St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

PCC NEWSLETTER, 14th SEPTEMBER 2018



A musical evening of local talent on Saturday 6th October- more details below and poster attached

PHOTO EXHIBITION WEEKEND:

The photo exhibition in July was enjoyed by all who visited the church, with lots of interest in the photographs that portrayed the village over the decades. The Cryers' Concert on the Sunday afternoon was also successful and the cream teas in the churchyard were served on one of the hottest afternoons of the summer. Thank you to Jerry Breslin for organising the concert and to all who helped with the teas.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

"SWEET MUSIC", A CONCERT ON SATURDAY 6th OCTOBER

Butch Baker is organising a musical evening of local talent, a concert in the Parish Hall on Saturday 6th October, from 7.00pm – 10.30pm. There will be a bar and the tickets at £15 each will include as many sweets / desserts as you can eat.

Ticket applications to Phillipa Cook - payment can be made by BACS/Cheque/Cash:pjcook6@gmail.com Tel: 01525 261521

The poster giving all the details of the evening is attached with this email. The tickets are limited due to the capacity allowed in the Parish Hall – please apply for your tickets early to avoid disappointment.

THE "LINK TO HOPE" CHARITY SHOEBOX APPEAL:

Now is the time of year for the annual shoebox appeal. The sign in form and shoebox forms will be available near the church entrance through until October. Thank you in advance to those who wish to contribute to the charity - anyone who would like to know more about the project do look at the literature available, or contact Rosie Dawson who will be able to tell you more about the scheme:-

01525 261425 Robin.Rosie@zen.co.uk

There will be a swap shop afternoon at the **Monday Drop-in** at the Parish Hall on **24th September and 15th October** for the opportunity for people to either give or take an article to help start a box, or to fill an odd corner to complete one.

THE PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group has started to meet again in church on the **second and fourth Mondays of each month**. Come at 11.15am for a coffee but do arrive any time from 11.00am and meet up with those at the Coffee Club if you wish. Everyone is very welcome. If you are not able to come but would like a prayer said on your behalf, please feel free to put a note on the prayer board in the church porch.

The next Prayer Group dates:- Mondays 24th September and 8th & 22nd October

A DATE FOR THE DIARY:-

A Christmas Coffee Morning will be held in the church on the morning of Saturday, 1st December.

SPECIAL SERVICES IN THE WEEKS AHEAD:

1). Harvest Celebrations, Sunday 23rd September

A Harvest Family Service will be held in the church at 11.00am and this will be followed by a Bring & Share Lunch – bring some food of your choice to share with others.

The "Link to Hope" Shoe Box scheme above will be used for gifts at the Harvest Service – everyone is encouraged to bring an item that can be put in the shoe boxes. A list of suggested items to bring to the service will be provided.

2). United Benefice Holy Communion Service, 11am Sunday 30th September The Rector will be taking this service and the theme will be "We refuse to be enemies", reflections and photographs by the Rector on his recent visit to Israel/Palestine.

3). All Souls Service, 6.00pm Sunday 4th November

This is the annual benefice service held at Little Brickhill, in which we remember with thanksgiving our loved ones who have died either here local to us or from further afield, especially those we have lost during the past year. If you would like the name of someone dear to you to be included in the prayers, please give the name by Thursday 1st November if possible.

4). Service of Remembrance, 10.50am Sunday 11th November

As this is the centenary year a special peel of bell ringing is being arranged nationally, beacons will be lit across the country and here in this village specially made crotched poppies will adorn the church. The Service of Remembrance will be at the normal time, 10.50am, followed by the laying of wreaths at the war memorial.

5). Charity Songs of Praise, 5.00pm Sunday 18th November

This service will again be used to raise funds for our Christmas appeal. If anyone would like to suggest a hymn or a reading please get in touch by 1st November,

For further information please contact:-

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Do please remember that all the information about Church events or services can be found on the Benefice website: www.brickhillschurches.org.uk