

# The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

## SUNDAY 8th MAY 2022: FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Welcome to our first service of Evensong this year. monthly Benefice Holy Communion service led by the Rector. Thank you to Jeremy for leading the service and to Jerry and the choir for the music.

The readings this evening are:- Acts 9: 36-43; John 10: 22-30

### Lifting of COVID regulations:

Following the latest guidelines issued by the Church of England, **the collection plate will be passed** round during the last hymn. Alternatively, collection can be taken at the end of the service via the **debit/credit card device**.

### CHURCHYARD MOWING:

“**Plantlife’s No Mow May**” is a campaign encouraging no mowing in May to give wildlife flowers and insects a better chance to flourish. In line with that, you will note that a strip of grass has been left unmown either side of the path.

### CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING, THURSDAY 19th MAY:

The Annual Church Meeting will be held in the church at 7.30pm. Elections will take place for Church Wardens and PCC Members. **We would love to welcome new members onto the PCC - please have a think about taking on this role and have a chat to Julia or me, or any of the current PCC members, to find out what the role entails.** Nomination slips for the elections are available on the book case or online. All the details can be found on the website:

<https://brickhillschurches.org.uk/great-brickhill/annual-church-meeting/annual-meeting-2022/>

### COFFEE MORNING IN THE CHURCH, SATURDAY 21st MAY:

A coffee morning and general get together in the church from 10.30am to 12 noon. **Donations will be collected in aid of Christian Aid Week**, which is 15th to 21st May.

There will not be a House-to-House collection around the village but donations may be made online. A special fundraising page for the Brickhills has been set up to provide an easy way for our village community to give a gift this Christian Aid Week. Please consider making a donation via the following link:-

<https://giving.give-star.com/microsite/christian-aid/christian-aid-week/team/e564a3ef-0fd6-4005-b8c4-7869fb767943>

## **JUBILEE WEEKEND 2nd – 5th JUNE:**

**A Photographic Exhibition** (similar to the 2018 exhibition "Our Village - Past and Present") will be held in the church over all four days of the Jubilee Weekend. The church will be open as usual from 10am - 4pm every day. Refreshments will be available:

- **Thursday 2nd June:-** teas from 3pm - 5pm
- **Saturday 4th June:-** coffee from 10am - 12 noon
- **Sunday 5th June:-** cream teas "Time to Unwind" from 3pm - 5pm

**If anyone has any new material to display**, particularly if the photos are from around the time of the Coronation, please let Julia have them by **Monday 23rd May** for a copy to be taken.

## **MONDAY MORNING COFFEE CLUB:**

The Coffee Club resumes tomorrow. Anyone is welcome to call in to the church for a coffee and chat - every Monday during term time, between 9.30am and 11.30am.

## **SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE TO THE END OF MAY:**

**Next Sunday, 15th May the service here will be a Family Service with a Baptism where we will welcome Tom & Alice Turner with family and friends for Georgina's christening at 11am.**

Other services in the Benefice will be:

- 9.30 (Bow Brickhill) Holy Communion
- 18.00 (Stoke Hammond) Evensong (BCP) (SAID)

**Sunday 22nd May – no service here but Coffee Morning in aid of Christian Aid on Saturday 21st May (details above)**

Services in the Benefice will be:

- 9.30 (Stoke Hammond) Holy Communion
- 11.00 (Bow Brickhill) Family Service & Baptism

**Sunday 29th May - one service in the Benefice:-**

Holy Communion, 10am at Little Brickhill

**Wednesday, 18th May** a Contemporary Service here in Great Brickhill with modern worship songs, similar to the service on Ash Wednesday. The theme of the service will be "**The Breath of the Spirit**", based on the passage John 20: 19-31, looking at the period between Easter and Pentecost.

**Refreshments from 7.30pm with the service starting at 7.45pm.**

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