

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



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Sunday 29 July 2018 Ninth Sunday after Trinity
10.30 am Communion for All
President & Preacher: Revd Neil Bullen

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.

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FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND MEETINGS

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
Thursday 6 th	7.00pm	Knighton Youth Group
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 READER TRAINING. The school holidays are here and this means that my first year of training has come to an end and I suddenly find myself with only one year left to go. Come the new term in September I will be the among the “seniors” on the course. How time has flown. It’s proved an interesting and challenging year in equal measure as it has introduced me to new ideas about subjects like creation care i.e. how does our faith inform our care of God’s creation, and has expanded and developed my understanding of the key doctrines of the church such as the trinity. During the course we have looked at questions of how do we as Christians make decisions - is it the will of the majority or is it by consensus until it is felt that “it is good for me, it is good for you and it is good by the Holy Spirit”. We have explored the ways of preaching and the pitfalls to avoid and have begun to gain an understanding of loss and how it might manifest itself in those we may serve in the future. One of the greatest pleasures has been studying along side people who come with their own and often very different stories. I think the most important lesson I have learnt this year is that we learn so much if we take time to get to know people and to be willing to hear and listen to what they have to offer. So for now I will enjoy a two month break free from assignments. But I do want to say thank you, to everyone at St Guthlac’s for your encouragement and support it has carried me through those times I wondered what on earth I was doing. I wish you all a restful summer. God bless. Fiona

WARNING Please be aware of the metal 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 trialling foam covers for the exposed connectors; all comments gratefully received. Thank you PCC.

RIDE AND STRIDE - 8th September. The annual Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust funding raising event takes place on the second Saturday in September. Last year the event raised £38,800 to support historic churches in the county and city. Cyclists, walkers, runners, joggers and mobility scooter drivers seek sponsorship for visiting a number of churches or chapels on the day. Recorders and welcomers at St Guthlac’s are also eligible for sponsorship for their hours on duty. The money raised by each participant is shared equally between the Christian Church nominated by the sponsored participant and the Trust. Around 400 Christian place of worship are usually open. Participants plan their own routes using the supplied list of church and chapels that have registered as opened. It’s a great way to explore the amazing medieval churches and try a bit of gargoyle spotting.

Once again **St Guthlac’s will be open from 10am to 6pm** and we’re looking for volunteers to welcome visitors. If you’re able to spare an hour on the day please do sign up on the rota at the back of church. If you’d like a sponsorship form, list of church or more information about the event and possible routes, please speak to me. It’s a great day for all ages. Fiona Wingate.

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

SUSPENDED An installation artwork by Arabella Dorman is on display in **Leicester Cathedral until 28th August**. 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

STONEYGATE BAPTIST CHURCH invite you to the Induction Service of their new minister, Rev Leigh Greenwood, on **Saturday 8th September at 3pm**, to be followed by refreshments.

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.

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

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED THE SUMMER FAYRE.

We raised £295 for church funds and the raffle raised £67 for Malawi.

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