

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 14th August – The Eighth Sunday in Trinity

Welcome to our services of Morning Worship and Evensong today. Morning Worship is led by Jane Castle with Rosemary Howell playing the organ and this evening the Rector will lead Evensong with Phillipa preaching the sermon and Paul Dickens playing the organ. Thank you to everyone. It is especially nice to be able to welcome Jane Castle back to Great Brickhill for a service after too long an interval. I am particularly grateful to Valerie Vestergaard for leading our intercession this morning. She has prepared these at very short notice. Thank you, Valerie.

Please stay for tea or coffee and a chat after the morning service.

Morning Worship

The readings are:-

**Romans 11 vs. 1 – 2a & 29 – 32 and:
Matthew 15 vs. 21 - 28.**

Evensong

The readings are:-

**Isaiah 56 vs. 1 & 6 - 8; and
Matthew 15 vs. 21 – 28.**

THIS WEEK

Drop-In is as usual on Monday afternoon at the Parish Hall.

NEWS

You will notice that Sheila isn't at our service this morning. Sadly, she had a fall on Friday and she has broken her hip. Sheila has been treated in Milton Keynes Hospital and we hope that she will be up and about soon. We wish her well. Please talk to Elsie for news of Sheila.

THE NEXT FUND-RAISING EVENT for the Church will be held on **Saturday, September 10th** when we will be participating in the Bucks Historic Churches Walk and Ride and there will be a Bar-B-Q afterwards to restore the inner man and

woman after the exertions! Please put the date in your diary and persuade your friends to join you for an interesting day out in good company. Details are on the bookcase near the door. There will be a bike ride and (possibly) three conducted walks of varying length and ease, depending on demand and interest. Valerie Vestergaard has kindly agreed to 'Church sit' and welcome visitors to Saint Mary's and offer some refreshments.

Thursday Group returns for a New Season on Thursday, 15th September, with tea at Knightleys, Heath Road. Please contact Betty if you need details (261836). The Group will meet fortnightly thereafter. The new and varied programme will be announced soon.

Then, on **Sunday, September 25th** there will be the annual performance of '**Messiah**' at **Great Brickhill**. Plans are being made to change the arrangements slightly – and the details will follow.

On **Friday, 30th September**, the annual **MacMillan Coffee Morning** will be held at 14 Holts Green, with Bring and Buy, Cake and Book stalls and tombola and greetings cards and much more – and also, coffee and chat!!!

Sunday 2nd October is Harvest Sunday. There will be a service of Common Worship Holy Communion at 11am, led by the Rector with Sister Hazel, followed by a **Harvest Lunch** in the Parish Hall to which everyone is warmly invited. The service will launch a month-long series of celebrations in services to mark the 400th Anniversary of the publication of the King James' Bible.

News about Christmas will follow soon.....

NEXT SUNDAY, 21st August, there will be a celebration of **Holy Communion at 9.30am**, led by the Rector.

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