

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

Sunday 6th November, the Third Sunday before Advent

Welcome to our **Prayer Book Service of Holy Communion** this morning, led by Father Colin Griffiths.

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

The readings are:-

Amos 5: 18 - 24; 1 Thessalonians 4: 13 - 18; Matthew 25: 1 - 13

THIS WEEK

On Thursday, 10th November, THURSDAY GROUP will meet at Brandlings, Pound Hill at 2.30pm. Everyone is most welcome.

PAST EVENTS

The **Barn Dance** on 8th October raised £200 for the church, plus a further £200 from the proceeds of the raffle. Thanks go to Michael and Julia Turner for hosting the event at Rectory Farm, which was held for the benefit of the Cricket Club, High Ash School and the Church.

On Saturday 29th October the AUTUMN TIDY-UP of the Church and Churchyard took place. Many thanks to all those who gave their time to do all the necessary jobs ahead of the winter months. Your efforts are much appreciated.

THE NEWSPAPER COLLECTION

THANK YOU to everyone who helped load the lorry last weekend and thank you also to Frank for his tireless work collecting waste paper and cardboard. The load weighed 5.26 tonnes and at £60 per tonne, raised **£315**. This brings the total for the Newspaper Collections in 2011 to an amazing **£934**. Many thanks to Michael and Julia Turner for the continued use of the containers at Lower Rectory Farm.

FUTURE EVENTS

On Friday 25th November the “Spirit of Christmas” Bazaar will take place in the Church from 9.00am to 1.00pm. Please tell your friends to come along and do some Christmas shopping while enjoying good company and a cup of coffee. All proceeds will go to the running costs of the Church.

As in recent years there will be a **Charity Evensong** in December. This will be held at 6.00pm on 11th December – more details to follow.

Full details of all the **Christmas events** will follow shortly.

NEXT SUNDAY, 13th November, the **Remembrance Sunday Service** will be led by Jeremy and **will begin at 10.50am in the Church**. The service will finish with the procession and laying of the wreath ceremony at the War Memorial. Edward Maley is kindly making the arrangements for the service.

At 6pm next Sunday there will be a service of Compline (said evening prayers) instead of Evensong.

Anyone who has any Warden’s queries please contact:-

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