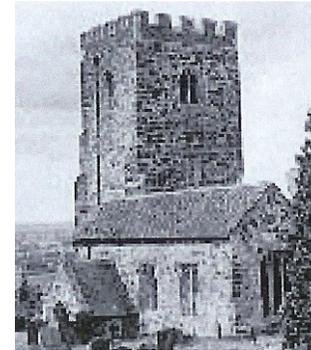


Bow Brickhill Parish News



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COPY DEADLINE - OCTOBER

Please deliver contributions by 22 September 2008 to:
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY—SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 2nd	Bow Brickhill Club 2.00-4.00pm Pavilion. Bring and Buy Sale
Wednesday 3rd	Green Bin Collection
Thursday 4th	Youth Club. 7.00pm Pavilion
Monday 8th	Line Dancing. 7.00pm Pavilion. Book Club. Contact Celia 07776 136828 for details
Tuesday 9th	John the Barber. 2pm to 6pm Greenways Layby
Weds 10th	Brownies. 6pm to 7.15pm Church Hall
Thursday 11th	Parish Council Meeting. 7.30pm Pavilion
Friday 12th	Church Harvest Supper. 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Church Hall. Phone 372032 or 370811 for tickets.
Saturday 13th	Annual Sponsored Bike Ride in aid of Bucks Historic Churches Trust. Church and Tower open.
Monday 15th	Line Dancing. 7.00pm Pavilion. Church Harvest Auction. 8.00pm. The Wheatsheaf
Weds 17th	Green Bin Collection Brownies. 6.00-7.15pm. Church Hall.
Thursday 18th	Woburn Sands Big Band Society. 7pm for 7.30pm. Ellen Pettit Memorial Hall Woburn Sands
Sunday 21st	Brickhills' Messiah. 7.30pm Great Brickhill Church
Tuesday 23rd	John the Barber. 2pm to 6pm Greenways Layby
Weds 24th	Brownies. 6.00-7.15pm. Church Hall.
Thursday 25th	WI. 7.30pm Pavilion. Stained Glass Windows and competition for crystal item.
Sunday 28th	All Saints Lunch Club. 12.15pm for 12.30pm. Church



MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE

(Response to a communication from the Parish Council)



I am sorry we have stopped the visit of the mobile library service to Bow Brickhill. The decision was made after we recently carried out a minor review of the service to rationalise a number of stops and to make the service more effective. Unfortunately the number of visitors to the mobile at the Bow Brickhill stop has declined over the past few years and was in fact one of the worst attended stops. The total number of visitors during the past year (May 07 to May 08) was only 26 which averages at only 1 customer per visit. We are regularly asked to introduce new stops to the mobile library route and therefore by removing the less popular stops we can introduce new stops where there is a demand. In fact by stopping the visit to Bow Brickhill we have been able to add a new stop at a care home in Bletchley and this has already had 12 and 10 customers at each of the last 2 visits.

There was only one regular visitor to the Bow Brickhill stop and we gave her advance warning that the mobile library vehicle would stop visiting. We have offered her an alternative service of the Home Reader Service which she has accepted.

Whilst I can understand your disappointment at losing the service I am sure you can appreciate we are trying to provide a more efficient and cost effective service to those areas and residents of Milton Keynes that make good use of the mobile library. We keep the service under review and so if you find that there is a substantial group who would be likely to use the service please let me know and we will take that in to account next time we are reviewing stops.

Thank you for your interest in the Library Service.
Sally Elson
Principal Librarian (Projects & Development)
Milton Keynes Library Service

GREEN BIN COLLECTION

Wednesday
3rd and 17th September



BOW BRICKHILL CLUB JULY – AUGUST MEETINGS

Since our last newsletter the club spent a very enjoyable day, on Thursday July 17th, cruising through the Chilterns on the Grand Union Canal. After lunch in Berkhamsted we were collected by our coach and taken to Tring where we boarded a narrow boat for a three hour cruise, including a delicious cream tea. This was a very relaxed afternoon culminating in a very interesting journey home, as our coach driver took the scenic route over Dunstable Downs.



