

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

Sunday 4th August 2024: The Tenth 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:-

Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15; Ephesians 4: 1-16; John 6: 24-35

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**.

END OF THE RE-ROOFING PROJECT:

We are delighted that the church is now back to normal - thank you to the team of people who have spent time this week cleaning and sorting things out. It has been quite a journey from the start of the re-roofing work on 12th February, but we now have a water-tight roof, repaired ceiling panels and a freshly painted church.

To celebrate the completion of the work, which could not have been achieved without the award of grants, we will be having a **Service of Thanksgiving on Sunday 13th October**. Many charities have contributed to the project, one of which is the Francis Coales Foundation. They have chosen St Mary's to be this year's recipient of the Francis Coales Foundation Chalice, which they will present to us at the service and we will hold it for one year. The service will be at 11am, followed by refreshments in the church.

RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY AT THE RECTORY:

The next Bible Study will be **this Thursday 8th August at 8pm**. All are welcome to come and discuss the passages from the bible from one of our forthcoming services. No prior knowledge of the text is required.

MONDAY MORNING COFFEE CLUB:

The Monday Morning Coffee Club is taking a break now until September, after the summer school holidays.

BUCKS COUNTY SHOW:

This year's show is on **Thursday 29th August**. There will again be a Deanery Hospitality Tent and volunteers are required to help with this. Claire Pincott will be helping from 1-2pm (Claire and the boys really enjoyed it last year). Other hourly slots up to 5pm are available if anyone else is interested in helping - please get in touch with me for more details.

FOOD BOX:

Access to the Food Box in the church porch is now throughout the week, at any time of day.

SERVICES IN THE COMING WEEKS:

NEXT SUNDAY 11th AUGUST "PIMMS & HYMNS":

Our very own version of a "Songs of Praise", a relaxed outdoor service for all the family in the churchyard at 4pm. As with other outdoor services, dogs will be welcome.

Jerry will be playing for the traditional hymns and Andrew, Margretta and Sophia will provide the music for the modern songs, all chosen by you! **There is just time to nominate your favourite hymn/song. Please send me your choice asap.**

The only other service in the Benefice is:-

11.00 (Stoke Hammond) Family Service

The following Sunday 18th August there will be a Family Service here at Great Brickhill at 11.00am.

Other services in the Benefice will be:-

9.30 (Bow Brickhill) Holy Communion

17.00 (Stoke Hammond) Compline following afternoon tea

DATE FOR THE DIARY:

Sunday 15th September:-

Harvest Family Service at 11am followed by a Bring and Share Lunch

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