

# **The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill**

## **SUNDAY 14th JULY:- Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

We warmly welcome you to both of our services today. Morning Worship will be led by Phillipa and everyone is invited to stay after the service for refreshments and a chat.

A service of Compline led by the Rector is being held this evening in place of the usual Evensong as most of the choir and regular members of the congregation will be away.

The readings for today's services are:-

Morning Worship:- **Deuteronomy 30: 9 - 14; Luke 10: 25 - 37**

Compline:- **Deuteronomy 30: 9 - 14; Colossians 1: 1 - 14**

The theme for Morning Worship is:- ***"And who is my neighbour?"***

**The Psalm** is verses 1 - 10 from Psalm No 25.

The response for the congregation is:-

***"Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths."***

### **THIS WEEK:**

**Drop-in with the Post Office** will be held, as usual on Monday afternoon, 15th July, at the Parish Hall.

**The last meeting of the Thursday Group before the summer break will meet for tea this Thursday, 18th July** at Knightleys, 20 Heath Road at 2.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

### **NEXT SUNDAY, 21st JULY - SUMMER EVENT AND CONCERT**

A summer's afternoon entertainment is being planned, to include an (optional) walk, Tudor music by The Sands Cryers and cream teas in the church. The admission is free but donations will be requested in aid of the Church Organ Fund. Full details can be found in the fliers, which are available for collection from the bookcase.

### **NEWS:**

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES** will commence in the Benefice during the summer in preparation for a Deanery confirmation service on 29th September at Stewkley. Anyone interested in participating as a candidate for confirmation is asked to contact the Rector.

## PROPOSAL FOR NEW FACILITIES

Following the presentation a couple of weeks ago of the proposal for new facilities in the church, a date has been arranged for the PCC to meet to consider the comments that were made, and to discuss the next stage of development.

## BLESSING OF CROSS BY THE BISHOP:

**Bishop Alan visited High Ash School last week and blessed the cross** that was made by the children during Holy Week in association with the work that they did for their Easter Experience in the church. The Rector and Wardens were also present for the blessing of the cross, which they report is quite stunning.

## SPECIAL “BRING-AND-SHARE” FAMILY SERVICE, 28<sup>th</sup> JULY

Come along to our special family service where everyone is invited to join in the fun and **share a meal** afterwards.

There will be lots of participation for all ages, plus some great music. If you haven't been to the Family Service before, come along and meet new faces, young and old. Afterwards, stay as long as you like, as we all share a buffet meal, ..... maybe even outside if the weather is nice!

If you'd like to come along and stay for the meal, please bring a **plate of something to share** and a big smile.

Contact Margretta Smith for more info:-

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## SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY, 21st JULY:

There will be a service of **Holy Communion (Common Worship)** at **Great Brickhill at 9.30am**, led by the Rector. Other Services:-

**Bow Brickhill:-** Songs of Praise at 6.00pm

**Little Brickhill:-** Family Service at 11.15am

**Stoke Hammond:-** Holy Communion at 8.30am

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