Although many clubs do not meet in August, the Bow Brickhill Club carry on as usual. As we had no speaker this month the quiz took the form of a competition, "The Da Vinci Puzzle!" with Jigsaw pieces in lieu of codes. Eight teams, each randomly selected a jumbled picture by the Italian master artists, such as Michelangelo, Titian and Leonardo Da Vinci. Yes, Mona was there!. All 29 members took part, continuing even during the tea interval. The winning team, Mike, Shirley, Pat and Joyce completed "Christ as the Redeemer" in record time. This proved to be a long, but very popular competition.



Our next meeting on **September 2nd (2.00 pm. in the Pavilion)** will include our annual "Bring and Buy" sale. Everyone is welcome, and we look forward to a very jolly, bargain hunting, afternoon.

YOUTH CLUB

Following the summer break the youth club meets again on

**4th and 18th September
In the Pavilion
7.00pm to 9.00pm**



For more information contact
Beverley Thomas 372192



WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our July meeting was spent at Dobbies Garden Centre where we had tea and cakes, followed by an interesting talk and a chance to browse and purchase if we wished, but as the only customers in the store, this was quite a strange experience!



Our August meeting took the form of a 'Show and Tell' evening when members brought along collections or items of particular interest to them, giving a little of their history. Collections ranged from dolls, photos, china pieces, hand-made cards and bookmarks, all of which provided an eye-opening and entertaining evening.

June Whitaker won the competition for a piece of ivory with a beautifully carved lady with parasol.



September's talk will be about stained glass.

BIKE RIDES

Everyday Activity Bike Rides - led bike rides lasting no longer than an hour, ideal for those who may not have been on a bike in a while or are less confident cycling on their own. These are part of the Everyday Activity Project which aims to get the adults of MK more active.



Stacey Bushes Bike Ride

Alternate Tuesdays at 11.00am. 2nd, 16th, 30th Sept, 14th, 28th Oct, 11th, 25th Nov.

Meet at Stacey Bushes Meeting Place

Eaglestone Bike Ride

Alternate Thursdays at 10.00am 4th, 18th Sept, 2nd Oct.

Meet at Eaglestone Meeting Place

If you need to hire a bike contact

Kirsty Heath

Everyday Activity Coordinator

Mobile: 07932453759 Phone: 01908254456

www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/sportsdev

BRICKHILLS MESSIAH



Handel's Messiah at
Great Brickhill Church
given by local musicians
Sunday 21st September
7.30pm



The Brickhills have had over the years a long tradition of sacred choral music. Great Brickhill and Little Brickhill still retain impressive pipe organs, and choral traditions in Woburn and the surrounding area are strong. This annual performance of the Brickhills Messiah will become a part of this great local tradition.

Tickets (£7.50 adults, £5.00 concessions) available from Rupert Fairclough, Sue Malleson or Jerry Breslin (01908 582952).

All Proceeds to Willen Hospice, We would like to beat the £3000 we raised last year so your support is very welcome

ALL SAINTS LUNCH CLUB



Sunday September 28th
12.15pm for 12.30pm
the Church hall.



This will be the 4th anniversary of the lunch club so we hope to have as many guests as possible to make it a special occasion.

To book in please contact either Chris Loak at the Bow Brickhill club or Stuart and Kay on 372032.

CHURCH ROTAS



SEPTEMBER
7th
14th
21st
28th

FLOWERS
Mrs S Paulger
Mrs S Paulger



CLEANING
Mrs S Willis
Mrs S Willis
Mrs E Morrison
Mrs E Morrison

HARVEST FESTIVAL WEEKEND

Harvest Supper

This year the Harvest supper is to be held on **Friday 12th September** (please note the change of date from the 13th!) in the church hall at **7.00pm for 7.30pm**.

This will be a buffet supper with an international flavour and there will be food, fellowship and plenty of conversation.

Bring your own drinks to this family evening – children are very welcome.

Tickets £6.00 for adults and £3.00 for children. To book in call Stuart on 372032 or Rosemary on 370811.



