

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



Parish Church of St Guthlac
Knighton, Leicester LE2 3LF

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Sunday 24th July 2022
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This Sunday Revd Janet Gasper & Cecilia Adjadje will be leading a service of Morning Prayer

The Collect & Readings for the Sixth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

First Reading: Hosea 1.2-10

Psalm 85

Second Reading: Colossians 2.6-15 (16-19)

Brothers and sisters, ⁶as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹²when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And when

you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Gospel reading: Luke 11.1-13

¹He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' ²He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.'

⁵And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." ⁷And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

PRAYERS

Prayer for the Climate and Ecological Emergency

Father of Creation, God of Compassion.

Our world warms, Your world burns, Our hearts ache,
As heatwaves and wildfires rampage and ransack,
Leaving a trail of sweat and sorrow, death and destruction.
Heatwaves and new record temperatures,
A Conflagration of Chaos, We reap what we sow.

We know not how to pray,
Yet we pray, And look to you, Help us!

We lift up to you the heatwaves in the UK, forest fires across Europe,
In the heatwave,

We lift up to you those who are vulnerable as temperatures rise,
We lift up to you those who dwell in housing which cannot keep cool.
We lift up to you emergency services who will face extra pressure.

For those experiencing forest fires,

We lift up to you those whose homes have been destroyed,
We lift up to you those feeling scared.
We lift up to you those who are fighting the fires,
We lift up to you local and national leaders,

We grieve the rise in temperatures,
The risk it poses and the deaths it will bring.

We grieve the loss of forests, Destroyed by the flames.

We lament the death of wildlife
Destroyed by the wildfire and rising temperatures.

May these heatwaves and fires wake us up to our direction of travel,
May these heatwaves and fires expose the dark forces that put their
foot on the pedal of climate breakdown,
May these heatwaves and fires lead to sustained action from those in
power to adapt to what will be and avoid the worst of what may be.

Calm the raging fires,

Cool our soaring heat, Calm our anxious hearts,

Renew in us a commitment to justice and peace,

Until that day when death will be no more.

Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

Amen

edited from prayer by Rev [Jon Swales](#)

Weekly prayer for roads in the parish – **Raglan Court.**

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

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.

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>

St. Guthlac's Services

Sunday at 10.30am

**31st July NO SERVICE AT ST. GUTHLAC'S,
There will be a Benefice Eucharist Service at St. Mary's at
10.30am**

7th Aug Eucharist Revd Aphro McCullough

14th Aug Morning Prayer Cecilia Adjadje

21st Aug Eucharist Revd Adrian Jones

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

Evensong First Sunday of each month 5.30pm at St. Mary's

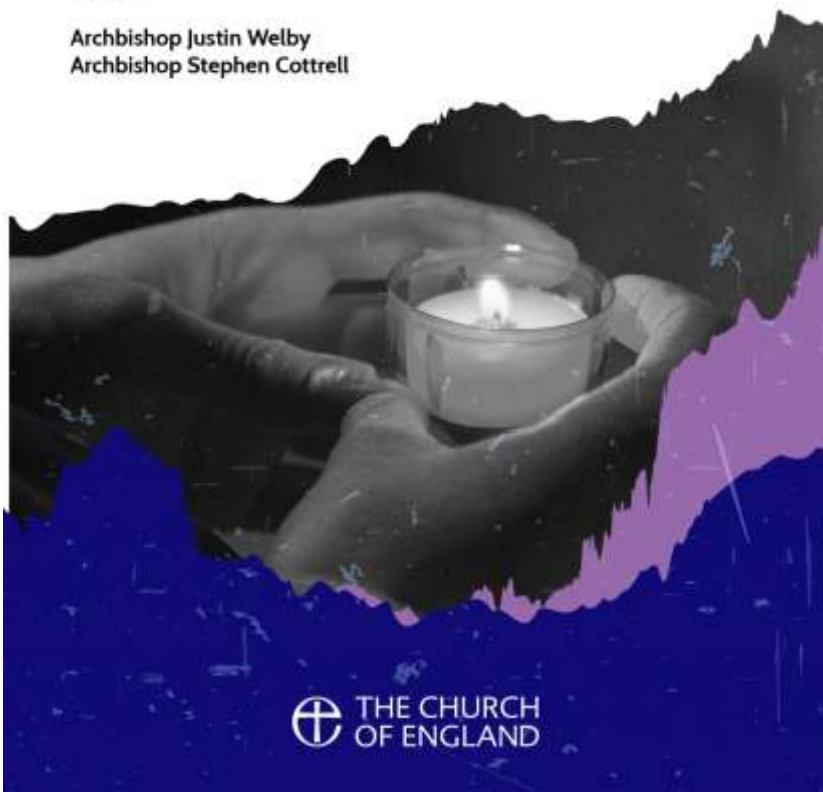
Come along for our monthly BCP Evensong
Participate in the prayer book's traditional liturgy with choral
accompaniment

