

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

SUNDAY 22nd July 2018:- The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our **Family Service** this morning led by the Rector. We will be using recorded music to accompany our songs. The theme and readings will be for **Mary Magdalene whose saint's day falls on 22nd July**. The focus will be Mary being the first witness to the resurrection, and passing on the good news.

There will be activities for the children in the Lady Chapel.

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

The bible reading this morning is:- **John 20: 1-2, 11-18**

We were pleased to host the HIGH ASH SCHOOL end of year service for Year 6 in the church last Wednesday, 18th July.

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. Tomorrow will be the last session until after the summer holidays - it will resume on the first Monday morning at the start of next term, on 10th September.**

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

PHOTO EXHIBITION & CRYERS CONCERT WEEKEND:

“Our Village” – Past & Present: A good number of people visited the church over last weekend to enjoy the photographs displayed around the church, an exhibition of scenes from around the village, past and present. The photos will remain on display for a few more days if you wish to return to have another look, or bring some friends along to view them. Also on display are some stained-glass windows formerly from Elstree School, which have been offered to us. Please do not touch them as they are only temporarily in situ.

“King James – A Royal Progress”: What a wonderful concert The Cryers singers gave us on Sunday afternoon. “King James 1” and

“Queen Anne” welcomed us to their Summer Progress Revelry, renaissance music for a summer afternoon, the sort of songs and music the villagers of Great Brickhill might have heard during the reign of King James 1. Thank you to Jerry Breslin for organising the music and singers, and to the ladies who provided and served the delicious cream teas that were served outside after the concert. Donations received from the weekend totalled £385.

“SWEET MUSIC”, SATURDAY 6th OCTOBER:

A date for the diary, Saturday 6th October, a concert in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm featuring local talent organised by Butch Baker. Tickets will include as many sweets / desserts as you can eat. There will also be a bar. More details to follow.

LITTLE BRICKHILL & STOKE HAMMOND NEWS:

Little Brickhill and Stoke Hammond news is uploaded to the website in the “Little Brickhill” and “Stoke Hammond” sections.

NEXT SUNDAY, 29th JULY there will be a United Benefice Service of Holy Communion, **11.00am at Stoke Hammond**, led by Revd. Robert Wright.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY, 5th AUGUST:

There will be a said Holy Communion (BCP) Service at 11.00am in Great Brickhill, led by Revd Robert Wright.

Other Services across the Benefice:-

Bow Brickhill:- Evensong at 6.00pm

Little Brickhill:- No Service

Stoke Hammond:- Family Service at 11.00am

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