Family Service

Our harvest family service will be on **Sunday 14th at 11.00am**. Gifts of produce can be brought to the service or during the church open day on Saturday. Bow Brickhill school have been invited to attend and we hope to see as many children and parents as possible.

Produce Auction

On **Monday 15th at 8.00pm** in the Wheatsheaf courtesy of Jim and Ann we will hold our usual harvest auction. Mike Parker will be our auctioneer once again so join us for an evening of fun and good company and also help support our church.



SPONSORED BIKE RIDE AND CHURCH OPEN DAY

The annual sponsored bike ride in aid of Bucks Historic Churches Trust will take place on **Saturday 13th** and participating cyclists will visit as many local churches as they can in order to raise funds for the trust and their own church. If you would like to take part please contact John Wales on 373907 for a sponsor form and further details.



The church will be open from **10.00am until 6.00pm**.

Photographs and memorabilia will be on display and refreshments will be available.

The tower will be open in the afternoon from **2.00pm until 5.00pm** and is well worth a visit to see the superb views of the surrounding countryside.

PUBLIC FOOTPATHS

Recently Rupert Fairclough, David Hopkins and Andy Burton from Milton Keynes Council walked the public footpaths in Bow Brickhill as a response to resident complaints about their condition.

Andy Burton has taken away a list of the problems and has promised a full report and action plan for the near future.

If residents have concerns like this please do not hesitate to contact your Parish Council representatives.

.... and on this topic, a huge thank you from all walkers who use the footpath from Greenways into the woods and surrounding area to the “secret mower” who clears the paths for us. It really does make such a difference to our enjoyment of the beautiful countryside around the village.



WOBURN SANDS BIG BAND SOCIETY

**Thursday 18th September
7.30pm
Ellen Pettit Memorial Hall
Woburn Sands**



Bedford Corn Exchange

Sunday 28th September Adrian Buller Big Band
Sunday 16th November Jay Craig Orchestra
Sunday 14th December Glenn Miller Anniversary Concert:
Syd Lawrence Orchestra & Strings

Stantonbury Campus Milton Keynes

Sunday 30th November James Goff Big Band



Calling all trombone players!

If anyone knows of any trombone players, please contact James Goff on 01908 614323

SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

Bow Brickhill All Saints



7th September

9.30am Holy Communion

14th September

11.00am Harvest Family
Service

21st September

6.00pm Evensong

28th September

8.00am Holy Communion

Little Brickhill St Mary Magdalene



7th September

6.00pm Holy Communion

14th September

11.00am Morning Worship

21st September

11.00am Family Service

28th September

9.30am Holy Communion

Great Brickhill St Mary the Virgin



7th September

Patronal Festival

9.30am Holy Communion

14th September

9.30am Morning Worship

6.00pm Evensong

21st September

9.30am Holy Communion

28th September

4.00pm Sunday@Four

Stoke Hammond St Luke



7th September

11.00am Family Service

14th September

9.30am Holy Communion

21st September

9.30am Harvest Holy
Communion followed by lunch

28th September

9.30am Morning Worship



LETTER FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

What is church for?

Churches do many things, and are involved in many activities – some of them similar to what other groups and organisations are doing. But what is at the heart of what churches should be – what is church for?

I believe that the church exists primarily to make disciples of Jesus. At the end of Matthew's gospel, Jesus calls his first followers to 'go to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples.' A disciple is somebody who is under the 'discipline' of a teacher and leader, who is seeking to learn from their teaching, and to model their way of life on their example. That is the central purpose of a church, and everything else that churches do should in some way be an expression of it.

So those who are part of the church will be those who are seeking to be followers of Jesus. Not that we are perfect, or have everything in our lives sorted out. Far from it – but we are sincerely seeking to model our lives on Jesus and his example. And being a disciple involves encouraging other people to be disciples too.

Over the next year we will be following a project called Growing Disciples. It is based around monthly group meetings, with some other thinking and action to be followed up between the meetings, which can help us learn more about being a disciple, and leading others to be disciples too. The first meeting will be in September. Please contact me if you would like more information about it.

Revd. John Waller

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