkinson, LLM:- 07740 169260 jeremysfh@gmail.com

General enquiries to Phillipa - details below

FORTHCOMING SERVICES:

Next Sunday 9th August, there will be no service here in Great Brickhill. The only service in the Benefice will be:-

11.00 (Stoke Hammond) Family Service

The next service here will be on Sunday, 16th August:-

11.00 Family Service

The other services in the Benefice that day will be:-

9.30 (Bow Brickhill) Holy Communion led by Revd Paul Smith

17.00 (Stoke Hammond) Compline following afternoon tea 3-5pm

During the vacancy, clergy cover is being arranged, and all services should be held as normal.

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