

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



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Sunday 22 July 2018 Eighth Sunday after Trinity
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 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

July

Monday 23 rd	2.30pm	WW1 working party
Thursday 26 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant Revd. Dave Hendra
Sunday 29 th	10.30am	Communion for All, President & Preacher: Revd Neil Bullen

August

Thursday 2 nd	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Neil Bullen
Sunday 5 th	10.30am	Morning Prayer, Leader: Fiona Wingate
Thursday 9 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Neil Bullen
Thursday 9 th	12.30pm	Holbrook Hall Lunch Club
Friday 10 th	1.30pm	Memory Café
Sunday 12 th	10.30am	Communion for All, President & Preacher: Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Thursday 16 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Adrian Jones
Sunday 19 th	10.30am	Matins, Leader: David Hunt
Thursday 23 rd	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Neil Bullen
Sunday 26 th	10.30am	Communion for All, President & Preacher: Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Thursday 30 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Dave Hendra

September

Sunday 2 nd	10.30am	All Age Worship
Tuesday 4 th	7.30pm	PCC meeting
Wednesday 5 th	7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 6 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Adrian Jones
Sunday 9 th	10.30am	Matins, Leader: David Hunt (Church Club next week)
Sunday 9 th	3.00pm	Wedding
Wednesday 12 th	7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 13 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Celebrant: Revd. Neil Bullen
Thursday 13 th	12.30pm	Holbrook Hall Lunch Club
Friday 14 th	1.30pm	Memory Café
Sunday 16 th	10.30am	Matins & Church Club

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

FOR YOUR PRAYERS Please remember all those whom we have been asked to keep in our prayers. For other prayer requests, please speak to a churchwarden.

Update on future leadership at St Guthlac's
Please help through your prayers

The initial closing date for applications was Monday 20th May. We did not receive any applications by this date. In consultation with Archdeacon Tim Stratford and Adrian, it was decided to extend the application period. The advert will be adjusted slightly to encourage potential applicants to 'express an interest' to Adrian with a view to finding out more and perhaps visiting St. Guthlac's. This had not been possible in the original short time given for applications. While the Archdeacon was very positive about the Parish Profile we had produced, we are making some very minor alterations.

Churchwardens

MALAWI UPDATE I happened to meet Bishop Christopher recently. He asked after St Guthlac's and sent his best wishes to all. He asked me to tell you that the clinic is going well. He recently had a gift from a church in Birmingham, Coleshill, and that with what he has received from St Guthlac's, St Andrew's (Prestwold) and another donation he is able to send the clinic out now twice every month and will be able to do this for some time to come which is good as it is now the dry season. Sadly he also mentioned that Canon Chifisi is not very well which is a very real concern. The bishop is monitoring it as best he can from a distance and tentatively exploring options should Canon Chifisi have to retire but chiefly he is waiting and seeing. Bishop Christopher asked if we would hold Canon Chifisi in our prayers and intercessions. Fiona.

WARNING Please be aware of the metal chair connectors on the sides of the chairs, particularly if you have to squeeze past the end of the rows. We will endeavour to keep a reasonable space down the side aisles and are also looking into the possibility of finding covers for the exposed connectors, but in the meantime please take care. Thank you PCC.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED THE SUMMER FAYRE.
We raised £295 for church funds and the raffle raised £67 for Malawi.

KNIGHTON PLAYERS are currently trying to source props & scenery for our next production.

If anyone has a double wardrobe that they wish to dispose of we would gladly take it off your hands, subject to suitability. Thank you.

Please contact Ann Swanson

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

MOTHERS UNION We celebrate our Festival Service at St. Mary's on **Tuesday, 24th July**, beginning at 2.30 p.m., followed by our usual Strawberry Tea in the Parish Centre. The theme this year is "In the Steps of Mary Sumner". Friends from other branches in the Deanery will be joining with our own members for what always proves to be a very enjoyable occasion. Anne

SLCP First Friday Prayers for August are at Clarendon Park Congregational Church on **Friday 3rd August at 8am**. Please join us if you are free.

MEMORY CAFÉ ST. GUTHLAC'S KNIGHTON

This informal cafe is for people, living at home, with dementia and memory loss with their families/carers. The cafe provides an opportunity to meet up, share experiences and learn in a socially supportive and friendly environment. Usually a variety of activities are provided as well as a short talk, with refreshments provided. The cafe is supported by the Alzheimer's Society.

The next sessions will include:

10th August Admiral Nurses – specialist nurses for dementia: Justine Tomlinson

If you know someone who would be helped by this café please let them know.
For further information please call Nita Devabhai on 0116 231 6926

SUMMER READ & BOOK SHARE

Join us in our summer read of ***The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry*** by Rachel Joyce. We have library copies to borrow and there are copies to buy at £2.50. See Tina or Lesley to get a copy.

There will be a chance to meet on **18th September at 7.00pm** to discuss it. This meeting will also enable people to introduce one of their favourite books that others might like to read in future.

SUSPENDED An installation artwork by Arabella Dorman is on display in **Leicester Cathedral from 20th June (World Refugee Day) to 28th August**. Composed of hundreds of items of clothing discarded by refugees upon their arrival on the island of Lesbos, a 'stilled explosion' will be created over the Cathedral nave, inviting the viewer to contemplate the violent fragmentation experienced by the inhabitants of the garments. Suspended will be the centrepiece of a unique summer of events, which it hopes will help people grasp the experience of real refugees and promote empathy for those individuals. For further information see www.leicestercathedral.org

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