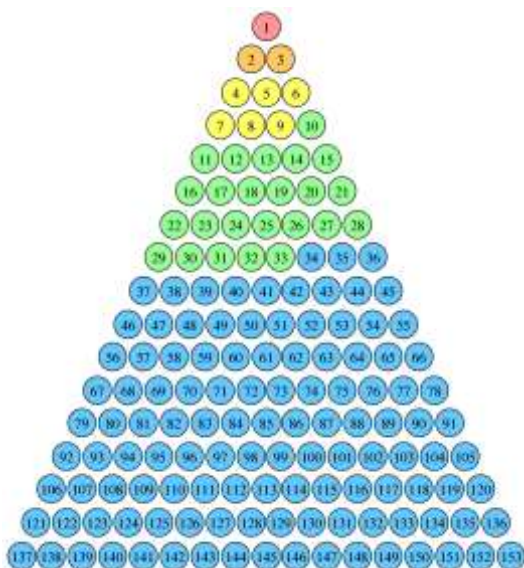


ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



CHURCH OF ST GUTHLAC

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10 April 2016

10.30 am Easter 2: All Age Communion

WELCOME TO ANY OF YOU 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.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND MEETINGS

Monday 11 April, 7.30 pm Patronal Festival, Relicensing and
Consecration of St Guthlac's
Wednesday 13 April, 7.30 pm Choir Practice.
Sunday 17 April, 10.30 am **Matins**

Cover image. *Gematria*: What about the 153 fish?

PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL With sadness we note the decease of **Margaret Asher**, who for many years was heavily involved in the musical life of the parish. We have been asked to keep **Terry Cocks, Ann Spring, Dorothy Wollaston, Flo McVey** and **Saty French** in our prayers. For other prayer requests, please speak to the Revd Richard.

THE REVD RICHARD WRITES: This kind letter of appreciation has been received from the Mobile Clinic in Northern Malawi.

Dear Revd Bonney,

Easter greetings to you and all at St Guthlac's.

Bishop Boyle has kept me and the Diocese informed of the generosity of St Guthlac's and your support for our Mobile Clinic. This is a great boost to our work and makes a significant difference to this Diocesan outreach programme.

I go on Wednesday for my next visit to Mfula and will be taking 12bags of Likuni Phala for distribution to the under five and pregnant women. This is nutritious food which is recommended.

I thank you most warmly for this great help and also your Church's Christian care for the worldwide Church and their open handedness.

Yours in Christ's Service

Rev Canon James Chifisi, MA, Vicar General

With regard to the cover image to explain the 153 fish in the gospel story as a triangular number, the other numbers are: 0, 1, 3, 6, 10, 15, 21, 28, 36, 45, 55, 66, 78, 91, 105, 120, 136, 153, 171, 190, 210, 231, 253, 276, 300, 325, 351, 378, 406, 435, 465, 496, 528, 561, 595, 630, 666, 703, 741, 780, 820, 861, 903, 946, 990, 1035, 1081, 1128, 1176, 1225, 1275, 1326, 1378, 1431. If you see one of these numbers in the Bible, you can be pretty certain that something important is likely to be happening.

BRANDING OF ST GUTHLAC'S For the service on Monday evening I was asked to produce a logo for St Guthlac's. Once I got into thinking about this, I thought that it might be good to have a few products that could be sold at only modest mark up to help to project the image of the Church. These are: St Guthlac's mug £8; St Guthlac's notebooks £10; St Guthlac's pens £3. These will be sold for the first time on Monday evening in Holbrook Hall after the service. There could be St Guthlac's t-shirts too, but I would need to know who would be interested and what sizes would be required. Please show your support by helping to project the image of St Guthlac's as a parish Church. Thank you. Richard



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OPEN EVENING AT THE EDGE PROJECT, WEDNESDAY 20 April. If you would like to find out more about what the Edge Project seeks to achieve please come to this evening. It will be organized in two sessions, 6-7 pm and 7-8 pm. The event will conclude by 8 pm. For more information, please contact Ali Simpson-Smith Pioneer Youth Minister and Project Manager for **The Edge Project** on 0754 552 9104 or alikay1204@hotmail.co.uk

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING is on Sunday 24th April 12 noon. If there is anyone who would like to be nominated for the PCC please let **Lesley know**. AGM brochures are now available at the back of church. Please bring your copy to the meeting for reference.

MAY FAYRE Monday 2nd May. We would be pleased to receive donations of **tombola prizes and toys**, which can be left at the back of church; plants and cakes can be donated nearer the time. If you are able to **help on the day**, even for a short time, please sign up on the list in the welcome area. We also need help setting up the church and hall on **Sunday 1st May at 3pm & Monday at 9am**. If you have any contacts who would like to have a stall at the fayre, please speak to Yolanda. Thank you.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY. SAINTS ALIVE! By Roger Jones. ST GUTHLAC'S CHURCH, SUNDAY 8 MAY 5 PM. An opportunity to come along and just listen to our two choirs perform this work. In addition, if you are in touch with any of our singer-friends please let them know that they would be most welcome to join the choirs in the rehearsals and performance.

ST GUTHLAC'S & ST MARY'S YOUTH GROUP: HELPERS NEEDED.

It is proposed to set up a youth group for secondary aged young people which would meet on a Thursday evening 6.30 – 8.30. It is hoped to run the Group for a trial period from April – July. The group will meet approximately fortnightly. A core group of teenagers has already met and is prepared to plan and fund the group for themselves but need adult guidance and help to collect / source materials.

Mike Kelly the Diocesan Youth Officer will help to lead the group, but we need another adult present each evening. This does not need to be the same person each time. If you think you might be able to help, please let Tina Jarvis at St Guthlac's or Ros Matthew at St Mary's know.

OPEN HANDS have now received our Lent donations and were very grateful.

THANK YOU to everyone who provided raffle prizes for the recent Knighton Players production of Ali Baba. The raffle raised £270 for charity.

FOR THE NEWSLETTER Please contact us at the latest by **10pm Thursday** for material to be included in the next weekly newsletter. administrator@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk