

GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



Parish Church of St Guthlac
Knighton, Leicester LE2 3LF

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Sunday 2 July 2023
Fourth Sunday after Trinity

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This Sunday at 10.30am, Revd Janet Gasper will preside and preach at a service of Holy Communion.

The Collect & Readings for the Fourth Sunday after Trinity

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;
that with you as our ruler and guide
we may so pass through things temporal
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;
grant this, heavenly Father,
for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

1st Reading: Genesis 22.1-14; **2nd Reading:** Romans 6.12-23
Psalms 13; **Gospel Reading:** Matthew 10.40-42

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: Recent events have shown that the world remains an unpredictable and surprising place! Pray for good leaders in every nation - women and men who are motivated by the needs of others and who see that reconciliation, co-operation, understanding and compassion are all key to building lasting peace and justice for everyone. Pray especially that all nations and peoples will learn to share our resources, gifts and skills for the good of all.

Praying for the Church: Pray for all those being ordained as ministers of the Church at this time - that they will be people of prayer and discipleship, first and foremost. With others across our Diocese, pray too for the people and leaders of the churches in Queniborough, Thrussington, Ratcliffe and Rearsby, Birstall and Wanlip.

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 Drive.**

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

9 th July	Matins	David Hunt
16 th July	Eucharist	Revd Janet Gasper & Fiona Wingate
23 rd July	Morning Prayer	Cecilia Adjadje
30 th July	Benefice service at St. Mary's NO SERVICE AT ST GUTHLAC'S	

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%.

Use your phone to scan the QR Code below and make a donation towards the work of St. Guthlac's Church. Thank you.



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

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

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

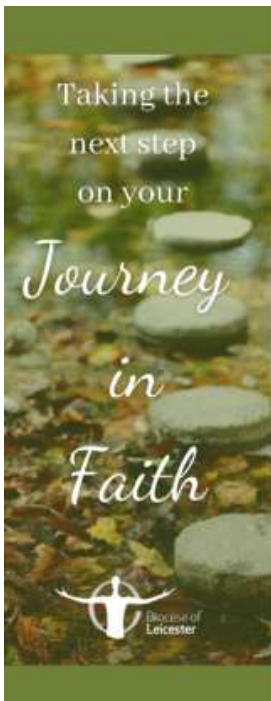
I'm very pleased to say that all of the visa formalities have been sorted out and we can now prepare for Cecilia's ordination on Sunday 2nd July at All Saints Church in Loughborough. It has been such a pleasure and a blessing to have Cecilia, Peter, Esther, David and Daniel as part of our Knighton 'family' 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.



Taking the
next step
on your

Journey
in
Faith



What is the Journey in Faith Course?
A 3 term course that provides the time and space for people to:

- Grow in knowledge of the Christian faith
- Deepen their relationship with God
- Explore how to live out faith in the whole of life.

Introductory session – Saturday 23 September 10.00-12.30 at SMH

Course venues
The course will take place at different venues around the diocese - register your interest to find out more.

Who can join?
It is open to anyone—there is some reading to do between sessions but you don't need to have done any studying before.

Is there a cost?
£40 per term to cover venue hire and materials but speak to us if this is a barrier.

How do I join a course?
For more information or to register contact Liz Rawlings (liz.rawlings@leicestercofe.org).

What does a previous participant say?
"If you want to know more about yourself and your Christian faith, then JiF is the course for you. You'll be welcomed and challenged, affirmed and changed, and you'll definitely be glad you came."

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

EcoTip for July: Lending a helping hand in hot weather. Help hedgehogs in hot weather. Hedgehogs particularly need help in a heatwave, as their usual prey of slugs, snails and worms are often unavailable. Leaving out a juicy snack, such as mealworms or canned dog food, can help in sustained warm weather. If you have a garden pond, ensure there's always a way for hedgehogs (and other small mammals) to climb out if they fall in.

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 Tuesday 12th September at 7.00 (with tea & cakes) or at Holbrook Oasis at St Guthlac's on Wednesday 13th September at 1.30.