

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



Parish Church of St Guthlac
Knighton, Leicester LE2 3LF

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



Sunday 30th April 2023
Fourth Sunday of Easter

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This Sunday at 10.30am, Revd Janet Gasper will be presiding & preaching at a service of Holy Communion.

The Collect & Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:
raise us, who trust in him,
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,
that we may seek those things which are above,
where he reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

First Reading: Acts 2. 42-47; **Psalm 23**

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2.19-25

Gospel Reading: John 10.1-10

PRAYERS

Praying for the World: Please pray urgently for the people of Sudan, as warring military factions bring suffering and devastation to the capital city Khartoum. Pray for a peaceful resolution to the conflict and the re-establishment of co-operation and good government.

Praying for the Church: Please pray for the charity supported by the Bishop's Lent Appeal. 'Home for Good' is a UK charity with a vision to find a home for every child who needs one, believing that the Church is ideally placed to help this happen. Pray for the local Leicestershire team of 8 volunteers and champions who work to respond to the needs of children within our area, and to support the adults caring for children in foster care, adoptive families or as supported lodgings hosts.

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, those who are anxious and worried as well as those facing new challenging circumstances.

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

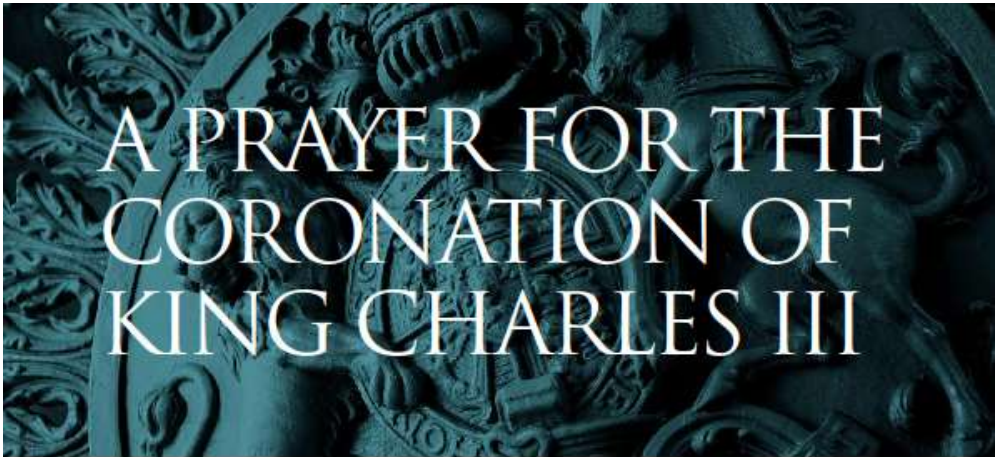
Please remember those who have died recently, and pray for their families and friends. We also remember all those whose anniversaries fall at this time.

Weekly prayer for roads in the parish – **Goldhill Gardens.**

For further prayer requests which can be included in the weekly prayer list or anonymized and prayed for in private, please contact Revd Adrian adrian.jones@zoho.com or Jane administrator@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk

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%.





A PRAYER FOR THE CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III

Our Father in heaven,

We pray today for our new King Charles III.

Grant him your peace as he commits himself again to
your service.

Give him strength and perseverance as he promises to serve
us all as King.

May he know you are walking with him day by day.

Help him to fulfil his vows and promises.

May he follow the example of Jesus – the ultimate
King of Kings.

God bless the King.

Amen.

St. Guthlac's Services

Sunday at 10.30am

7 th May	Eucharist
14 th May	All Age Worship
21 st May	Eucharist
28 th May	Morning Prayer & Church Club
4 th June	Eucharist

Every Thursday at 9.30am

Holy Communion

Every Tuesday 9.30am at St. Mary's

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Virtual Compline 8.00pm Wednesday evenings

There is an online Compline every Wednesday 8.00 pm, **all are welcome**. You can also join using a phone. You can join the meeting from 7.50 pm.

On the computer click: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81118183080>

On the phone dial: 0203 481 5240 and follow the instructions.

You will be asked for a meeting ID. Put **811 1818 3080** followed by #

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.

Holbrook Oasis
at St. Guthlac's Church,
Wednesdays 1.30-3.30pm

Companionship, Conversation, Refreshment, Relaxation

Open to all, especially young families, people living alone, older persons and if you are new to Leicester. Tea, coffee and cakes provided. Email; churchwardens@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk

Coronation Volunteer Day - Gardening Party & Litter Pick: 8th May 10:00 - 12:00. We're having a gardening party at St Guthlac's and a litter pick in the local area as part of the volunteer day on the 8th May. Do join us to get the garden ready for the summer and / or help with litter picking in some of the local parts of our parish. Bring tools, bring friends and family. Litter pickers can be provided. Look forward to seeing you there.

