

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



Parish Church of St Guthlac
Knighton, Leicester LE2 3LF

<https://www.stguthlac-knighton.co.uk/>



SEASON OF CREATION

Sunday 4th September 2022
Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

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This Sunday Revd Janet Gasper will preside and preach at a service of Holy Communion.

The Collect & Readings for the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

First Reading: Jeremiah 18.1-11

Psalm 139.1-5, 12-18

Second Reading: Philemon 1-21

Readings for this Sunday's Creationtide theme: What does being Jesus' disciple mean for us as Christians and how might that affect how we care for and celebrate creation?

Psalm 98 Praise the Judge of the World

¹ O sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvellous things.
His right hand and his holy arm
have gained him victory.

² The LORD has made known his victory;
he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

³ He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness
to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen
the victory of our God.

⁴ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

⁵ Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,
with the lyre and the sound of melody.

⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn
make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
the world and those who live in it.

⁸ Let the floods clap their hands;
let the hills sing together for joy

⁹ at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming
to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with equity.

Gospel reading: Luke 14.25-33

²⁵ Large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, “This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.”

³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a

delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.'

PRAYERS

Praying for the World: Please pray for all those affected by the devastating floods in Pakistan. Pray that everyone may find safe places to live and may receive the help that they need, including food, clean water and shelter. Pray for a swift and effective response from the Pakistani government and from international aid agencies.

Praying for the Church: Pray that, as we enter the Season of Creation or 'Creationtide', we might be changed by the Holy Spirit so that we become free from fear and are able to change our lifestyles and speak out for the protection of all creation in the face of global heating.

Pray also for our neighbour church of St James the Greater on London Road, and for Andrew Quigley, the Vicar and Diocesan Environmental Officer.

Praying for those in need: Please pray for all those who are in need at the moment, those who are unwell in body, mind or spirit, and those who are anxious and worried.

Also, give thanks for those who are recovering and who have found God's peace.

Please remember those who have died recently and pray for their families and friends. We also remember all those whose anniversaries fall at this time.

Weekly prayer for roads in the parish – **Ratcliffe Court & Ratcliffe Road.**

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

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



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.

St. Guthlac's Services

Sunday at 10.30am

11 th Sept	Harvest AAW	Fiona Wingate
18 th Sept	Eucharist	Bishop Christopher & Fiona Wingate
25 th Sept	Morning Prayer	Revd Adrian Jones
2 nd Oct	Eucharist	Revd Janet Gasper

Every Thursday at 9.30am

Holy Communion

Monthly St Mary's Evensong will resume this Sunday 4th September 5.30pm. Please come along and enjoy this worship together.

Choir practice resumes this Wednesday 7th September 7.30pm in church. All welcome.

National survivor survey launched to inform the CofE's safeguarding work

A national survey of survivors and victims of abuse has been launched by the Church of England to listen to their views on the development and implementation of its safeguarding structure. It is an opportunity to be involved in the development and implementation of a Church of England survivor engagement framework, which will set out how victims and survivors of abuse will inform the Church's work to develop and improve safeguarding.

The anonymous survey is available on the survivor engagement webpage of the Church of England's website and runs for two months from 19 July until 18 September 2022. [Find out more here.](#)

A midweek online haven

The experience of Compline March 2020 – August 2022

The Compline service is at 8.00pm on a Wednesday. It presents the traditional service through modern technology, via Zoom, using a telephone or computer in an accessible democratic way. Everyone can take part in the service as the parts of the service are shared out. It has been easy to use.

About 14 to 20 people take part each Wednesday. At the last meeting the participants reviewed the past 2½ years of Compline. They felt that the Compline online service has shown that good can come out of bad (Covid) by providing a 'real service' for those who can't easily access a service because they are protecting their health; are cautious about going out in the evening; or because they want a midweek service.

Before the service starts, there is a chance to chat informally and to discuss a topic for 10 minutes in very small groups. Participants felt that it has brought members of St Mary's and St Guthlac's churches closer together in a relaxing supporting atmosphere where they can have liturgical prayer as well as laughs. They have enjoyed meeting new people from the churches.

You will be very welcome to join us from 7.50 on a Wednesday evening by either:-

- using Zoom on your computer and clicking this link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81118183080>

or

using a telephone, ring 0203 481 5240 and follow the instructions. You will be asked for a meeting ID. Put 811 1818 3080 followed by #

Cecilia's studies whilst with us in Knighton: Cecilia, our ordinand in training, has now started her second and final year at St Mellitus College. During the course of this year there are three modules of study that require her to reflect specifically on what she is learning and experiencing with us at St Guthlac's and St Mary's:

- **Evangelism in Practice:** ordinands are expected to reflect upon their experience of evangelism in their context over a period of approximately 6 weeks;
- **Foundations in Christian Worship:** ordinands are expected to reflect upon their experience of worship in the placement;
- **Preaching:** ordinands are expected to record and reflect upon preaching experience.

Cecilia and I are also asked to think through and discuss how she is demonstrating and growing in a list of six specific personal qualities:

- Love for God
- Call to Ministry
- Love for People
- Wisdom
- Fruitfulness
- Trustworthiness

The last quality, in particular, is used to assess the commitment in terms of safeguarding, professional conduct and living within the boundaries and values of the Church.

These conversations inform the written comments that I then submit to the College and which help to shape the report to the Bishop at the end of the year.

I know that Cecilia is very happy to talk about her studies and college life so do please ask her some questions if you'd like to know more.

Adrian

Ride and Stride 2022 at St Guthlac's: 10th September 10:00 - 18:00. The annual Ride and Stride event will take place on 10th September from 10:00 to 18:00. This is a fundraising event for the Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust (LHCT) which supports churches in Leicestershire with grants for improvement and maintenance costs. Half of all funds raised by participants can go to their local church so everyone benefits. The LHCT publish a list of all churches and chapels that are open on the day and then participants can plot their walking or cycling route between any number of the churches. St Guthlac's is taking part and would like to open to welcome visiting walkers and cyclists to the church.

I'd like to encourage you to get involved in any of the following ways.

(1) By volunteering to for a slot to welcome visitors to the church. If you're interested there will be a rota at the back of church so please do sign up for an hour (or more). It can be a restful way to spend some time and as a "Rider" or "Strider" it is always a real joy to find the church open and people present to welcome you.

(2) By cycling or walking between open churches. This gives you a chance to see inside some of the beautiful churches of our city and county.

All participants, whether welcomers or riders and striders, can be sponsored. If you'd like to participate please speak to Fiona for lists of churches and sponsorship forms. If you'd like to ride and stride but are a little unsure of the format or would prefer not to go on your own then join Fiona from 10:15 for a cycle tour around some of the churches in Knighton, Stoneygate and City Centre who will be taking part which should take about 4 hours allowing time for stops.

Any other questions please get in touch with Fiona Wingate by email on eco@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk.



LEICESTERSHIRE & RUTLAND FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY



The charm of a Lincolnshire holiday?

**Beach huts, eyesores and coastal
conservation before WW2**

A talk by Dr Susan Barton, Honorary Visiting Research Fellow,
International Centre for Sports History & Culture at De Montfort
University, and Leicester City Councillor for Braunstone Park &
Rowley Fields

Wednesday 14th September 2022 at 7.30pm

Venue: Stoneygate Baptist Church, London Road,
Leicester LE2 3ND (opposite the Regency Hotel)

Refreshments from 7pm and CD/book stall
Free to members, non-members a small donation (£2) is appreciated
Any queries to leicester@lrfhs.org.uk

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St Guthlac's Church

Holbrook Rd, South Knighton

Choral Harvest Evensong



Sunday 9th October

6pm

*The service will be led by the Cathedral choir and staff.
Further information from Fiona Wingate*

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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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>

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>

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.

Harvest Festival Sunday 11th Sept: Gifts for Open Hands

Our Harvest Festival will be on Sunday 11th September. The need to reach out to those struggling to feed themselves and their families is even more pressing this year, and as usual we will be taking our food donations to Open Hands, a fantastic local organisation which St Guthlac's congregation has supported very generously for a number of years. The chart below indicates which items are needed currently. Please remember this appeal when doing your shopping between now and Harvest. Thank you.

Open Hands  donation list			Food			 Most in Need	 Fully Stocked
							
Vegetable Oil	Dry Pasta	Small packs of spices	Jar Sauce	Vegetarian Curry	Meat Meal	Meat Meal	Cereal
							
All Types of Flour	Tinned Tomatoes	Tinned Vegetables	Tinned Pulse Beans	Dried Pulse Beans	Tinned Fish	Tinned Fish	Rice Pudding
							
Salt/Pepper	Table Sauces (e.g. ketchup)	Jams/Spreads	Biscuits	Individually wrapped cakes or snacks	UHT Milk	UHT Milk	Squash
							
Box of Tea (40/80 bags)	Sugar	Instant Coffee	Hot Chocolate	Bread Delivery Only	Fridge/Freezer Items Delivery Only	Fridge/Freezer Items Delivery Only	Bottled Water

COFFEE MORNING



ON SATURDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2022

FROM 10.00 AM UNTIL 12.00 NOON

**AT ST. MARY MAGDALEN CHURCH, BRINSMEAD ROAD,
KNIGHTON, LEICESTER LE2 3WG**

**STALLS TO INCLUDE CAKES & PRESERVES,
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JUST COME ALONG

EVERYONE WELCOME

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Leicester Global City Quilt

We invite you to stitch a square representing you for the Global City Quilt. The quilt will be displayed around the city during 2023.

Your square, made how you want

Choose to hand stitch or use our sewing machines. Sew and decorate with a wide range of fabrics and materials. All materials are provided.

Slow Stitch

A mindful activity to relax and chat with other stitchers while creating your square.

Choose your venue

Plan to come to all three sessions (or two at a minimum).

Highfields Library	Tuesdays	9 Aug	16 Aug	23 Aug	2.00pm - 4.00pm
Belgrave Neighbourhood Centre	Thursdays	11 Aug	18 Aug	1 Sept	1.00pm - 3.00pm
New Parks Library	Mondays	26 Sept	3 Oct	10 Oct	1.00pm - 3.00pm
Beaumont Leys Library	Tuesdays	28 Sept	5 Oct	12 Oct	1.00pm - 3.00pm
Park Pie Library	Thursdays	29 Sept	6 Oct	13 Oct	10:30am - 12:30pm
St Matthews Centre	Mondays	24 Oct	31 Oct	7 Nov	1.00pm - 3.00pm
Leicester Museum and Art Gallery	Tuesdays	25 Oct	1 Nov	8 Nov	10:30am - 12:30pm
The BRITE Centre	Thursdays	27 Oct	3 Nov	10 Nov	1.00pm - 3.00pm

Book on 07999 840 140 or email linda.harding@leicester.gov.uk

Can't come to workshops?

You can still take part. Bring or send your finished piece to Leicester Museum and Art Gallery, 52 New Walk, Leicester LE1 7EA. Your piece should be 26cm square with an extra 1cm border all round so we can stitch the quilt together.

Or take a photo and email it to museums@leicester.gov.uk with the subject 'Quilting Conversations'.



Visit
leicestermuseums.org/QuiltingConversations
or scan the code to find out more

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Contact Crystal McAllister for more
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To secure a place, email
Claire.stapleton@leicestercofe.org

Costs: £40 per term, but if cost is a
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Dates: TBC from September 2022

Sessions will cover:

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| spirituality | mission in all its forms |
| theological reflection | retreat day |
| pioneering | exploring your calling and next steps |

Diocese of Leicester's priorities (new, intergenerational,
reconciliation, eco & intercultural communities)



St Denys Church

2022 Music Festival



Saturday 3rd September 3pm	Student Recital: Erica Lees-Smith and Charlotte Bradley Two talented young musicians perform a range of music on recorder, saxophone, piano and voice. Tea and cake will be served.
Saturday 10th September 7pm	Organ Recital: Simon Headley ARCO Former cathedral organist performs music for the Platinum Jubilee incl. Handel, Elgar, Vaughan Williams and Walton . Refreshments will be served.
Saturday 24th September 6.30pm Village Hall	Classical Sitar Recital: Ustaad Dharambir Singh MBE Performing a varied programme of Indian music curated by one of the country's top sitarists from Leicester. Samosas and drinks will be served.
Sunday 2nd October 3pm	Harvest Hymns and Pimms Send in your favourite hymns with a donation to church funds and join in this special Songs of Praise. Pimms and other refreshments will be served.
Saturday 8th October 7.30pm	Violin Concert: Amalia Young Outstanding violinist and former Evington resident performs Georg Philipp Telemann's 12 Fantasias for solo violin. Refreshments included. Tickets £8.
Sunday 9th October 3pm	St Denys Day Concert: Penny Campling and friends A relaxed afternoon of music for piano and voice following the Parish Lunch to mark St Denys Day.

Entry to all concerts is FREE except for the 8th October where tickets are available at the door priced £8. Donations for the work of St. Denys very welcome.
The opportunity to buy raffle tickets will be available across all concerts. The draw will be made at the end of the final concert on Sunday 9th October.
For more information contact office@stdenys.org.uk or 07803 828454.

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