# ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS





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Sunday 12 May 2019 Fourth Sunday of Easter

10.30 am All Age Worship

# 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

May		
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	6.30pm	Christian Aid United Service at Stoneygate Baptist
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Spring Bazaar
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	7.00pm	Tea & Talk: A taste of the Hindu faith
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<sup>1</sup> 7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7.00pm	Knighton Youth Group
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Matins
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster
June		
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Choir practice
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Adrian Jones
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Knighton Youth Group
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	All Age Worship
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Knighton Interwar working party
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Worship Committee meeting

#### CHANGE OF SERVICE PATTERN AT ST GUTHLAC'S

We have made a change to the pattern of our services at St Guthlac's. 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. The pattern of services at St Guthlac's is:

1 <sup>sτ</sup> Sunday in month	Holy Communion
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in month	All Age Worship
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in month	Holy Communion
4th Sunday in month	Matine or Marning pr

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in month Matins or Morning prayer 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in month All Age 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 family and friends. For other prayer requests, please speak to a churchwarden.

**WELCOME!** It's my pleasure to extend a formal welcome to the Rev'd Aphro McCullough, who is presiding at St Guthlac's this morning, and who is joining the Ministry Team for the benefice. Aphro and her husband Dale have been worshipping at St Mary's and St Guthlac's since Christmas and have really appreciated the warm, loving welcome that they've received. Aphro will be ministering alongside Adrian, Stephen Foster and Fiona Burchall (Reader-intraining) and so will become a familiar face in both our churches. She brings a wealth of experience in the health service as well as in ordained ministry. *Adrian Jones* 

#### **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.

**KNIGHTON PLAYERS** We are delighted to announce that we raised £1000 from our recent production of Snow White & the Seven Dwarves; this has been divided equally between Leicester Children's Holidays and the Leicester Hospitals 'Little Lives Big Journeys' appeal. Many thanks to everyone involved.

**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.

**WANTED: FLOWERPOTS** I have almost used up my spare pots preparing for the Spring Bazaar and need to re-stock ready for future plant sales. Pots of any size would be very welcome. Please bring to church, or let me know if you would like me to collect them. Thank you. Lesley

# TONIGHT, Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm: Christian Aid United Service at Stoneygate Baptist Church. All Welcome

There will be an ecumenical band for this service, rehearsing from 5pm. If there are any musicians who would like to take part, please contact Leigh: leigh@stoneygatebaptist.org.uk

**SPRING BAZAAR** We will be holding a bazaar in church on **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> 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. **Donations of cakes, preserves and plants will be gratefully received.** Non-perishables can be left at the back of church, perishables can be brought to church on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> from 9am or on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> between 3.30pm and 4.30pm. Thank you.

**LEICESTER CITY OF SANCTUARY FUNDRAISING:** Margaret Bonney, one of Leicester City of Sanctuary's Trustees and volunteers, will be walking the Borders Abbeys Way in lowland Scotland this May – about 67 miles. She would be delighted if you would sponsor her to help raise money for the vital work of this local charity. Sponsorship form available in the Welcome Area at church, or speak to Margaret.

MAY TEA AND TALK: A TASTE OF THE HINDU FAITH Tuesday 21 May 7pm Find out more about what it means to be a Hindu in today's world. Meet local couple Nima & Pradip who will talk informally about their faith and how it influences their lives. Free refreshments, including Indian snacks (all vegetarian) and chai tea! All welcome. With thanks to St Philip's Centre for organising this.

**MOTHERS UNION** - at our May meeting we welcome Ian Retson from the Woodland Trust, who we are sure will give a most interesting and informative talk. Friends and visitors are welcome, and we meet in the Parish Centre Lounge at 2.15 p.m. on **Tuesday, 28th May**.

### 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 is on 14th June.

For further information please call Nita Devabhai

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