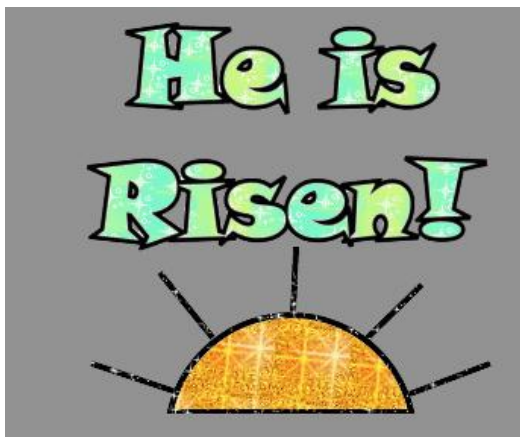


ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



CHURCH OF ST GUTHLAC

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18 May 2014

The Fifth Sunday of Easter (Easter 4)

10.30 am Matins

Presentation to Bubbles children and parents

WELCOME TO ANYONE VISITING US FOR THE FIRST TIME!

Please announce yourself to one of our welcomers and sign in the welcome book so that we get to know you by name! Also, please introduce yourself to Revd Richard or one of the Churchwardens. St Guthlac's is YOUR local church. We feel part of the local community and we hope that you will feel part of the church community. **We have a welcome sheet:** please ask for one if it is not handed to you on arrival.

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FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND MEETINGS

Tuesday 20 May, 7.30 pm

Meeting of PCC

Wednesday 21 May, 7.30 pm

Choir Practice

Thursday 22 May, 9.30 am

Holy Communion

Sunday 25 May, 10.30 am

Communion for All

For more information about St Guthlac's, **please consult the notice board** or our website **<http://www.stguthlac-knighton.co.uk/>**

BUILDING BEYOND 2012 – WELCOME AREA FOR ST GUTHLAC'S. Many thanks for your kind generosity in helping us meet our target! This is a great blessing. We are still receiving donations to ensure that we can complete the project in terms of any extra needs or any unforeseen costs.

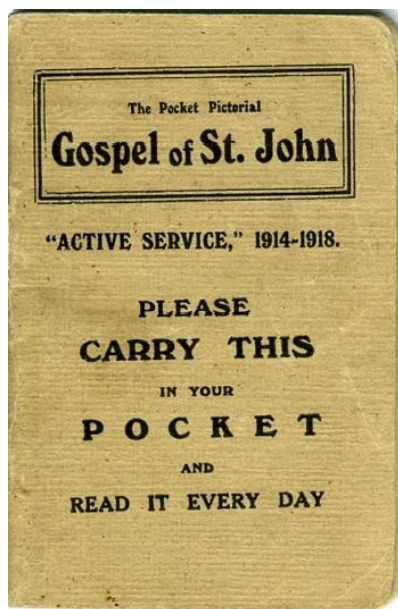
REVITALISATION OF HOLBROOK MEMORIAL HALL. Work started on the internal refurbishment on Monday 7 April. Our thanks to Steve Bowyer and the team working on the project.

PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL. We have been asked to keep **Liz Singleton, Margaret Ellershaw, Tom Skinner** and **Janet Hubbard** in our prayers. Please also pray for the soul of **Sir Timothy Brooks, KCVO** who died recently. For other prayer requests, please speak to the Revd Richard.

LEGACIES. We welcome all legacies, however large or small, and we promise to use your gift to make a difference in our parish. Please consider leaving a proportion of your estate as a gift in your Will to our parish. For confidential advice to anyone at St Guthlac's, please contact Mark Wyatt [REDACTED]
<http://www.parishresources.org.uk/legacies/resources-on-legacies/>

TO ALL INTERCESSORS Please remember to keep a watch on the rota for your turn to prepare intercessions. If you swap with someone else, please let Jane and the Revd Richard know by email to avoid any possible confusion. Thank you.

THE REVD RICHARD WRITES As I announced in Church last Sunday, I am delighted that the application to the Diocesan Growth Fund for £750 to support a series of related projects focusing on the Centenary of the outbreak of World War I and Remembrance has been supported and an extra £50 added to the grant for one extra item (i.e. £800 in all).



The Project seeks to examine, explain and bring to life the impact of WWI on the local Knighton community for local people, and in particular for young people. It aims to: • Explore the stories behind the names on the church and other local war memorials; • Collect & record the stories of the church and local families' connections with WWI; • Investigate what life was like in South Knighton 1914-18, working in partnership with the local Community Group; • Highlight the importance of the church's Memorial Hall next to the church as a community focus at all times and a permanent legacy of the war (the hall has received a BIFFA £50,000 grant for renovation this year, and one condition is that it should continue to hold events for the whole community on a regular basis); • Reconnect the uniformed organisations of the parish with the church community by involving them in the research and exhibition development; • Stage a well-promoted WWI exhibition and series of events in the week prior to Remembrance 2014; • Promote the project locally and via the web; • Engage new people in the work of St. Guthlac's and encourage people returning to the faith through the liveliness of the project and the opportunities to contribute and be involved; • Support and promote the unique identity of Knighton which is sometimes lost between Leicester city and Leicestershire county.

The extra £50 is to buy some replica Active Service Gospels. The Active Service Gospels and New Testaments were made to fit in the top pocket of a uniform, with rounded edges to prevent creasing. They had hymns at the back so that chaplains could use them to lead church services, and a decision form that soldiers could sign as a declaration of faith. Each one had the message from Lord Roberts on the inside. 'I ask you to put your trust in God', it read, and many did. By the end of the war, the Scripture Gift Mission (SGM) had distributed 43 million items of literature, despite working with a reduced workforce. The mission spent upwards of £30,000 a year during the war, against a normal spend of around £4,000. Our thanks to Margaret, Yolanda and all those who have helped contribute towards drafting the application for this grant.

AN INTRODUCTION TO JAINISM, Wed 28 May, 6pm to 7.30 pm at St Philip's Church, Evington Road, LE2 1HN. To book a place if you are interested, contacted admin@stphilipscentre.co.uk

MAGICAL MIDSUMMER MUSIC with Boobs & Brass – the acclaimed all female brass band **Saturday, 21st June 2014, at 7.30 pm** St Mary Magdalen Tickets: £10 & under 16 £5 including refreshments available from Knighton Parish Office (open 9am – 1 pm) **0116 2702705**, Carolyn Oldershaw [REDACTED] Peter Carr [REDACTED], Sue Ardley [REDACTED] and Fiona Wingate.

MESSY CHURCH The next messy church will take place on **Friday 13th June**, 3.30-5.45pm at Stoneygate Baptist Church

BUSY BEES This year's holiday club for children aged 5-11 years, takes place on **16th, 17th, 18th July 2014** at **Stoneygate Baptist Church**. The club is free of charge but places are limited to 40 children so please book your place in advance by phoning Judi Stone [REDACTED] or see www.stoneygatebaptist.org.uk

MAY FAYRE Thanks to all those who made this an enjoyable occasion for everyone, young and less young. Over **£960** has been raised for church funds.

CUMBRIAN WAY WALK, 10 May-17 May. Our intrepid group of walkers walked for six days from Ulverston to Carlisle. Margaret walked for the Holbrook Dementia Café and appeals to the congregation and others to support this cause. Sponsorship forms are still available.

INFORMATION FOR THE NEWSLETTER Please contact us at the latest by 9 am Friday for material to be included in the next weekly newsletter. administrator@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk