

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

## **SUNDAY 2nd JULY 2023: The Fourth Sunday after Trinity**

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion, which will be led by the Rector. Thank you to Jerry for playing the organ for us this morning.

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

The readings for this morning are:-

Jeremiah 28: 5-9; Romans 6: 12-23; Matthew 10: 40-42

**The collection plate will be passed** round during the third/offertory 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.

### **CONFIRMATION SERVICE:**

A Confirmation Service will be held locally in the Deanery on **Sunday 5th November**, the venue tbc. The Rector will be holding preparation classes for all ages in September/October. **Anyone who is interested in being confirmed**, or wanting to hear more about what is involved, **is asked to contact the Rector before the end of July:-** Revd John Waller 01525 261062 [rector@brickhillschurches.org.uk](mailto:rector@brickhillschurches.org.uk)

### **RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY AT THE RECTORY:**

This month's Bible Study at The Rectory will be on **Thursday 20th July** at 8.00pm. All are welcome to attend and explore the bible readings for one of our forthcoming services.

### **OPEN GARDENS, LITTLE BRICKHILL, 8th & 9th JULY:**

In aid of St Mary Magdalene Church and Willen Hospice \* Lovely gardens to visit from 2pm to 6pm \* Train rides \* Refreshments available \* £5 per ticket to be collected from the Village Hall

### **"WORKDAY" WITH REFRESHMENTS, SATURDAY 12 AUGUST:**

There are a number of jobs that need doing both inside the church and in the church yard. A "Workday" is being held on **Saturday 12th August starting at 10am**. Any amount of time that you could give will be very helpful, no matter how long or short that will be. Refreshments will be provided. To plan the day, it would be useful if you could let Phillipa or Julia know if you might be able to come along. A list of jobs is being drawn up - if you are not able to join us on 12th August, there may well be jobs that you could do at a time convenient for you, just get in touch.

## **DEFECTS WORK ON NEW FACILITIES:**

You may have seen that the external doors have been removed from the new extension and the doorways have been boarded up. The doors have been taken to the new contractor's workshop and will be away until August when the other work to rectify all the other defects will be carried out. Apologies for any inconvenience caused during this essential work.

## **FOOD BOX:**

Recently, demand for produce from the Food Box has been high. If anyone would like to contribute to the stocked goods, we would be very grateful. All contributions can be placed inside the box or next to it. The main requirements at the moment are:-

**Tea, coffee, long life milk, cereal, tinned meals, pasta sauce, soup, baked beans, tinned fruit, custard.**

There is a full list of suggestions inside the box lid.

If you know of anyone who would benefit from this initiative, please pass this information on. For anyone in real need, there is also information near the Food Box on some local Food Larders, held in various locations on different days in Milton Keynes.

## **MONDAY MORNING COFFEE CLUB:**

The Coffee Club takes place in the church during term time from 9.30am – 11.30am. Call in for a coffee and a chat, any age most welcome! The Coffee Club will be running on each Monday until the end of the term.

## **SERVICES OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS:**

**Next Sunday 9th July**, the service here in Great Brickhill will be:- Evensong at 6pm. The other service in the Benefice is:  
11.00 (Stoke Hammond) Family Service

## **Special Service on 30th July:**

There is no Family Service this month but we are having a special joint service for everyone in the four villages of the Brickhills & Stoke Hammond at 11am on Sunday 30th July. It will be an Outdoor All Age Service similar to the one we held last summer. Provided the weather is good enough for us to hold the service outside, pets will again be welcome.

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