

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



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Sunday 1 October 2017 Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity
10.30 am Harvest All Age Worship & gift service

PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL We have been asked to keep **Leigh Wingate, Amy, Dan and baby Ben, Beth Murgatroyd, Chanchal Barber, Chris Ellis, Liz Vickers, Ann Spring, Alison Prior** and **Bill & Ann Ibbs** in our prayers. Please pray for the soul of **Rita Allen** who has died recently. For other prayer requests, please speak to one of the churchwardens.
 Rita's funeral is on Friday 6th October, 11am at St. Mary's.

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.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND MEETINGS

October

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, Celebrant: Revd. Adrian Jones
Friday 6 th	8.00am	SLCP First Friday Prayers at St. Mary's
Sunday 8 th	10.30am	Communion for All, Celebrant & Preacher: Canon John Tonkin
Tuesday 10 th	7.00pm	Film Night: Philomena
Wednesday 11 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 12 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Adrian Jones
Thursday 12 th	7.00pm	Knighton Youth Group
Friday 13 th	1.30pm	Memory Café
Sunday 15 th	10.30am	Communion for All, President & Preacher: Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Monday 16 th	7.00pm	Memory Café steering group
Wednesday 18 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 19 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. John Tonkin
Sunday 22 nd	10.30am	Matins, Leader: David Hunt
Wednesday 25 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 26 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Adrian Jones
Thursday 26 th	7.00pm	Knighton Youth Group
Sunday 29 th	10.30am	Communion for All, President & Preacher: Canon Dr Stephen Foster

November

Wednesday 1 st	7.30pm	Reflective service for All Saints
Thursday 2 nd	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Adrian Jones
Thursday 2 nd	6.45pm	Knighton Players rehearsal
Sunday 5 th	10.30am	All Age Worship

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

Leadership at St Guthlac's

Every voice is important: Please help through your prayers & your views.

Over the next few months we need to be thinking about the abilities, skills and interests needed to support the worship and mission at St Guthlac's in the future. The PCC has agreed that David, Tina, Jane and Lesley (the Standing Committee of the PCC) should meet with Adrian to begin to develop a Parish Profile. The first step is to clarify the current work of St Guthlac's and what we hope to achieve in the future. The group's first meeting will be on 25th October.

As soon as we have a draft of the initial ideas, these will be shared with the congregation. We hope you will then let us have your thoughts either in person or you may wish to jot down your ideas and let us have them. We aim to have a clear idea of what we all hope St Guthlac's will do in the future by 21st January when Archdeacon Tim will come to take the communion service and talk over our views. Following this we will think about the sort of person needed by St Guthlac's to help us achieve our aims. We aim to do this in consultation with the congregation by Easter.

There will also be special opportunities to pray for guidance as part of three

Advent prayer meetings on

Friday 8th December 9.30am

Tuesday 12th December 6.30pm

Tuesday 19th December 6.30pm

Churchwardens

HARVEST DONATIONS TO OPEN HANDS If you have forgotten your harvest gift this week, and wish to donate then please bring it next week (October 8th). We are collecting the following items for distribution to needy people in Leicester: Breakfast cereal, long life milk, tinned meat or fish and cooking oil are in high demand. Other tinned or packet foods are also welcome, but fresh foodstuffs can't be managed. Thank you for supporting this excellent cause.

A DEFIBRILLATOR FOR SOUTH KNIGHTON You will have seen Automated External Defibrillators (AED) being installed in many locations over the past few years. These machines can provide vital early support for someone experiencing a heart attack. SKCE think Holbrook Hall would be a good location for an AED for the local community and users of the hall and church. Help us raise £1500 to purchase and install a defibrillator for the use of South Knighton residents and users of Holbrook Hall and St Guthlac's Church. You can donate here <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/defibrillatorforsouthknighton>

Or if you would prefer to make a cash donation please bring it to Helen at 43, South Knighton Road (please pop it in an envelope with your name & address and she will give you a receipt!)

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

COVER IMAGE.

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HARVEST SERVICE OF HYMNS, READINGS & PRAYERS TODAY, 1st October at 5pm at St. Mary's with the benefice choir & friends. Please spread the word and invite your friends and neighbours.

SOUTH LEICESTER CHRISTIAN PARTNERSHIP First Friday Prayers. This is an ecumenical group, to which St Guthlac belongs. The first Friday prayers are in different places of worship each month. Yes, I know it is an early start at 8 am (!), but only lasts for half an hour and is very worthwhile. **Friday 6 October 8-8.30 am is at St Mary's.** Please come. It is very friendly and all are welcome - and those with time on their hands (?!) can stay on and chat in the Narthex over a hot drink. Flick

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 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.

THE PROVOST DEREK HOLE LECTURE This year's lecture takes place on **Monday 20 November at 6 pm** in the Ken Edwards Building lecture theatre 1 at the University of Leicester. The speaker will be the Reverend Canon Dr Giles Fraser, Priest-in-Charge of St Mary, Newington, in South London. He is also a columnist for the Guardian and a panellist on Radio 4's THE MORAL MAZE.

The title of his Lecture will be: Theology and Refugees: some thoughts and reflections.

WANTED: SMALL JAM JARS If you have any empty smallish jam jars with lids please can you leave them at the back of church as soon as possible, for those who are going to make pickles and chutneys for the Christmas Fayre. Many thanks.