

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



Parish Church of St Guthlac
Knighton, Leicester LE2 3LF

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Sunday 14th May 2023
Sixth Sunday of Easter

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This Sunday at 10.30am, Tina Jarvis and Jean Gabbar will lead a service of All Age Worship.

The Collect & Readings for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us
to eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
Amen

First Reading: Acts 17.22-31; **Psalm 66.7-18**

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3.13-22

Gospel Reading: John 14.15-21

PRAYERS

Praying for the World: Pray for Christian Aid and for all those who will work and donate to support this world-wide development agency during Christian Aid Week which begins today. Pray for our own response: that each heart will be moved with compassion and that we will 'dig deep' to help the poorest and most vulnerable communities of the world.

Praying for the Church: With others across our diocese, please pray this week for the churches of the new Launde Minster Community, including:

- the Whatborough Parishes
- the Coplow Benefice (parishes of Billesdon with Goadby, the Gaulby Group, Skeffington, Hungarton and Keyham),

- the parishes of Hallaton & Allextun with Horninghold, Tugby, East Norton & Slawston,
- the parishes of the Langtons and Shangton

Please pray for a sense of united purpose and a seeking after God's good future.

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.

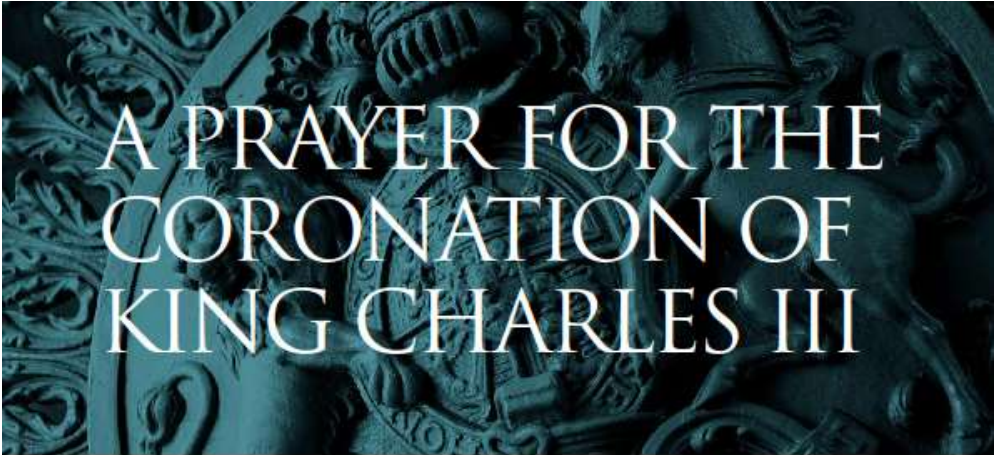
Also, give thanks for those who are recovering and who have found God's peace.

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 – **Guilford Road.**

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

Sad news from the family of Helen Nicholls: We have heard this week that a former member of the congregations at St Mary's and St Guthlac's, Helen Nicholls, has died, peacefully in hospital in Maidstone on 28th April. Several years ago Helen moved from Balmoral Close to live in the Lavender Care Home, West Mallings in Kent, which was much nearer to her family. After a Cremation in Kent, it is hoped that her ashes will be placed in St Mary's Garden of Remembrance, alongside those of her husband Allan, who died in 2015. Our condolences and prayers go to Helen's family and friends.
Adrian



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

21 st May	Eucharist	Revd Aphro McCullough
28 th May	Matins & Church Club	David Hunt
4 th June	Eucharist	Revd Aphro McCullough
11 th June	All Age Worship	Revd Janet Gasper
18 th June	Eucharist	Revd Adrian Jones
Every Thursday at 9.30am		Holy Communion
Every Tuesday 9.30am at St. Mary's		Holy Communion

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.

Ascension Day, 18th May

There will be an Ascension Day Sung Eucharist at St Mary's at 7.30pm. The Thursday 9.30am Communion at St Guthlac's will take place as usual.

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

Eco Tip for MAY

Say no to the mow. 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.

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.

Collecting Stamps for the Leprosy Mission: as you will remember, we heard from the Leprosy Mission at the end of 2022 to say that they were closing the stamps and collectibles department as from 31 March 2023. I sent off our last contribution in February and we've just received a thank you letter from the charity for all St Guthlac's has done over the years to support this effort. They say 'together, you have transformed lives'. *Margaret Bonney*

Your PCC: At the recent Annual Parochial Church meeting David Hunt and Tina Jarvis were elected as churchwardens for a term of 1 year. Jane Wright and Chris Bullough were re-elected to the PCC and Jean Cox was elected for the first time, all for a term of 3 years. Adrian Jones (vicar) is the chairman of the PCC and Fiona Wingate (as lay reader) is also a member. Other elected members are Anne Hunt, Ann Swanson, Lesley Meakin, Yolanda Courtney and Alison Welsted. We are very grateful to all of them for serving the church in this way. The new PCC has already had its first meeting and will keep you informed about current issues and plans.

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

Mothers' Union Fellowship

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 23rd May when Sue Clark will tell us about the Growbaby Project which helps struggling families in Leicester by providing good quality baby clothes and equipment. You may remember that Sue had to cancel her planned visit to us in January because of family illness so we are very pleased that she has agreed to come now. We will gather as usual in the Parish Centre Lounge from 1.30 for a 2pm start. Non-members are welcome to join us. LP

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%.



Please support Christian Aid Week 14th-20th May



Soaring costs are affecting people here and around the world.

Families in Malawi are paying the price of this global crisis. Food, fuel, fertiliser and school fees have doubled in price in the last 12 months. And hard-working farmers are seeing their harvests fail as the climate crisis brings increasingly erratic weather.

The impact of the recent Cyclone Freddy in Malawi has been devastating. Floods have washed away crops, over 500,000 people have been displaced and hundreds have lost their lives. Christian Aid Week is at its most powerful when a disaster happens. Through you, we will be there long after the flood waters recede, helping families build back. Your gifts this May will continue to support the pigeon pea project and other vital work around the world.

This Christian Aid Week, help farmers like Jen plant better seeds and build happier futures for their children. Please join us this Christian Aid Week by donating in one of these ways:

- Through a donation in a Christian Aid envelope which is delivered to your home, or one available in church
- By donating on-line through our St Guthlac's e-envelope. This is easy to do by using the following link

[St Guthlac's Church Knighton - Christian Aid Envelope](#)

or by using the QR code below



THANK YOU!

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Don't forget to visit the St. Guthlac's Facebook page and website [**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>

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