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.

Archbishop Justin Welby
Archbishop Stephen Cottrell



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*

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: email:

churchwardens@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk.

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

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CONTACT DETAILS

Vicar: Revd. Adrian Jones *Adrian is currently on sabbatical study leave, so please contact Matthew, others in the Ministry Team, or the Church Wardens as appropriate. He'll be back at the end of July.*

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

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

Summer Read



The Love Song of Miss Queenie Hennessy by Rachel Joyce

We hope you will join us in reading 'The Love Song of Miss Queenie Hennessy' by Rachel Joyce over the summer. A few years ago, we had 'The Unlikely Pilgrimage Of Harold Fry' by the same author as our summer read which was really enjoyed by many.

In this uplifting story Queenie thought her first letter would be the end of the story. She was wrong. It was the beginning. When she discovers that Harold Fry is walking the length of England to save her, and all she has to do is wait, she is shocked. In her note to him she had explained she was dying. How can she wait? A new volunteer at the hospice suggests that Queenie should write again; only this time she must tell Harold everything. In confessing to secrets she has hidden for twenty years, she will find atonement for the past.

There will be an opportunity to meet to discuss this book and others you've enjoyed reading on Tuesday 20th September at 7.30 (with tea & cakes). If you can't make this date, there will be another chance to chat about this book and others at the new Holbrook Oasis at St Guthlac's on Wednesday 28th September at 1.30.

You can either borrow the book for a small donation or buy a good quality secondhand copy. See Tina or Jean if you want a copy.

South Leicester Churches

Drop ins - all welcome

Mon Wellbeing Cafe | 10am-12noon | Stoneygate Baptist Church

Tues Toddler Group | 9-11am | Christchurch Clarendon Park

Mothers Union | 2pm | St John the Baptist (3rd of month)

Mothers Union | 2-4pm | St Mary's Knighton (4th of month)

Weds MOLO (babies under 1) | 11am-12noon | St John the Baptist

Older persons luncheon | 12:30pm | Christchurch CP (fortnightly)

Holbrook Oasis Drop in | 1:30-3pm | St Guthlac's Knighton

Open Wednesday | 2-5pm | Clarendon Park Congregational Church

Thurs Buzzy Bees (1-5 yrs) | 9:30-11am | St John the Baptist (term time)

Connections | 2pm | St John the Baptist

Fri Messy Church | 3:30pm | Stoneygate Baptist (once a month)

Film night | 6pm | Clarendon Park Congregational (2nd of month)

**For more information about churches
in the South Leicester Christian Partnership see
together.ourchurchweb.org.uk/southleicester**

Holbrook Oasis

Wednesdays 1.30 – 3.00 pm
Starting 20th July

St Guthlac's Church, Holbrook Road LE2 3LF

Companionship, Conversation, Refreshment, Relaxation



Come and join us in our Welcome Area and garden to chat and enjoy others' company. Open to all: especially young families, people living alone, older persons and if you're new to Leicester!

Tea, coffee and cakes provided

Toys available for children with their carers



Email churchwardens@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk