The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 4th JUNE 2023: Trinity Sunday

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:-

Isaiah 40: 12-17, 27-31; 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13; Matthew 28: 16-20

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.

Next Saturday we are looking forward to the wedding here of Peter Howell and Pru Jones at 1.30pm.

BRICKSTOCK:

Thank you to everyone who helped with the teas at Brickstock last Sunday, either making the cakes or helping to serve the teas. After a slow start and thinking that we had many more cakes generously given to us than we needed, we then had a rush of people coming for a hot drink as the temperature dipped. We raised the fantastic sum of £375. Grateful thanks to the Cricket Club for giving us the opportunity to do the teas.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK DONATIONS:

Many thanks to those who have given a donation to Christian Aid Week. The cash collected was £70, mostly given under the Gift Aid scheme. The majority of donations from the parish will have been given online direct to Christian Aid.

RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY AT THE RECTORY:

The date of the next Bible Study at The Rectory is:- **Thursday 15th June 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.

TOMATO PLANTS:

Huge thanks to John Hall for donating the proceeds from selling his tomato plants. Thank you to all who purchased the plants and to John for the fantastic donation of £650.

"BIG HELP OUT DAY":

Following on from the "Big Help Out" day over the Coronation weekend, we will be holding our own "Big Help Out Day" on a Saturday in the coming weeks – please keep an eye out for the date and offer to help if you are able to, for as long or as little as you can. Lots of jobs to be done, something to suit everyone's ability.

WIRE GATES CLOSED:

A reminder to please close the wire gates at the church porch to keep the jackdaws out and to make sure the doors are closed securely by pulling the gates outwards, not just by using the bolt.

FOOD BOX:

Thank you to those who have been leaving items in the Food Box. The demand in recent weeks has increased and so we would be grateful for contributions. The items that are most needed are the essentials such as:- tea, coffee, milk and cereals. Anyone who would like to leave suitable items, please place them either in, or close to the box in the church porch.

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! After a string of Bank Holidays, the Coffee Club will now run on Mondays uninterrupted until the end of the term.

SERVICES OVER THE NEXT TWO WEEKS:

Next Sunday, 11th June: - Just one service, a joint service for everyone in the four villages of the Brickhills & Stoke Hammond: -

10.00am Benefice Holy Communion at Little Brickhill

The next service here will be on Sunday 18th June when we will be having a joint Family Service with Lidlington Church, which will include the blessing for Oskar Walmsley:

Other services in the Benefice:-

9.30am (Bow Brickhill) Holy Communion

9.30am (Stoke Hammond) Morning Worship

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