

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



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Sunday 10 February 2019

4th Sunday before Lent

10.30 am Communion for All

**President & Preacher: The Right Reverend Christopher Boyle,
Honorary Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Leicester.**

WELCOME TO ANY OF YOU VISITING US FOR THE FIRST TIME!

Please introduce yourself to one of our welcomers and/or a Churchwarden and sign in the welcome book so that we can get to know you by name! 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.

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FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND MEETINGS

February

Tuesday 12 th	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Wednesday 13 th	6.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 14 th	9.30am	Holy Communion
Thursday 14 th	6.45pm	Knighton Players
Sunday 17 th	10.30am	Matins, Leader David Hunt
Tuesday 19 th	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Tuesday 19 th	7.00pm	Tea & Talk: Camino de Santiago (The Way of St James)
Wednesday 20 th	6.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 21 st	9.30am	Holy Communion
Thursday 21 st	6.45pm	Knighton Players
Sunday 24 th	10.30am	Communion for All, Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Tuesday 26 th	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Wednesday 27 th	6.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 28 th	9.30am	Holy Communion
Thursday 28 th	6.45pm	Knighton Players

March

Friday 1 st	2.00pm	World Day of Prayer service at St. James the Greater
Friday 1 st	6.30pm	World Day of Prayer service at St. Guthlac's
Sunday 3 rd	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.

CHANGE OF SERVICE PATTERN AT ST GUTHLAC'S

We will be making a change to the pattern of our services at St Guthlac's after Easter. We are aiming to provide better provision across the whole Benefice so that everyone can go to a type of service that suits them every Sunday. For example, there will be a Communion Service every Sunday at either St Guthlac's or St Mary's. In addition, there will be a service or activities suitable for young people each Sunday in at least one of the two churches. There will also be sung formal matins and informal morning services most months in the Benefice. We hope you find the change helpful.

After Easter the pattern of services at St Guthlac's will be

1 st Sunday in month	Communion
2 nd Sunday in month	All Age Worship
3 rd Sunday in month	Communion
4 th Sunday in month	Matins or Morning prayer
5 th Sunday in month	Family Friendly Communion

Church Wardens: Tina Jarvis & David Hunt

FOR YOUR PRAYERS Please remember those whom we have been asked to keep in our prayers. Please remember those who have died recently and pray for their families and friends. For other prayer requests, please speak to a churchwarden.

YOUR NEXT STEP FOLLOWING THE WAY OF JESUS? Growing in our Christian faith is a natural and necessary thing for all of us, and this might be the time for you to take the next step by being baptised or confirmed. Baptism is a sign of beginning on the Christian journey, while confirmation marks the point where those who have been baptised as children now make a firm commitment to Christian discipleship for themselves. Usually 'candidates' for baptism and/or confirmation are prepared together for this important step by discussing the Christian faith and the life of discipleship with Adrian or another experienced Christian. If you think this might be the right time for you to be baptised or confirmed, then please do talk to Adrian, as we are currently arranging dates for a confirmation preparation course in the run up to Easter.

LENT REFLECTION SERVICES: BEST TIMES FOR YOU

What works for you? We are planning a series of weekday Lent reflection services. We want as many people as possible to come, so would like to know which day and what time of day would suit you. We will then try to arrange the services so that as many people as possible can attend.

Please could you complete the form in the welcome area? If there are specific times that particularly suit you, please note these as well. Many thanks.

LEICESTER CITY OF SANCTUARY would like to thank St. Guthlac's for the very kind donation of £45 for supporting vulnerable asylum seekers and refugees in and around Leicester.

With more than 1,000 asylum seekers in the city, typically living on £37 a week or less, we will certainly put the donation to good use.

Shali Bullough, Coordinator, Leicester City of Sanctuary

KNIGHTON PLAYERS will be performing Snow White and the Seven Dwarves on **Friday 22nd March 7.30pm and Saturday 23rd March 2.30pm and 7.30pm** in the Parish Centre. Tickets (adults £7, children £5) are available from Jane Wright, David Hunt (St. Guthlac's), Tanya Willis (St. Mary's), or knightonplayers@ntlworld.com.

KNIGHTON PLAYERS RAFFLE Could you provide a **raffle prize**? If so, please contact Jane Wright, Tanya Willis or Bernard Stone. Thank you

DIARY NOTE The annual parochial church meeting will take place in church at **12 noon on Sunday April 14th 2019**.

TODAY: BRING & SHARE LUNCH Please stay after the service today and join us for lunch. This will be a wonderful opportunity to hear more about the work we support in Malawi, as well as to socialise.

TEA & TALK: Camino de Santiago (The Way of St James)

You are invited to join us on **Tuesday 19th February, 7pm**

The Camino do Santiago (The Way of St James) is a historic pilgrimage route of 480 miles from southern France to Santiago de Compostela in northwest Spain mainly through rural communities and mountain regions. A pilgrimage offers an opportunity to slow down and allow time for peace and reflection. Come with us from your seat as four friends (Margaret, Karen, Mary and Simon) recount their journey through a selection of photographs, sounds and experiences.

Free talk and refreshments with the chance to socialise!

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: St Guthlac's Friday 1st March 7.30

Everyone, men, women and children are welcome to join this Day of Prayer service at St Guthlac's. World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church organisation, which enables us to hear the thoughts of women from all parts of the world. Women of Slovenia, one of the smallest and youngest countries in Europe have prepared this years' service. They encourage us to reflect on barriers they have faced since the end of WWII when their country was part of Yugoslavia, a Marxist social republic. They share the challenges they have met and hopes for the future.

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. Refreshments are provided. The cafe is supported by the Alzheimer's Society. The next sessions take place on:

8th March, 12th April, 10 May, 14th June.

For further information please call Nita Devabhai on 0116 231 6926

WANTED Does anyone know of a good plasterer who we could approach to get a quote to repair the plaster in church? If so please inform a member of the PCC. Thank you.

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