

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



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Sunday 5 March 2017 Sunday before Lent
10.30am Morning Prayer

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.

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FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND MEETINGS

March

Tuesday 7 th	7.30pm	PCC meeting
Wednesday 8 th	7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 9 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Sami Lindsey, St John's
Thursday 9 th	6.45pm	Knighton Players rehearsal
Friday 10 th	1.30pm	Memory Café
Saturday 11 th	10am	FairTrade Coffee Morning & stall
Sunday 12 th	10.30am	Communion for All, Celebrant & Preacher Revd Liz Wilson St Denys
Sunday 12 th	2pm	Knighton Players rehearsal at the Parish Centre
Tuesday 14 th	7pm	Worship Committee meeting
Thursday 16 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Liz Wilson, St Denys
Sunday 19 th	10.30am	Matins, David Hunt
Thursday 23 rd	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Liz Wilson, St Denys
Sunday 26 th	10.30am	AAW Mothering Sunday: Mary's Story
Thursday 30 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Neil Bullen, St Mary's

April

Sunday 2 nd	10.30am	Passion Sunday – TBA
Thursday 6 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Liz Wilson, St Denys
Sunday 9 th	10.30am	Palm Sunday Communion, Celebrant & Preacher Canon Stephen Foster
Thursday 13 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Canon John Tonkin, St Christopher's
Thursday 13 th	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Quiet Taize service, Fiona Wingate
Friday 14 th	10.30am	Good Friday All Age Worship, Fiona Wingate
Sunday 16 th	10.30am	Easter Sunday Communion Service, Celebrant & Preacher Canon Stephen Foster

THANK YOU Very many thanks to all the clergy who are generously giving their time to officiate at our communion services whilst Richard is indisposed.

PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL We have been asked to keep **Revd Richard Bonney, Ann Beams, Liz Vickers, Darryl Varley, Ann Spring** and **Bill & Ann Ibbes** in our prayers. For other prayer requests, please speak to one of the churchwardens.

Revd Richard is now happily settled into St Luke's Hospital, Market Harborough, where he is being well looked after by an experienced and caring staff team. He sends you all his greetings and thanks everyone for their supportive messages and prayers.

DOROTHY MABEL WOLLASTON The family would like to thank all Mum's many friends and neighbours for the many cards and messages of support received; and to all who attended the service at St. Guthlac's to celebrate Mum's life. Thanks also to all who donated to LOROS and Macmillan Cancer Support. Thank you! Leonard, David & Judith

CHURCH HEATING As many of you might know, our heating system is very old, so old that I cannot remember when the current boiler was installed! The pipe system is also large diameter that is very inefficient. So the PCC agreed to replace the Boiler and the pipework and radiators. We have applied for a Faculty (the first Faculty since the Church was consecrated) and we now have a date when the work will start. This will mean that we will have two services in the Hall. **Work will start on Monday March 13th, Matins on March 19th will be in the Hall as will the All Age Worship for Mothering Sunday on March 26th.** The work should be complete for us to return to the Church for Passion Sunday on April 2nd. If you would like to make a donation towards the new heating system, please fill in a Blue Envelope and mark on it "Heating"; all donations will be gratefully received. If you have any questions, speak to Tina or myself. David Hunt – Churchwarden

SAFEGUARDING POLICIES The PCC have recently updated the church safeguarding policies for children & young people and for vulnerable adults. The policies apply to all church led events which take place either in church or in Holbrook Hall. Copies of both policies are displayed at the back of church together with a notice detailing relevant contact details.

GIVING SCHEME Regular giving can be made either weekly by envelope, periodic cheque or bank standing order. If you are a tax payer and gift aid your giving, our church can claim an extra 25%. Details of the scheme can be obtained from David Hunt, 0116 2716991 or e-mail: davidj.hunt@ntlworld.com

VOLUNTEER READERS AND CAR DRIVERS NEEDED Thank you to those who have already put their names forward as readers or to help with lifts. We would like to form a car pool to share the responsibility for providing lifts, so please sign the list in the welcome area if you are able to give occasional lifts. Many thanks PCC.

SEWING MACHINES Ros Matthew, Church Warden at St Mary's runs a dress making class at Booth Hall, St Martin's for the asylum seekers. If you have a sewing machine you no longer use and would like to donate it to them, they would be very thankful. If you have a machine please contact Ros

FAIRTRADE COFFEE MORNING 11th March 10-12: Helpers needed. As part of FairTrade Fortnight, 27th February – 12th March, we will be having a coffee morning on Saturday 11th March. There will be a stall of FairTrade items as well as a café area. We are looking for people to make cakes, made with FairTrade ingredients that can be eaten at the event – small cakes or slices of cake. We also need helpers to set up the café and stall between 8.30 –10.00 and then from 10.00 -12.00 to support the stall and cafe. If you can help please see Tina.

KNIGHTON PLAYERS will be performing Beauty & the Beast on **Friday 17th March 7.30pm and Saturday 18th March 2.30pm and & 7.30pm** in the Parish Centre. Tickets (adults £6, children £4) are available from Jane Wright, Ann Swanson (St. Guthlac's), Tanya Willis (St. Mary's), or knightonplayers@ntlworld.com.

KNIGHTON PLAYERS RAFFLE Could you provide a **raffle prize**? If so, please contact Jane Wright, Tanya Willis or Bernard Stone. Thank you

LORD TEACH US TO PRAY Lent School of Prayer with The Rt Revd Martyn Snow, Bishop of Leicester. Evening gatherings around the diocese for “beginners” in the language of prayer. Free of charge, no need to book, see notice at back of church for further information.

FOR THE NEWSLETTER Please send material to be included in the next newsletter by Thursday 10pm to administrator@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk