

# The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Brickhill

## Sunday 5th July 2026 – the Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion, when we will welcome the Archdeacon, the Ven Cassa Messervy, making her first visit to the Benefice, to lead our service. Thank you to Jerry for playing the organ for us this morning.

The readings for today are:-

Zechariah 9: 9-12; Romans 7: 15-25a; Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30

**The collection plate will be passed round** during the third/offertory hymn. Please use the Gift Aid envelopes provided if you are able to, and see Phillipa after the service If you prefer to use **the debit/credit card device**.

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

### **THE PHOTO EXHIBITION IN THE CHURCH:**

As you can see, there were a lot of photos on display of the village from times past. These will remain in place until 13th July to allow anyone who hasn't yet seen them, to call in the church at their leisure from 10am to 4pm to have a look at them. Many thanks to the WI for bringing their memorabilia last Sunday celebrating their 100 years, and to the Great Brickhill Charity for the display of very old documents. As a contrast to that, David Marlow showed on his laptop a selection of the 1750 photos that are available on the Heritage website. And there was footage shown of the Great Brickhill Silver Jubilee celebrations on Monday 6th June 1977. There was a steady stream of visitors throughout the weekend and those who came on Sunday afternoon enjoyed cream teas which raised £126.

### **NEXT SUNDAY, 12th JULY OUR PIMMS & HYMNS:**

Our outdoor "Pimms & Hymns" service for all the family will be in the churchyard next Sunday 12th July at 4pm. **We will be singing traditional hymns and modern worship songs chosen by YOU. We would like to hear from you as to which hymns/songs you would like.** This is a great chance for you to sing your favourite hymn/song. Please send Phillipa your choice asap in order that it can be included. As usual for this service, we would welcome any well-behaved four-legged friends that would like to come.

## **MONDAY MORNING BABY & TODDLER GROUP:**

The Baby & Toddler Group meet in the church on Mondays during term time from 10am - 12 noon. All are welcome, parents, grandparents, carers, child-minders, to meet up and enjoy a cup of coffee and a chat. A perfect way for new mums to meet, especially newcomers to the village with young babies.

## **THE FOOD BOX:**

The Food Box is available in the church porch at all times for anyone who finds themselves in need. Thank you to High Ash for their donations and to all who have been leaving items in the Food Box. If anyone would like to leave suitable items, please place them either in or close to the box. All items must be non-perishable and well in-date. Below is a list of suggested items:

Tea, coffee, long-life milk, cereal, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, tins vegetables, soup, tins meat/chicken/tuna, long-life tinned meals.

## **DURING THE INTERREGNUM, .....**

If anyone has any pastoral concerns, please contact:

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General enquiries to Phillipa - details below

## **FORTHCOMING SERVICES:**

**Next Sunday, 12th July, the service here will at 4pm in the churchyard - Pimms & Hymns, details above.**

**The other service in the Benefice will be:-**

11.00 (Stoke Hammond) Family Service

**The following Sunday 19th July** is the monthly Benefice service, a joint service for everyone in the four villages of the Brickhills & Stoke Hammond -10am at Bow Brickhill, Holy Communion, which will be led by Revd Steve Barnes.

**During the vacancy, clergy cover is being arranged, and all services should be held as normal.**

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