# The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

## SUNDAY 17th June 2018:- The Third Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our Service of Evensong, led by Jeremy. Thank you to Jerry for playing the organ for us and to the choir who will be accompanying our singing.

The readings for this evening are:-

Ezekiel 17: 22 - 24; Mark 4: 26 - 34

There has been an Art Exhibition here in the church this afternoon, an exhibition of affordable original art by Gill-y-Anne Artists (local artists Gill Wilson and Anne Marlow painting together). If you happened to miss it, do look at their website:-www.gill-y-anneartists.co.uk

#### THIS WEEK AND NEXT:

The Happy Cup Coffee Club, the child-friendly drop-in coffee morning for parents and carers is held on Monday mornings during term time in the church from 9.15am to 11.15am.

The Village 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 in the Parish Hall is open on Mondays, from 1pm to 3pm in the small meeting room.

#### **NEWS AND EVENTS:**

#### NEWS FROM GUATEMALA FOLLOWING THE VOLCANO

Janet Pritchard has kindly sent us this news from Guatemala:"In 2007 and subsequent years the PCC and members of the congregation kindly gave financial support to Nuevo Reto, an orphanage in Guatemala, at which Charlotte Pritchard spent many months over a period of years visiting and helping. Following the devastating volcanic eruption this week Charlotte has been able to make contact with Nuevo Reto and the family in the village which kindly 'adopted' her during her visits. Everyone Charlotte knows is safe. Nuevo Reto has taken in some single mothers and their children to help. The women in the family have been trained as Fire Fighters and therefore are helping with the rescue efforts. I know your prayers will be much appreciated".

#### CHRISTIAN AID COLLECTION:

Thank you to those who helped with last month's house to house Christian Aid collection. We were unable to cover the whole village but still collected the magnificent sum of £431.78. Many thanks to the collectors and to all those who gave so generously.

## "OUR VILLAGE" - PAST & PRESENT, 7th & 8th JULY:

There will be a photographic exhibition of Great Brickhill in the church on Sunday 7th July from 10-4pm and Sunday 8th July from 11-5pm. Refreshments available. Donations to the church.

### KING JAMES - A ROYAL PROGRESS, SUNDAY 8th JULY:

Renaissance music for a summer afternoon in the church at 2.30pm – the sort of songs and music the villagers of Great Brickhill might have heard during the reign of King James 1. The Cryers, an early music group based in Woburn Sands, accompanied by local musicians will perform songs with dances of the period. Cream Teas will be available. Donations for St Mary's Church.

### LITTLE BRICKHILL NEWS:

A Church Newsletter is being produced each month for Little Brickhill - the first edition is now uploaded to the website in the "Little Brickhill" section. The Stoke Hammond Newsletters have already been available to view for a number of months. Do have a look at these to see what is on offer in the coming months.

## **SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 24th JUNE:**

There will be a Family Service with Baptism here at 11.00am led by the Rector. We are looking forward to welcoming Ruaraidh and Alice (nee Amies) Maclean and family on occasion of the baptism of their son Roddy.

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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