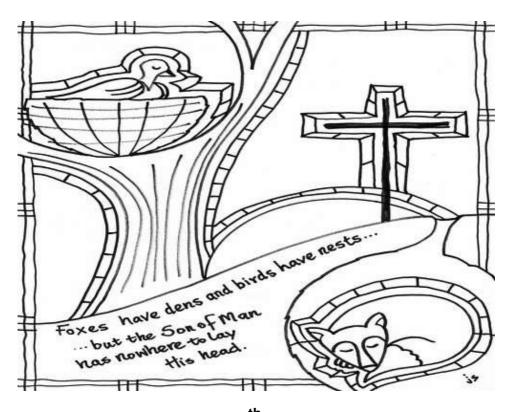
ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS





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This Sunday Fiona Wingate will be leading a service of Morning Prayer. Church Club will be taking place in Holbrook Hall.

The Collect & Readings for the Second Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Reading: 2 Kings 2.1-2, 6-14

Psalm 77.1-2, 11-20

Second Reading: Galatians 5.1, 13-25

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Gospel reading: Luke 9.51-62

⁵¹When the days drew near for him be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' ⁵⁹To another Jesus said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' ⁶¹Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' ⁶²Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

PRAYERS

'When you pray go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father who is unseen'.

Father, we pray this season as the Archbishop has invited us to pray, for the Church to be 'simpler, humbler, bolder'...please forgive us when we have been arrogant and more focused on power, control or selfish pursuit, where good news has been absent. Help us to see the need of the community, our neighbours, our families, especially at a time of economic hardship. For those who have spare, may we be willing to share as you have commanded.

We pray for those working with all those suffering from the conflicts in Ukraine. We pray for peace to hasten. We pray that those needing shelter may find welcome and your host in those they meet. We pray for protection from the storm of war. Help us in our compassion to care for those in need coming into our city. We pray too for those in Southern hemisphere facing poverty, starvation and conflict driven by climate catastrophe and grasping for resources. We pray for courageous integrity amongst those in political and corporate power, for restraint to be exercised and a wholehearted care for those with least who need help most.

Strengthen us in our faith, may our devotion become more loving and may we risk more for your kingdom to come where we are.

Weekly prayer for roads in the parish - Knighton Drive.

Those facing personal pain we name before our Lord.

And those who have finished their days on this earth; we thank you for their lives and pray for their families and loved ones to be comforted.

For further prayer requests which can be included in the weekly prayer list or anonymized and prayed for in private, please contact Matthew revgough@gmail.com or Jane administrator@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk

St. Guthlac's Services

Sunday at 10.30am

3rd July Eucharist Revd Janet Gasper

10th July All Age Worship Janet Edwards

17th July Eucharist Revd Matthew Gough 24th July Morning Prayer Revd Janet Gasper

& Cecilia Adjadje

Every Thursday at 9.30am Holy Communion

New recurring access link and codes for Online Compline

Online Compline every Wednesday 8.00 pm, all welcome. From **Wednesday 18th May** onwards, please use the following:

Topic: Compline

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81118183080

Meeting ID: 811 1818 3080

Dial by your location

0203 481 5240 United Kingdom

Meeting ID: 811 1818 3080

Choir Practice Our next rehearsal is on Wednesday 29th June 7.30pm-8.30pm in church.

A Prayer for Ukraine

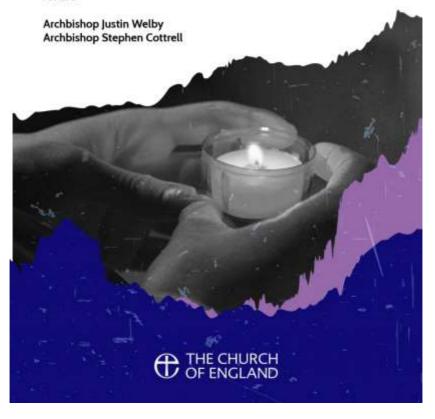
God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace,

for wisdom, discernment and compassion

to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.



Caring for each other at church during infectious times

As you'll know we are no longer subject to Government legal regulations and restrictions relating to Corona virus. Our Worship Committee met, on behalf of the PCC, to discuss what precautions we should discontinue or keep at St Guthlac's. We were agreed firstly, that when we come to church we should continue to have the highest regard for the safety and wellbeing of other people as well as our own comfort.

