

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



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Sunday 14 April 2019

Palm Sunday

10.30 am Communion for All

President & preacher: Rev Canon Dr Stephen Foster

12 noon Annual Parochial Church Meeting

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

April

Sunday 14th	12 noon	APCM
Monday 17 th	7.00pm	Choir practice
Tuesday 16 th	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Tuesday 16 th	7.00pm	Tea & Talk: Cross of Christ
Thursday 18 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Rev Adrian Jones
Thursday 18 th	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Communion, Rev Adrian Jones
Friday 19 th	10.30am	Good Friday All Age Worship, Fiona Wingate
Sunday 21 st	10.30am	Easter Sunday Communion, Canon Dr S Foster
Tuesday 23 rd		No service
Thursday 25 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Rev Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Sunday 28 th	10.30am	Matins (No Church Club)

May

Wednesday 1 st	7.30pm	Choir practice
Friday 3 rd	8.00am	First Friday Prayers at Stoneygate Baptist Church
Sunday 5 th	10.30am	Communion for All
Tuesday 7 th	7.30pm	PCC meeting
Wednesday 8 th	7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 9 th	7.00pm	Knighton Youth Group
Friday 10 th	1.30pm	Memory café
Friday 10 th	3.30pm	All Age Messy Church at Stoneygate Baptist
Sunday 12 th	10.30am	All Age Worship
Sunday 12 th	6.30pm	Christian Aid United Service at Stoneygate Baptist

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	All Age 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 family and friends. For other prayer requests, please speak to a churchwarden.

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 Cannon 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.

NEW CURATE ANNOUNCED! I am very pleased to say that the benefice has been chosen as a training context for a curate, beginning this July. Matthew will be ordained in the Cathedral on Sunday 30th June, but hopefully everyone will be able to meet him and his family at some point before then. In the meantime I'll let him introduce himself: *"Hello everyone – my name is Matthew Gough. I am married to school teacher, Clare and we have 3 girls, Lydia 15, Constance 13 and Eleanor 11 plus our Yorkshire Terrier Lola. I am currently training at Queens College Birmingham with my current link church being All Saints, Wigston. I have lived in Leicester for the last 20 years and grew up in the Market Bosworth area. I have left a career as a social work university lecturer to become a full time ordained minister. I am delighted to be soon starting a curacy in the Knighton Benefice with Adrian as my training incumbent. I hope to live in the parish so that we can be fully at the heart of church family life as a family."*
Adrian

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.

CONTACT DETAILS Cards for new people to leave their contact details have been produced and are available in the Welcome Area. Please could members of the congregation give cards to visitors. If you are new to the church please fill in a card so we can make sure you are informed about the activities at the church.

APRIL TEA AND TALK Tues 16th April 7pm You are invited to join us for.....'Approaching Easter': A programme of beautiful seasonal choral music, readings and poetry, with singers from St Guthlac's and St Mary's churches and friends. Free refreshments with the chance to socialise. All Welcome!

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 are on **10th May, 14th June.**

For further information please call Nita Devabhai on 0116 231 6926

SPRING BAZAAR We will be holding a bazaar in church on **Saturday 18th May 10am-1pm**. There will be games for youngsters and the young at heart, plant and cake stalls, a children's tombola and refreshments. Please save the date! If you are able to help in any way please speak to Tina, Lesley, Jane or Ann. Thank you.

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 filling with marmalade for the bazaar. Many thanks. Anne

MUSICIANS WANTED Stoneygate Baptist Church will be hosting the Christian Aid Service on **May 12th**, and we are hoping to assemble an ecumenical band for the evening. If there are any musicians in your church who might like to join, please do ask them to get in touch. My email address is leigh@stoneygatebaptist.org.uk

KNIGHTON PLAYERS RAFFLE raised **£311.30p** which will be added to our total surplus and then split between our charities which this year are the LRI 'Little Lives, Big Journeys' and 'Leicester Childrens Holidays'. Very many thanks to those who donated prizes or bought tickets.

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