

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



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Sunday 17 March 2019

Second Sunday of Lent

10.30 am Matins

Leader: David Hunt

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.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND MEETINGS

March

Sunday 17 th	2.00pm	Knighton Players dress rehearsal, Parish Centre
Tuesday 19 th	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Wednesday 20 th	6.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 21 st	9.30am	Holy Communion
Thursday 21 st	7.00pm	Knighton Players rehearsal at the Parish Centre
Friday 22 nd	9.30am	Lent Reflections
Friday 22 nd	3.30pm	All Age Messy Church Stoneygate Baptist Church
Friday 22 nd	7.30pm	Knighton Players performance
Saturday 23 rd	2.30pm	Knighton Players performance
Saturday 23 rd	7.30pm	Knighton Players performance
Sunday 24 th	10.30am	Communion for All, Rev 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
Friday 29 th	9.30am	Lent Reflections
Sunday 31 st	10.30am	Family Friendly Communion for Mothering Sunday, Rev Aphro McCullough

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 all 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.

ELECTORAL ROLL

2019 is the year in which the Electoral Roll must be renewed rather than revised. This must be done in time for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. Notice of the renewal of the roll has now been given and the preparation of the new roll is now in progress. Those wishing to be entered on the new roll must complete an Electoral Roll Application Form (available at the back of church). **Please return your forms by 17th March. Thank you** Jane Wright, Electoral Roll Officer

CANON CHIFISI IN MALAWI

When Bishop Christopher visited St Guthlac's on 10th February and talked about the clinic in Malawi, he also commented about Canon Chifisi's housing problems. Canon Chifisi is due to retire after many years of dedicated work for the clinic. However he has problems financing a home for his retirement. At the last meeting of the PCC on 5th March, it was decided to make a collection towards a personal donation to Canon Chifisi in acknowledgement of all his work.

If you would like to make a donation either for the work of the clinic or for Canon Chifisi please put it in an envelope clearly marked to show whether it is for the clinic or Canon Chifisi and give it to one of the Church Wardens or a sidesman.

KNIGHTON REMEMBERS WW1

It seems a long time ago now, but last November we had a very successful weekend of activities in the parish remembering the First World War and the contribution made to it by people from Knighton. We have been doing our sums, or rather our Treasurer David Hunt has, now that we have a clearer picture of our balance sheet in terms of the activities which centred on St Guthlac's church and the Memorial Hall. Thanks to the generosity of the many people who attended the events and the sales of our book, we have been able to send the Royal British Legion a donation of **£500**. The WW1 Working Party is grateful to all the support received before and during this busy weekend which marked the end of 4 years of remembrance.

And what next?

Members of our WW1 Working Party were keen to continue researching the early years of St Guthlac's church and the growth of Knighton, with the aim of producing another book provisionally entitled **Knighton between the Wars, 1919 to 1939**. We've also some unfinished business researching some of the memorial graves in St Mary's churchyard and Deb Martin will be continuing to develop her excellent churchyard historic trail. If you would like to be involved in this new project, please contact Margaret Bonney or any member of what is now the KBTW Working Party (**K**nighton **B**etween **T**he **W**ars). In particular, we would like to record the memories of those living in Knighton during this period, or the stories passed down through families about this time.

Margaret Bonney

TEA AND TALK: Free Film Night at St Guthlac's: Please join us at **7pm on Tues 19th March** for a showing of the film 'Marvellous' starring Toby Jones. The film is based on the true story of Neil Baldwin, who despite a degree of learning difficulty goes on to have a marvellous, fulfilling life including time as a circus clown, unofficial greeter at Keele University, and mascot of his beloved football team Stoke City. With free refreshments and the chance to socialise.

LENT REFLECTIONS: **9:30 am Friday 22nd, 29th March, 5th, 12th April.** The season of Lent gives us a time to reflect and prepare ourselves before the celebration of Easter. It allows us time, once again to consider what that means for each of us in our lives. Lent reflections provide a space and time for reflection and prayer; using part of Luke chapter 10 as the basis for our reflection. It should last no longer than 30 minutes. Fiona

MESSY CHURCH the next few sessions are as follows:

Fri 22nd March, & 10th May 3.30-5.45pm, All Age Messy Church (craft, stories, songs, meal). **Fri 28th June 3.30-5pm** New Messy Play (activities & refreshments) all at Stoneygate Baptist Church. See poster at back of church for more details.

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

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 will include:

12th April Jo and Ali from the Clinical Commissioning Group

Further sessions on 10th May, 14th June.

For further information please call Nita Devabhai on 0116 231 6926

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

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