

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 11th MAY:- The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion (Common Worship) this morning, led by the Rector with Susan Noon playing the organ.

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

The readings this morning are:-

Genesis 7: 1 - end; Acts 2: 42 - end; John 10: 1 - 10

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK, 11th to 17th MAY

Christian Aid week starts today, through until next Saturday. There is special Prayer Card available, a copy for everyone to take home with them. Thank you to all those who have agreed to help with this year's house to house collection. Please give as generously as you are able when one of the collectors calls at your door.

SUNDAY SERVICE pattern as from March:

Flyers are available from the bookcase, giving details of the **service pattern** across the benefice. A flyer is also available giving **details of the Family Services** for the next few months.

THIS WEEK:-

Drop-in with the Post Office will be held, as usual on Monday afternoons, 12th May, at the Parish Hall.

THE THURSDAY GROUP – the next fortnightly meeting will be on Thursday 22nd May, 2.30pm at 30 Pound Hill.

NEWS & EVENTS:-

DATE FOR THE DIARY

On Sunday 15th June there will be a Garden Party at the Church starting at 3.00pm. Cream teas will be available, served outside if possible. Jerry and Juliet will be arranging for the choir to provide some entertainment, singing secular songs. The afternoon will conclude with a simple half-hour evening service at 5.00pm, including some well-known hymns, short prayers and a short sermon.

MUSIC IN QUIET PLACES

This year's season of eight classical concerts, all held on Saturday evenings at 7.30pm, commenced last weekend. Copies of the programme giving all the dates, venues and concert details are available from the bookcase.

ANNUAL MEETING, 29th APRIL

The Great Brickhill Annual Church Meeting was held on Tuesday 29th April. Thirteen parishioners attended, along with eight members of the PCC. During the meeting the Annual Report and Accounts were adopted and updates were presented on the many aspects of Church life.

Anyone who has not yet received a copy of the Annual Report can collect a copy from the bookcase near the entrance to the church, or can download it from the church website.

Following uncontested elections Christine Agambar and Valerie Beardmore-Baldwin will continue as Church Wardens; Jeremy Hopkinson will serve for three years as Deanery Synod Representative. The following eight were elected as members of the PCC:- Clare Amies, Simon Bennett, Phillipa Cook, David Duncombe, Angela Northen, Margretta Smith, Julia Turner and Joy Wilson. The first meeting of the newly elected PCC will be held on Thursday 5th June in the Church at 8pm.

The Annual Meeting concluded with Compline.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY, 16th MARCH:

There will be a service of Evensong at 6.00pm in Great Brickhill, led by Jeremy.

Other Services across the Benefice:-

Bow Brickhill:- Consecration of the Graveyard by the Bishop of Buckingham at 3.00pm

Little Brickhill:- Family Service at 11.00am

Stoke Hammond:- Holy Communion at 9.00am

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