

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 19th JULY 2015:- Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our service this evening led by Phillipa. **This weekend Little Brickhill are celebrating the twinning** of Little Brickhill with Colle Sannita in Benevento, Italy. A fun day and evening Hog Roast was held yesterday. Today there was an Ecumenical Service in the church at 11.00am and a Roman Catholic Mass is being held in the church at 6.00pm.

Jerry and the choir will be at the special service in Little Brickhill, hence the decision to hold a said service of Compline this evening instead of our scheduled service of Sung Evensong.

The readings this evening are:-

Jeremiah 23: 1 - 6; Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56

We heard the sad news this week that Hugh Butler has died – Hugh lived here in the village with his wife, Enid and ran the shop/Post Office – they then moved to Whaddon. Hugh was Tower Captain here for many years and occasionally came back to ring until quite recently. The funeral will take place later this month – please contact David Middleton or Andy Howell (234149) for the details.

ROOF REPAIRS:

The roofing contractor has started the repair work on the north aisle roof following the theft of the lead. All being well if the weather stays dry, the work should be completed this week. This interim repair will make the roof water tight for the foreseeable future. This will then allow time to decide on how best to approach a more permanent repair.

THIS WEEK:-

The Happy Cup Coffee Club, the child-friendly weekly drop-in coffee morning, especially welcoming parents and carers of young children is held **every Monday during term time in the church**, from **9.15am to 11.15am**. **All welcome** – not obligatory to bring a child with you!

Drop-in with the Post Office will be held on Monday afternoon, 20th July at the Parish Hall.

High Ash School will be holding their Leavers' Service in church this **Tuesday, 21st July at 9.30am**. All are welcome to attend.

The Thursday Group is now taking a break over the summer. The next fortnightly meeting will be held on **Thursday 10th September**.

NEWS & EVENTS:-

CHRISTMAS FAIR - SCARVES WANTED:

An appeal please for anyone who has unwanted scarves to donate them for the Christmas Fair as there will be a Scarf Stall at this year's Fair on Saturday 28th November. Either leave them in the vestry or give them to one of the Wardens or to any PCC member.

CONCERT & GARDEN PARTY:

On Sunday afternoon 5th July we welcomed **The Sands Cryers Choir** for the concert "In Old England, Jolly Good Times". They performed a selection of early choral music that would have been enjoyed by the villagers of Great Brickhill in days gone by. Thank you to Jerry for organising the singers and to all who helped with the cream teas. The event raised **£477** which was shared between the church and Macmillan Cancer Support.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 26th JULY:

There will be a Family Service with Baptism here at 11.00am led by the Rector.

Other Services across the Benefice:-

Bow Brickhill:- Holy Communion at 9.00am

Little Brickhill:- No Service

Stoke Hammond:- Morning Worship at 9.00am

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