Eco Tip for MAY

Say no to the mower. Mowing your lawn less, and letting parts of it grow long, saves you time and helps give nature a home. If you want to make an even bigger impact for wildlife, don't mow your lawn or a section of it all until August to help even more animals.

The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry. Many of us enjoyed reading this book a few years ago and just to let you know that it has been made into a film. It will be shown at the Phoenix cinema from Fri 28 April onwards and I've seen the trailer. It's great, and stars that wonderful actor Jim Broadbent. Worth going to see!

Margaret Bonney

An introduction to easyfundraising

Friday 28 April at 11am, online

This online session will be beneficial to all churches who are looking for ways to diversify funding streams and will run for 45 minutes. The team at *easyfundraising* will demonstrate how it works, how easy it is to integrate into churches and share tips on maximising its success. Book here: [Webinar registration](#)

St Guthlac's May Fayre Sat 20th May 11am

We would be very grateful for **contributions towards the Bottle Tombola**. Bottles ranging from drinks to shampoo will be very welcome: maybe you could add one to your weekly shop from now until the Fayre. There will also be a plant stall, so if you are splitting plants, have any unwanted self-seeded plants or spare seedlings, please pot these up and label them and they can be brought on the day. Cakes will also be gratefully received on the day. Thank you.

Voter ID New Legislation

As Christians we ought to exercise our right to vote in democratic elections whenever we can (Romans 13.1-5). Local elections in Leicester are taking place on Thursday 4 May and new legislation now means that voters will need to show photographic identification to vote in person at a polling station.

The accepted forms of photographic identification include passports, driving licences, blue badges, certain concessionary travel cards, identity cards with PASS mark (Proof of Age Standards Scheme), a biometric immigration document, a defence identity card, and certain other national identity cards. Expired photographic identification documents can also still be used as accepted photographic ID at the polling station if the photograph is still a good likeness of the voter. Please do exercise your vote on 4th May and take your proof of identity with you.

Your Benefice Magazine

I shall start compiling the next magazine in the first week of May, with a view to publishing in mid-May. I do my best to cover the full range of activities, plans and thoughts at both our churches, but I depend on hearing about these things from you, the readers. A paragraph or two, plus a picture, would be very welcome. So would advance notice of events planned for the rest of the year.

All contributions are appreciated. Don't be shy. Please send your contributions, preferably in Word, to stmaryknighton.magazine@gmail.com

Nigel Siesage



CELEBRATE THE CORONATION!



Discover the Christian roots and significance of our Royal Coronation service:

"The Crown Uncovered" is a podcast for those interested in the religious significance and history of the English Coronation Service, the only remaining anointing ritual of a Christian monarch. The ceremonies which attend the crowning of English Kings date from before the Norman Conquest, and despite huge changes in society, the state and the Church, they persist. The Archbishop of Canterbury presides over an event of particular holiness.

Two Anglican clergy, Dr Anders Bergquist and William Gulliford, will host interviews with specialists in the fields of Biblical Studies and Liturgy, as well as friends from other faith traditions, to explore the significance of this rite in the past and for the present.

You can find all episodes of "The Crown Uncovered" at <https://thecrownuncovered.buzzsprout.com/>

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[**https://www.stguthlac-knighton.co.uk**](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 <https://www.stguthlac-knighton.co.uk>

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

Tea and Talk evening for May ...

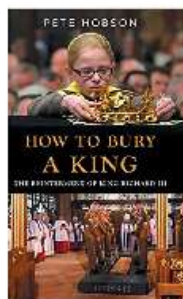
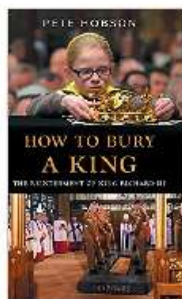
How to Bury a King The Reinterment of King Richard III

Tuesday 9th May at 7pm

St Guthlac's Church, Holbrook Rd LE2 3LF

How would you have arranged the burial of King Richard III?

Pete Hobson was faced with that challenge in 2013 as Project Director for the reinterment of King Richard III in Leicester Cathedral. As the ultimate insider, he gives an entertaining account of what happened after Richard III's remains had been found and identified.



Pete Hobson is chair of the local charity Leicester City of Sanctuary. He has also overseen the creation of St Martins House and Cathedral Gardens and most recently led the planning stage for the reordering and development work now nearing completion at the Cathedral.

Free talk and refreshments. Do join us!

St. Guthlac's Church May Fayre

Saturday 20th May

11:00am-2:00pm



Holbrook Road

LE2 3LF



Summer Bedding Plants

Vegetable and Herbs



Annuals and Perennials

Coffee, tea, cake, biscuits

Ploughmans Lunches and Hot Dogs

Popcorn Soft drinks

Cakes and Preserves



Children's Novelty Jumpers

Bottle Tombola

Free Admission