

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 3rd September 2017:- The Twelfth after Trinity Sunday

Welcome to our Prayer Book Service of Holy Communion this morning, led by the Rector. We are hope that Sister Hazel is able to be here with us.

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

The readings this morning are:-

Jeremiah 15: 15 - 21; Romans 12: 9 - 21; Matthew 16: 21 - 28

This afternoon we have a baptism service and offer our prayers for the two children who are being christened, and their family.

FOUND two weeks ago:- A LADIES WATCH with a leather strap in one of the front pews – for details contact Julia or Phillipa.

THIS WEEK AND NEXT:-

The Happy Cup Coffee Club, the child-friendly drop-in coffee morning for parents and carers of young children, is coming to the end of its summer break. **It will resume on Monday 11th September and is held every Monday morning during term time in the church from 9.15am to 11.15am.** All are welcome.

Village Drop-In & Post Office:

The Drop-In is held on Monday afternoons at the Parish Hall, from **1.30 - 3.30pm**, so please call in for a cup of tea, slice of cake and a chat. **The Post Office** is held each week in the small room at the Parish Hall on **Thursdays, open from 2.00 - 4.00pm.**

NEWS AND EVENTS:

SUMMER AFTERNOON TEA:

A note from Rosie:- to express huge thanks to everyone who came to the Willen Hospice Tea Party on 23rd July; to the large band of people who worked so hard to set up and run the event and above all to wonder at people's generosity an amazing £1859.73 was raised: as it costs £7 per minute to run Willen Hospice, everything that can be collected is so very much appreciated. We were so incredibly fortunate that we were able to put up the marquees, enjoy the event and take down the marquees in the dry, as it poured with rain at every moment in-between!

LINK TO HOPE SHOEBOX APPEAL:

It is time to start thinking again of the Link to Hope shoebox appeal. If anyone would like to take part in this charity appeal the information and forms are available to take from the bookcase by the door of the church. Over 39,000 shoeboxes were delivered personally to people throughout Eastern Europe last year, who are on the edge of life, living in dire situations. Every shoebox really does give hope and changes lives. Please can any filled shoeboxes be given to Rosie Dawson by 22nd October (TEL: 261425).

AUCTION OF PROMISES, SATURDAY 21st OCTOBER:

The Auction of Promises with celebrity auctioneer, **Charlie Ross**, will be held in **the Parish Hall at 7.00pm**. The evening will start with a **two course supper with coffee – tickets £10**.

Can you offer a promise to be auctioned to raise funds for the church? It could be help with gardening, dog walking, flower arranging, a car journey or babysitting. Or offer to cook for a dinner party or bake a celebration cake. Or give help to learn to play a musical instrument, or to use a computer. Could you donate tickets to a sporting event or the theatre, or perhaps a stay in a holiday home? **All offers of promises will be gratefully received** and will be auctioned by Charlie Ross, which in itself 'promises' that the evening will be great fun - **do please join us!**

Ticket application forms and offers of promises - contact Phillipa Cook 01525 261521 or email pjcook6@gmail.com

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 10th SEPTEMBER:

There will be a service of Holy Communion (Common Worship) at 9.30am in Great Brickhill, led by the Rector.

Other Services across the Benefice:-

Bow Brickhill:- Family Service at 11.00am

Little Brickhill:- No Service

Stoke Hammond:- Holy Communion at 9.00am

On Sunday 24th September the Archdeacon of Buckingham, the Venerable Guy Elsmore, will be joining us for our HARVEST FAMILY SERVICE & LUNCH at 11.00am.

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