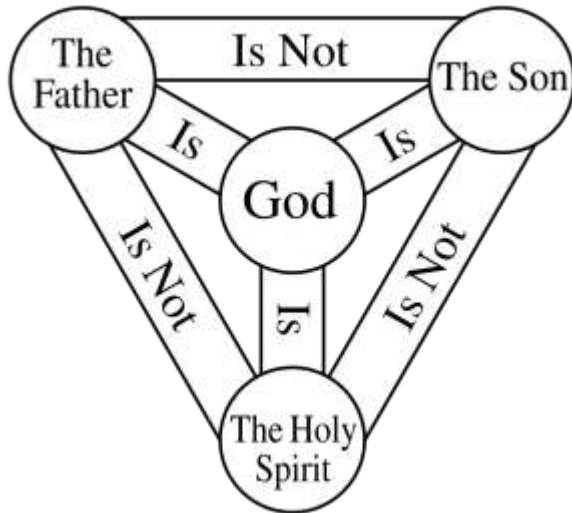


ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



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Knighton, Leicester LE2 3LF

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Minister in Charge: Revd Richard Bonney
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Churchwardens:
David Hunt
Tina Jarvis

Sunday 27 August 2017 Eleventh Sunday after Trinity
10.30 am Communion for All
President & Preacher: Canon Dr Stephen Foster



It is with great sadness that the Churchwardens have to announce the passing of our Minister Revd Prof Richard Bonney on 4th August 2017.

Donations in memory of Richard to:
The Richard Bonney Literary Fund 2017.
This fund will encourage and facilitate research, study and activity in the field that Richard was passionate about: multi-faith issues and religious tolerance. The aim of the fund is to enable access to academia for aspiring young scholars from around the world.

The donations may be sent to A.C. James & Son, Independent Funeral Directors, 9 Biddulph

Street, Leicester LE2 1BH Tel 2542900.

Please remember Richard, Margaret and family in your prayers at this time.

Margaret and all the family would like to thank everyone for their very kind and supportive letters, cards and messages sent recently and over the last months of Richard's illness. They have been a great strength to us all. Please continue to hold us in your prayers as we come to terms with life without the big personality which was Richard.

PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL We have been asked to keep **Amy, Dan and baby Ben, Beth Murgatroyd, Chris Ellis, Liz Vickers, Darryl Varley, Ann Spring, Alison Prior and Bill & Ann Ibbs** in our prayers. Please pray for the soul of **Victoria Victor** who has died recently. For other prayer requests, please speak to one of the churchwardens.

UPDATE ON BABY BEN

Some of you may have been wondering who Ben is since he appeared on the prayer list a few weeks ago. Ben is our unborn son who is due mid-November. He will be our first born and we found out at his 20 week scan that he has Spina Bifida. This is a condition affecting the spinal cord, which normally fully closes around 17-20 days after conception. Ben's spine remains unfused at the lower end of his spine, which may affect his ability to walk and to have normal bladder and bowel function. So far his MRI scans have remained stable and we won't know the full extent of his abilities until he is born. He will need an operation within 5 days of his birth at QMC, Nottingham.

My husband, Dan and I would like to thank you for praying for us all as we prepare for what lies ahead. It has been a great comfort to us all. Amy and Dan

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND MEETINGS

Thursday 31 st	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Neil Bullen
September		
Sunday 3 rd	10.30am	Matins, Leader: David Hunt
Wednesday 6 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 7 th	9.30am	Holy Communion
Friday 8 th	1.30pm	Memory Café
Sunday 10 th	10.30am	Communion for All
Tuesday 12 th	7.30pm	PCC Meeting
Wednesday 13 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 14 th	9.30am	Holy Communion
Thursday 14 th	7.00pm	Knighton Youth Group
Sunday 17 th	10.30am	All Age Worship & Baptism
Tuesday 19 th	7.00pm	Philomena Film Night
Wednesday 20 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 21 st	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 24 th	10.30am	Communion for All
Tuesday 26 th	7.00pm	Worship Committee Meeting
Wednesday 27 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 28 th	9.30am	Holy Communion
Thursday 28 th	7.00pm	Knighton Youth Group
Saturday 30 th	7.00pm	Harvest Supper

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

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 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.

MEMORY CAFES: KNIGHTON & HOLBROOK These informal cafes are for people, living at home, with dementia and their families/carers. The cafes provide an opportunity to meet up, share experiences and learn in a relaxed, socially supportive and friendly environment. Refreshments are provided. The cafes are supported by the Alzheimer's Society and run at St Guthlac's church and St Thomas More Community Rooms. If you know someone who would be helped by these cafes please let them know that the next session will be:

Friday 8th September 1.30pm at St Guthlac's will be a 'What if'...' session when Nita Devadhai will discuss what to do when problems arise. For further information please call Nita on 231 6926

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

RIDE AND STRIDE: 9th September, 10am to 6pm. The annual Ride and Stride event in aid of the historic churches trust will take place on Saturday 9th Sept. St Guthlac's will be open for the day and we would like people to volunteer to welcome Ride and Stride participants on the day. **If you are able to help please sign up for a slot on the rota (at the back of church).** As a welcomer you can be sponsored (it's not just for the riders and striders) and half of all funds raised go to a church of your choice. If you would like to participate lists of churches open on the day and sponsorship forms are available at the back of church. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Fiona Wingate

A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR MARY SARJEANT is being held on **Monday, 11th September**, at 12.30 p.m. in St. Mary's Church. Mary was a long serving member of Mothers Union, and achieved her 50 years' membership shortly after moving to be near her son, Peter, in Devon earlier this year. Peter extends an invitation to attend the service, which will be followed by a buffet.

MOTHERS UNION St. Anne's Branch have invited us to their Annual Eucharist Service on **Tuesday, 12th September**, in the Church at 2.00 p.m. Should any members wish to attend who require transport, please contact Anne or Lorna.

TEA & TALK: MONTHLY MEETINGS AT ST GUTHLAC'S CHURCH

Come and join us for our monthly social meetings where we can share a talk, film, book or music over tea, coffee and cake. Admission is free:

Tuesday 19th September 7.00pm Discussion on book Noughts and Crosses by Malorie Blackman - synopsis on noticeboard.

You can either borrow the book or buy a good quality second-hand copy for £3. Contact Tina if you want a copy.

Tuesday 10th October 7.00pm Philomena film (Cert 12, 98 mins)

Based on a true story, Philomena (Judi Dench) became pregnant as a teenager in Ireland in 1952. She was sent to the convent of Roscrea to be looked after as a "fallen woman". When her baby was only a toddler, he was taken away by the nuns for adoption in America. Philomena spent the next fifty years searching for him but with no success. Then she met Martin Sixsmith (Steve Coogan), a world-weary political journalist who happened to be intrigued by her story. Together they set off to America to try to find him.....

There will be the chance to discuss the film informally after the showing.

Tuesday 14th November 7.00pm Yolanda Courtney 'A zeppelin flew gaily over my house.' This talk will be a miscellany of memories and memorials in letters between Yolanda's great great grandfather and his cousin. Yolanda will talk about the home front during World War One and her visits to memorials at home and away in these hundredth anniversary years. Its a miscellany but of course many people had mixed experiences during World War One rather than being always in combat in a trench.