

# **The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill**

**SUNDAY 28th JULY 2019: Sixth Sunday after Trinity**

Welcome to our Family Service this morning led by the Rector. We are delighted to welcome friends and family of Jon and Claire Pincott to celebrate the baptism of their younger son, Herbie. Thank you to Andrew and Margretta who will be playing the music to accompany our singing. Everyone is invited to stay after the service for coffee and a chat.

**The reading this morning is:- Luke 11: 1-4 & 9-10**

**Due to the Bank Holiday there will not be a Family Service on the last Sunday in August. The next Family Service will be on Sunday 22nd September when we will have our Harvest celebration with a Bring & Share Lunch after the service.**

## **ULTRA MARATHON MAN:**

**This weekend Roger Blofeld is doing his sponsored run to raise funds for the proposed toilet extension. He is attempting to run 105 miles in the Lakeland 100 Ultra Marathon within the cut off time of 40 hours.** Included in the distance is an ascent/descent of 6270m, which is equivalent to going up and down Ben Nevis nearly 5 times. Any sponsorship that you can give will be a huge encouragement for Roger – either via our envelope scheme or by:-

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/run-to-spend-a-penny>

## **NEWS AND EVENTS:-**

**The Happy Cup Coffee Club**, the child-friendly drop-in coffee morning for parents and carers is held every Monday morning in the church from 10.00am to 11.15am during term time. **It will resume after the summer holidays on the first Monday morning at the start of next term, on 9th 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.

**The Prayer Group is held in church on the second and fourth Mondays** of each month. They meet around 11.00am for a coffee with those at the Coffee Club. **There is now a break over the summer holiday period until Monday 9th September.**

**There is an e-mail Prayer Chain** for those who meet together. Anyone who wishes a prayer to be included at any time should contact:- Valerie Kerr ([valeriejerr@hotmail.com](mailto:valeriejerr@hotmail.com)) or Mary Maley ([mary@maley.org.uk](mailto:mary@maley.org.uk)).

### **CHARITY SONGS OF PRAISE:**

Thanks go to Robert and Vicky Wright and all who contributed to last Sunday's Songs of Praise. There was a good variety of hymns and having each of them introduced by those who had chosen them, made it very special. Thanks to our organist Jerry for providing the information for all the hymns. It was wonderful that in the absence of the Benefice choir, he was able to arrange for the Willen choir to come along and accompany our hymns and sing an anthem. **The total of the donations came to £406, mainly given under the gift aid scheme. The appeal will remain open until the end of August – please use the special RNLI envelopes on the bookcase and pass your donations to Phillipa or Julia.**

### **LINK TO HOPE CHARITY SHOEBOX APPEAL:**

Forms for the 2019 “Link to Hope” charity shoebox appeal may be obtained from a clip board on the bookcase by the porch door for those who would like to support this charity. Its work really does make a difference to the lives of extremely poor people in eastern Europe. Receiving a shoebox full of useful items brings joy to thousands of families at Christmas time.

### **A WINE & CHEESE EVENING WITH JACK SHEFFIELD:**

The above event with the local author of the best-selling “Teacher” series is being held on Saturday 14th September in Stoke Hammond Community Centre at 7.00pm. Tickets £7 from Dave Webber:- [david.webber@btinternet.com](mailto:david.webber@btinternet.com) 07711 026193

### **SERVICES ON 4th AUGUST:**

**There will be a Holy Communion (BCP) Service at 11.00am in Great Brickhill, led by the Rector.** Other Services in the Benefice:-

**Bow Brickhill:-** Evensong at 6.00pm

**Little Brickhill:-** Holy Communion at 9.30am

**Stoke Hammond:-** Family Service at 11.00am

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