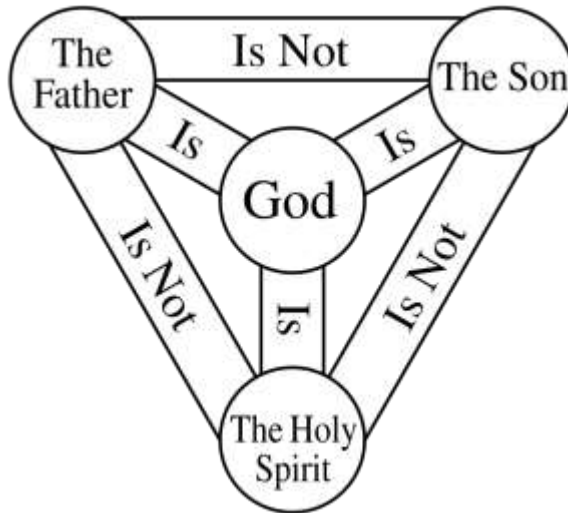


ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



Parish Church of St Guthlac
Knighton, Leicester LE2 3LF

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David Hunt
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Sunday 3 September 2017 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
10.30 am Matins



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.

Copies of Richard's obituary from The Guardian can be found at the back of church or visit: <https://www.theguardian.com/education/2017/aug/28/the-rev-richard-bonney-obituary>

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.

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.

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

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND MEETINGS

September

Wednesday 6 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 7 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd Adrian Jones
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, Celebrant: Revd Adrian Jones
Thursday 14 th	7.00pm	Knighton Youth Group
Sunday 17 th	10.30am	All Age Worship & Baptism
Tuesday 19 th	7.00pm	Discussion on book 'Noughts and Crosses'
Wednesday 20 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 21 st	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Neil Bullen
Sunday 24 th	10.30am	Communion for All, President & Preacher: Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Tuesday 26 th	7.00pm	Worship Committee Meeting
Wednesday 27 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 28 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Neil Bullen
Thursday 28 th	7.00pm	Knighton Youth Group
Saturday 30 th	7.00pm	Harvest Supper

October

Sunday 1 st	10.30am	Harvest All Age Worship
Sunday 1 st	5.00pm	Benefice Harvest Service at St. Mary's
Wednesday 4 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 5 th	9.30am	Holy Communion
Friday 6 th	1.30pm	Memory Café
Sunday 8 th	10.30am	Communion for All, Celebrant & Preacher: Canon John Tonkin
Tuesday 10 th	7.00pm	Film Night: Philomena

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

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

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

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. The next event is:

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.

HARVEST SUPPER and entertainment, **Sat 30th September 7pm** at St. Guthlac's. Tickets adults £6, under16's £3 available from Wendy Bramley from next Sunday.