ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS





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"You are of more value than many sparrows..."

Sunday 25 June 2023 Third Sunday after Trinity

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This Sunday at 10.30am, Revd Janet Gasper will be leading a service of Morning Prayer

The Collect & Readings for the Third Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through 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.

1st Reading: Genesis 21.8-21: **2nd Reading:** Romans 6.1b-11 **Psalm 86.1-10, 16-17: Gospel Reading:** Matthew 10.24-39

PRAYERS

A Prayer for all those soon to be ordained

God our Father, Lord of all the world, through your Son you have called us into the fellowship of your universal Church: hear our prayer for your faithful people that in their vocation and ministry each may be an instrument of your love, and give to your servants now to be ordained the needful gifts of grace; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Praying for the world: As we reach the end of Refugee Week, please pray for all those currently embarked on a perilous journey to safety, wherever they are in the world. Pray too for peace across all conflict zones, so that many fewer people will be displaced from their homes. Pray for all those bearing the burden of conflict, whether internally, in their own home, in their communities or on a national or international stage – that the God of peace would strengthen their spirit and keep them safe.

Praying for the Church: With others across our Diocese, please pray for the Roots Intercultural Worshipping Community, for all those on their Ordination Retreat, and for the people and leaders of the parishes of Thurmaston and East Goscote, Syston and Barkby, and Sileby, Cossington and Seagrave.

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 – **Knighton Grange 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

Memorial Service for Helen Nicholls: Following Helen's recent death, a Memorial Service will be held at St Mary's on Thursday 6th July at 2pm, followed immediately by the interring of her ashes in our Garden of Remembrance.

St. Guthlac's Services

Sunday at 10.30am

2nd July Eucharist Revd Janet Gasper

9th July Matins David Hunt

16th July Eucharist Revd Janet Gasper &

Fiona Wingate

23rd July Morning Prayer Cecilia Adjadje

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 #

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%.

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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

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

Nearly there! Cecilia's Ordination is on Sunday 2nd July :

I'm very pleased to say that all of the visa formalities have been sorted out and we can now prepare for Cecilia's ordination on Sunday 2nd July at All Saints Church in Loughborough. It has been such a pleasure and a blessing to have Cecilia, Peter, Esther, David and Daniel as part of our Knighton 'family' over the last two years as Cecilia completed her training for the ordained ministry. Now we can look forward to her ordination as Deacon in a few weeks time and then her curacy with us here, which will include her ordination as priest next summer, 2024. The family will be moving to a house on Westminster Road later in July.

I'm sure you'd like to join me in sending them all - and especially Cecilia- our love, good wishes and every blessing of God at this significant moment in their lives. Please do pray for them all - and the others to be ordained in our Diocese too. Prayer leaflets, with all the ordinands names, are at the back of church today. If you'd like to contribute to our special ordination gift for Cecilia then please do add something to the collection plate, in an envelope marked "Ordination", or directly to the church bank account with the label "Ordination".

Benefice Magazine - an update

The next Benefice Magazine will be published in late July. Please consider making a contribution. As I have other commitments at the beginning of the month, the closing date for contributions has been put back to Saturday 8 July. Copy should be sent to me at stmaryknighton.magazine@gmail.com

Messy Church and Busy Bees: for some years, members of St Mary's have worked in partnership with Stoneygate Baptist Church in running a regular monthly after-school 'Messy Church' session for families, and a summer time 'Busy Bees' holiday club. Both groups now find themselves short of team members. If you'd like to offer time and enthusiasm to help out please see Eileen McKillican or Adrian Jones for more details.

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

Mothers' Union Fellowship

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday**, **27**th **June** when Jenny Joannou will be our speaker. Some of you will remember Jenny's last visit when her theme was "Criminals wot I've met". We are delighted that she has agreed to return. This time she will talk about some of her teaching experiences. As always, visitors are welcome to join us in the Parish Centre lounge from 1.30pm for a 2pm start. LP

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.

<u>Please leave your donation as you come into the service</u>. 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.

SAMARITANS

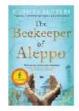
A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Molly Clarke is organizing a Charity Evening Dinner to raise money for the Leicester Samaritans.

This will be held at Leicester College on **Wednesday 8th November**. Tickets are £28 each.

More details to come. Molly

Summer Read





We hope you will join us in reading one or more books by Christy Lefteri

The Bee Keeper of Aleppo and / or The Songbirds

Bee Keeper of Aleppo

Nuri is a beekeeper, his wife, Afra, an artist. They live a simple life, rich in family and friends, in the beautiful Syrian city of Aleppo - until the unthinkable happens. When all they care for is destroyed by war, they are forced to escape though Asia and Europe. This is a beautifully written story of a couple's flight from war-torn Aleppo to the UK. It is gripping, sad and thought-provoking.

The Songbirds

A story based on real events. Nisha has left Sri Lanka to go to Cyprus to support her mother and young daughter. She goes to work for Petra. For Petra, it is only natural to hire a domestic worker to keep her house clean and her family fed. Their lives have nothing in common, except the love they feel for their daughters. Then one day, Nisha vanishes. No one cares about the disappearance of a foreign domestic worker, except Petra and Nisha's secret lover, Yiannis.

Copies of the books will be available to borrow from St Guthlac's church and Holbrook Oasis café which meets every Wednesday between 1.30-3.30.

There will be an opportunity to meet to discuss the books on <u>Tuesday 12th September at 7.00</u> (with tea & cakes) or at Holbrook Oasis at St Guthlac's on <u>Wednesday 13th September</u> at 1.30.