

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



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Sunday 21 May 2017 6th Sunday of Easter
10.30 am Matins

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

May

Wednesday 24 th	7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 25 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Neil Bullen
Thursday 25 th	7.30pm	Ascension Day service at St. Mary's
Sunday 28 th	10.30am	Communion for All, Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Neil Bullen
Tuesday 30 th	7.30pm	Prayer service: Thy Kingdom Come (see p4)
Wednesday 31 st	7.30pm	Choir practice

June

Thursday 1 st	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Neil Bullen
Saturday 3 rd	10:30am	Prayer service: Thy Kingdom Come (see p4)
Sunday 4 th	10.30am	AAW Pentecost
Wednesday 7 th	7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 8 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Neil Bullen
Sunday 11 th	10.30am	Trinity Sunday, Communion for All, Celebrant & Preacher: Canon Stephen Foster
Wednesday 14 th	7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 15 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Neil Bullen
Sunday 18 th	10.30am	Matins, Leader: David Hunt
Wednesday 21 st	7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 22 nd	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Neil Bullen
Sunday 25 th	10.30am	Communion for All
Wednesday 28 th	7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 29 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Richard Bonney

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

PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL We have been asked to keep **Revd Richard Bonney, Beth Murgatroyd, Joan Willder, Chris Ellis, Ann Beams, Liz Vickers, Darryl Varley, Ann Spring** and **Bill & Ann Ibbs** in our prayers. Please pray for the soul of **Rob Thomson** who has died recently and remember Winifred and her family in your prayers. For other prayer requests, please speak to one of the churchwardens.

Revd Richard sends you all his greetings and thanks everyone for their supportive messages and prayers.

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING FOR BISHOP CHRISTOPHER'S MINISTRY:

TODAY There will be a service of thanksgiving for Bishop Christopher's ministry in this Diocese on **Sunday 21 May at 3pm in Leicester Cathedral. The service is open to all and will be followed by light refreshments in the Cathedral.** On this occasion we will be making a presentation to Bishop Christopher as a token of appreciation from the people of the Diocese. If you would like to contribute towards this gift, please send a cheque, made payable to 'Leicester Diocesan Board of Finance' to: Jonathan Kerry, St Martins House, 7 Peacock Lane, Leicester LE1 5PZ. Please ensure that your cheque is clearly marked 'Bishop Christopher Gift' on the reverse.

THY KINGDOM COME Join in and change the world one prayer at a time. Between **25th May and 4th June**, communities and churches around the world are gathering together to pray that their friends, families, neighbours and people within their local communities come to know Jesus Christ. Here in the Benefice of Knighton we will be joining together in this life of prayer. Over the course of the 10 days we will be focussing our prayers and services on this theme. There is something planned for each day from Ascension to Pentecost. This will include our regular weekend and Sunday services, some additional events to allow people a chance to join in and finally an opportunity for each to respond in our own surroundings. We encourage all members of our church communities to join in as much as you are able whether it be coming to a service or focussing your private prayers on the Lord's Kingdom coming on earth. Prayer cards will be available in both churches to help and guide your days of private prayers.

The following services and events will take place across the Benefice:

Thursday 25th May	Ascension Day Service (Joint)	7:30 PM	St Mary's
Friday 26th May	Communion Service	11:00 AM	St Mary's
Saturday 27th May	Day of private prayer		
Sunday 28th May	Regular Service	10:00 AM	St Mary's
Sunday 28th May	Regular Service	10:30 AM	St Guthlac's
Monday 29th May	Day of private prayer		
Tuesday 30th May	Communion Service	9:30 AM	St Mary's
Tuesday 30th May	Prayer service	7:30 PM	St Guthlac's
Wednesday 31st May	Day of private prayer		
Thursday 1st June	Communion Service	9:30 AM	St Guthlac's
Thursday 1st June	Prayer Service	7:30 PM	St Mary's
Friday 2nd June	Communion Service	11:00 AM	St Mary's
Saturday 3rd June	Prayer service	10:30 AM	St Guthlac's

We encourage everyone to get involved and join in this life of prayer. If you would like more information please visit <https://www.thykingdomcome.global> and keep an eye on the newsletter.

CHRISTIAN AID If you have not receive an envelope through your door this week, there are envelopes available in church, which can be put on the collection plate today, or returned to Lesley Meakin by Thursday 25th May. Thank you

LONDON MARATHON 2017 A huge thank you to everyone who so generously sponsored Helen Christie in this year's London Marathon. The amazing amount raised for the Memory Cafes was **£1140** (before gift aid). Jane Christie

KNIGHTON PLAYERS have raised **£800** from their recent production of Beauty & the Beast. This has been given to Leicester Children's Holiday Centre (Mablethorpe), whose work provides disadvantaged children across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, with a free seaside holiday. This is the Lord Mayor of Leicester's charity for 2016/17. Many thanks to everyone who supported this event.

STAMP COLLECTION FOR LEPROSY MISSION A big thank you to everyone who brings their used stamps to help raise funds for the Leprosy Mission Please try to remember when saving stamps that we have been asked to cut stamps from the envelope with a margin of 1/4 inch. Lesley Meakin

AGM There are few copies of the minutes available at the back of church, and also some AGM brochures.

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