

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



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Sunday 17 November 2019

Second Sunday before Advent

10.30 am Holy Communion
President & Preacher : Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster

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

November

Tuesday 19 th	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Tuesday 19 th	7.30pm	Tea & Talk: Film, The Untouchables
Wednesday 20 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 21 st	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Thursday 21 st	6.45pm	Knighton Players rehearsal
Sunday 24 th	10.30am	Matins & Church Club
Monday 25 th	10.30am	Knighton between the wars meeting
Tuesday 26 th	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Wednesday 27 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 28 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Thursday 28 th	6.45pm	Knighton Players rehearsal

December

Sunday 1 st	10.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Tuesday 3 rd	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Tuesday 3 rd	7.30pm	Choir practice
Wednesday 4 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 5 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Thursday 5 th	6.45pm	Knighton Players rehearsal
Friday 6 th	8.00am	First Friday Prayers at Christchurch
Friday 6 th	10.15am	Community Café
Friday 6 th	11.30am	Fayre set up
Saturday 7 th	10.00am	Christmas Fayre
Sunday 8 th	10.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Aphro McCullough
Monday 10 th	6.30pm	Carols at the Corners
Tuesday 10 th	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's
Tuesday 10 th	6.30pm	Carols at the Corners
Wednesday 11 th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Thursday 12 th	9.30am	Holy Communion, Revd Adrian Jones
Friday 13 th	1.30pm	Memory Café

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

The Church of England has published a special prayer for the election, which the diocese would like us to use in all our services:

A PRAYER FOR THE 2019 GENERAL ELECTION

God of grace and truth, send your Spirit to guide us as we discover your will for our country. Help us to discuss the issue before us with courtesy, truth and mutual respect, and grant that all who stand for parliament will seek to serve the common good, through him who came not to be served but to serve, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

NATIVITY GIFT SERVICE SUNDAY 15TH DEC: FOOD COLLECTION FOR OPEN HANDS The Nativity Gift service on **15th Dec** will be the focus for donating food to Open Hands, but you are welcome to bring donations along before then. As usual, staples of cereals, long life milk, tea, coffee, cooking oil and tinned meat/fish are particularly needed, but if you would prefer to bring something else, please do so (but no perishables please). Thank you.

HELP NEEDED We have several roads within the parish which do not have anyone to deliver our Christmas leaflet. It would cost £80 per 1000 leaflets for commercial delivery. Instead of incurring this cost we are asking for volunteers to make the deliveries so that the money saved can be donated to Malawi. If you feel able to take on a road please speak to Lesley. Many thanks PCC.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE CHOIR FOR THE SERVICES OF LESSONS & CAROLS AT ST. MARY'S AND /OR ST. GUTHLAC'S?

Rehearsals will begin on **Wednesday 20th November 8pm at St. Guthlac's** Further rehearsals on **Wed. 27th Nov, Tuesday 3rd, Wed. 4th and Wed. 11th, Dec.** and will be taken by Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster. Everyone is welcome to join us to sing at either one or both of the services which will take place as follows:

St. Mary Magdalen Sunday 15th December 6.30pm

St. Guthlac's Wednesday 18th December 7.30pm

If you would like to sing please can you email administrator@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk or phone Jane Wright ASAP so we can ensure we have enough music ready for everyone.

KNIGHTON FORUM CRIME PREVENTION MEETING - 28TH NOVEMBER 7.30pm ST MARY'S There has been quite an increase in crime in the Knighton area and, as you are probably aware, St Mary's has been broken into as well as the Parish Centre in recent weeks. Therefore, Adrian & the St. Mary's PCC have agreed that St Mary's can be used as a venue to hold a Knighton Neighbourhood Forum Public Meeting. The speaker will be Lord Willy Bach, the Police & Crime Commissioner, and it will be an opportunity for the residents of Knighton to meet with him, as well as other police representatives, to find out what is being done about tackling the criminal activity and what we can do to protect ourselves and our property, cars etc. All welcome, tea and coffee from 7.15pm.

CONCERT IN AID OF ST MARY'S SPIRE APPEAL Friday 13th Dec 7.30pm

International classical crossover star, Faith Tucker, famous for her successful appearance in Britain's Got Talent, gives a special concert in support of InSpired - the campaign to save the spire of St Mary Magdalen church, Knighton. Tickets £10. Accompanied children £5. From Tickets are available from Aileen Orme, Judi & Bernard Stone, Lorna & Michael Kirk, Andrew & Carolyn Oldershaw. Refreshments included in price. All ticket sales go to the spire appeal fund.

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

TEA & TALK: Tuesday 19th November 7.00pm Untouchable (Cert 15, 107 mins, in French with English subtitles) Come and join us to watch this award-winning comedy drama with great reviews: “joyous”, “irresistible”. It charts an unusual friendship based on a true story. Driss (Omar Sy), a Senegalese man living in a Paris slum, applies for a job as carer to a wealthy quadriplegic, only so he can get his paper stamped and get benefits. Despite his lack of qualifications, he lands the job because of his attitude: Philippe (François Cluzet), the quadriplegic, wants a carer who will look at him without pity. As Driss reluctantly learns to move, feed, and clean Philippe, the two men discover a blunt but vital humour that not only bridges the cultural and class divide between them, but gives Philippe a renewed joy in life. As usual there are free refreshments.

MOTHERS UNION - at our November meeting we look forward to a presentation by Elizabeth Bacon on The Welcome Project. We meet in the Parish Centre Lounge on **Tuesday, 26th November**, starting at 2.15 p.m., where friends and visitors are also welcome.

COMMUNITY COFFEE AND CHAT First Friday of the month 10.30am-11.45pm in the welcome area of St Guthlac's Church. The next session is on **6th Dec.** You are invited to join members of the Friday morning JuVup exercise class (held in Holbrook Hall for all ages and abilities) and other local people for refreshments and a friendly chat. Hosted by St Guthlac's Church. Everyone welcome. Enquiries to Lesley Meakin

CHRISTMAS FAYRE Sat. 7th December 10-1pm. We are starting to collect items for the fayre. If you have any unwanted, unopened gifts and bottles for the tombola, homemade preserves and pickles or handicrafts please can you leave them at the back of church. **PLEASE SIGN THE LIST IN THE WELCOME AREA if you are able to provide items for the raffle hamper and/or if you are able to help in any way on 6th or 7th December.** Thank you.

CAROLS AT THE CORNERS Members of St. Guthlac's and friends will be carol singing in South Knighton on **Tuesday 10th December.** We will meet at Londis (Flynn's) on Knighton Church Road at **6.30pm** to begin singing and will continue along Knighton Church Road as far as Whitters. We will finish with mulled wine or fruit punch in St. Guthlac's at about 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome to join us.

MEMORY CAFÉ ST. GUTHLAC'S KNIGHTON The next meeting is on **13th December 1.30pm.** 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.