For the moment we do *not* feel it is the right time to resume offering the wine to the congregation as part of our Communion services. The priest officiating at Communion will continue to sanitise their hands and wear a mask.

Other matters are very much down to each person's own conscience, but can we please ask you, when you come to church:

- to consider continuing to wear your face covering;
- to consider sanitising your hands on the way into church;
- to avoid crowding together when finding a seat and after church to give people a little more space than usual;
- not to come to church if you have any symptoms of covid-19 or a positive lateral flow test in the last 24 hours;
- to be understanding of those people whose response to the hazards of the virus is different to your own.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation with these precautions and changes – this way we can remain both safe and welcoming! *Adrian & Churchwardens*



Thank you!



Thank you to everyone who kindly donated to the MU Project for refuge items for victims of domestic abuse.

Many thanks, Clare Gough

Blessing your donations & the Collection Plate

Now many people do planned-giving through their direct debit, it seems inappropriate to hand the collection plate round during a service. The collection plate now will be at the back of the church.

Please leave your donation as you come into the service. A steward or member of the congregation will take up the plate to the altar for all donations to be blessed during the 3rd / offertory hymn or at a suitable point in non-Eucharist services.

PLANNED GIVING SCHEME Regular giving is an integral part of our church life supporting our day to day costs, ministry and mission. A good way to achieve this is through a weekly envelope or a monthly bank standing order as part of our Planned Giving Scheme. Scheme details can be obtained from David Hunt, Planned Giving Scheme Secretary:

churchwardens@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk.

If you are a taxpayer and gift aid your giving, our church can claim an additional 25%.

Christian Aid Week

Thanks to everyone who supported Christian Aid Week in any way. The 'drop off only' street collection raised £279.80 and a further £485 was donated in church or through the e-envelope, giving a total of £764.80. If you haven't yet had the chance to donate, the e-envelope will remain available for a few more weeks. **Lesley Meakin, Christian Aid Week organiser**

https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/st-guthlac-knighton

Newsletters on Line

Both St Guthlac's and St Mary's current and backdated newsletters are available online.

St Guthlac's http://www.stguthlac-knighton.co.uk

St Mary's https://www.stmarysknighton.co.uk

NEW Evensong Starting Sunday 3rd July 5.30pm at St. Mary's

Come along for our monthly BCP Evensong

First Sunday of the month

Participate in the prayer book's traditional liturgy with choral accompaniment

First Sunday of each month 5.30pm starting July 3rd

Children & Families Pioneer Worker

St Mary's is developing possible plans to appoint a Pioneer Children and Family Worker which could include St Guthlac's. St Guthlac's PCC will be reviewing this possibility.

You are welcome to hear more of the plans so far on **Sunday 3rd July at St Mary's 6.30pm (after Evensong)** where you can ask questions and meet a City based Pioneer Family Worker, Jan Bryars to learn how a post can work in practice and may benefit Knighton. If you cannot make it but would like to know more, contact Matthew.

BENEFICE MAGAZINE

The magazine was remembered recently in the intercessions at St Mary's. This was in a complimentary way, but its continued success does depend on the support it receives from the members of our two churches. The next issue is due out in July, so please let me have your **contributions by 1 July if possible**. If you have something in mind but need a little longer, please let me know about it.

Any subjects of interest to our readership are welcome: reports and pictures of events, notice of forthcoming events, thoughts on faith matters, local history, reminiscences - all are appreciated. And remember our occasional themes - My Favourite Hymn and Travellers' Tales.

Please contact me at stmaryknighton.magazine@gmail.com (despite the address, this is for St Guthlac's too).

Thank you. Nigel Siesage

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FOR THE NEWSLETTER Please send material to be included in the next newsletter by noon next Thursday to <u>administrator@stguthlacknighton.co.uk</u>

Don't forget to visit the St. Guthlac's Facebook page and website https://www.stguthlac-knighton.co.uk



SINGING FOR UHRAINE



The Jubilee Singers

invite you to a summer concert at St Guthlac's Church, Holbrook Road LE2 3LF Light refreshments

A free event, but please give generously to the Ukraine appeal

We look forward to meeting you on Sunday 26 June from 3 to 4pm

Presented with the help of South Knighton Community Events For further information: jubileesingersleicester@yahoo.co.uk

