

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



Parish Church of St Guthlac
Knighton, Leicester LE2 3LF

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Sunday 23 June 2024
Fourth Sunday after Trinity

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This Sunday at 10.30am, Revd Cecilia Adjadje will be leading a service of Morning Prayer.

The Collect and 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: 1 Samuel 17. (1a,4-11,19-23) 32-49;

Psalms 9.9-20;

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 6.1-13;

Gospel Reading: Mark 4. 35-41

Praying for the World: Please pray for the election campaigns in the USA, France and here at home. Pray that God will call leaders of integrity, wisdom and compassion, and that all electors will be guided in their choice. Remember that St Paul wrote

"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people – for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Saviour, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. "

(1 Timothy 2.1-4)

Praying for the Church: With others across the country. please pray for all those to be ordained this Pentecost (see inside). Pray also for the people and leaders of the churches in Kibworth with Smeeton Westerby & Saddington, St James the Greater, Leicester, and the Cornerstone Team.

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 Rise.**

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%.



<https://givealittle.co/c/b277f14e-1e30-43b5-ac10-c822f0a70286>

St. Guthlac's Services

Sunday at 10.30am

30 th June	JOINT SERVICE AT ST. MARY'S NO SERVICE AT ST. GUTHLAC'S	
7 th July	Eucharist	Revd Cecilia Adjadje & Fiona Wingate
14 th July	Morning Prayer	Revd Janet Gasper
21 st July	Eucharist	Revd Janet Gasper
Every Thursday at 9.30am	Holy Communion	
Every Tuesday 9.30am at St. Mary's	Holy Communion	

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.

Virtual Compline 8.00pm Wednesday evenings

There is an online Compline service 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 #

On the move!

As many of you will know, our friend Margaret Bonney has, last week, moved to Nottinghamshire, to be nearer to her family. Her email address remains unchanged.

Margaret says 'I will miss you all - and St Guthlac's - but I'm looking forward to the next stage of life'.

I'm sure you will all join with me in wishing Margaret all the very best for the future. *Jane W*

Benefice Magazine

The closing date for copy for the July/August issue of the Magazine is Monday 1 July. Please take advantage of the opportunity to tell your fellow readers about interesting things that have happened in our community in the last couple of months; or to provide advance notice of interesting things that are coming up. Copy should be sent to me at stmaryknighton.magazine@gmail.com. (which includes St Guthlac's, despite the address!).

Thank you. Nigel Siesage.

Eco Tip for June:

Join #30DaysWild. One of A Rocha UK's firm beliefs is that we are more likely to nurture and defend God's creation if we spend time enjoying it. The Wildlife Trusts' 30 Days Wild challenge is a great opportunity to engage with nature as an individual, household, or with your church community throughout June. Find some wild ideas at wildlifetrusts.org/30-days-wild

Mothers' Union Fellowship Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 25th June when members will present a favourite poem. (If it's a very long poem just a part of it, please!) We'll meet as usual in the Parish Centre Lounge at 1.30 for a 2pm start. As always non-members are welcome to join us. LP

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

General Election 2024: "Pray your part!"

Ahead of the General Election on 4th July there are some important actions that we should all be taking...

- make sure you are registered to vote - the deadline is 11.59pm on 18th June
- make sure you know what photo ID is needed to vote and get it ready
- inform yourself about the candidates standing and pray for wisdom in deciding how to vote!

The Church of England has launched an election campaign of it's own called **"Pray your part!"** - an invitation from the bishops to encourage prayer and participation in the life of our nation and communities, both as voters and as citizens. A key part of the campaign is encouraging us all to use a special booklet that takes us on a 21-day journey of prayer and reflection in the run-up to the Election itself. Each day explores a different theme, with a short Bible reading, reflection and prayer for a different aspect of our common life. Copies of the booklet will be available in church here as soon as they are published, for a donation of £1, but you can also access a free digital copy by visiting churchofengland.org/PrayYourPart

Adrian

Cecilia's Ordination once again!

Many of you will know that in the Church of England ordination takes place in two stages. Last summer our curate Cecilia was ordained as a Deacon by Bishop Saju, in a splendid and moving service at All Saints, Loughborough. This year, on **Saturday 29th June at 4pm in Leicester Cathedral**, she will be ordained as a Priest by Bishop Martyn – this means she will be able to lead and preside at the full range of our services, including the Eucharist (or Holy Communion). Everyone is welcome to join this special service and I hope you'll share Cecilia's special day if you can – the Cathedral doors open at 3.15pm.

The following day, **Sunday 30th June**, Cecilia will preside at the Eucharist for the first time during our special joint benefice service at St Mary's, when the preacher will be the Revd Mrytle Cook, who has been Cecilia's mentor and supporter during her vocational journey. Again, I do hope that you'll be able to come and support Cecilia and her family as she passes this milestone in her curacy with us.

As a special Nigerian expression of hospitality and friendship, Cecilia would also like to share cake to go with our coffee, and also food for us all to take home at the end of the service – so please don't be shy in accepting your gift! It will all be home-made and Peter has promised to keep the spices very mild so that everyone can enjoy it! If you'd like to stay after the service to enjoy your lunch then you're very welcome - we'll have chairs out - or you can take it home in the special containers provided.

We also want to show our appreciation and support for Cecilia's ministry, with our own special gift to her... If you'd like to make a contribution, please place it in a marked envelope and add it to the Collection plate (cash only please, as cheques are expensive to process).

Many thanks! *Revd Adrian*

Prayers For Ordinations 2024

Please pray for all those to be ordained, and especially those to be ordained in the Diocese of Leicester this Pentecost; for their families, friends and all those who will support them; and for the communities where they will serve their curacy, for their training incumbents and context supervisors.

Pray too for Bishop Martyn who will preside at the ordinations and for The Revd Sue Willetts, DDO in the Diocese of Leicester, who will lead the ordination retreat at Launde Abbey with Bishop Martyn and Anthony Lees-Smith, Diocesan IME Officer. Please pray also for more vocations to all kinds of ministry as we are Shaped By God Together.

*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 all your faithful people
that in their vocation and ministry
each may be an instrument of your love,
and give to your servants soon 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.*

To be ordained Priest on Saturday 29 June at 4pm by the Bishop of Leicester in Leicester Cathedral.

Cecilia Adjadje – Knighton

Bob Edge - The Benefice of Barrow-upon-Soar with Walton le Wolds, Wymeswold and Prestwold with Hoton

Linda Harwood - The Oadby Great Glen Team Ministry

Geoff Pinnington - Coalville with Bardon Hill and Ravenstone

Dave Rollett - Ordained Pioneer Minister in the Akeley East Deanery

To be ordained Deacon on Sunday 30 June at 10.30am by the Bishop of Leicester in Leicester Cathedral.

Rachael Brind-Surch - Birstall & Wanlip

Heather Hall - Goscote Deanery

Nicholas Henwood - Holy Apostles, Leicester

Stuart Voce - Stocking Farm and Beaumont Leys

Cameron Wiltshire-Plant - Four Saints

MALAWI APPEAL

Following our recent Malawi Appeal, I can report that I have sent a cheque this week to Bishop Christopher for the sum of **£3900** for the work of the Mobile Clinics. This is a truly magnificent sum, raised in a fairly short period of time. A big “Thank you” to all who contributed.

David

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Wednesday 11 September

Josh Smalley of Great British Bake-Off fame and Leicester University's Chemistry Department will give a talk on baking and his many other interests.

7pm in St Mary's. This is a fundraising event organised by the Christmas Tree Festival team and will support the Place of Peace project at St Mary's and the Wishes for Kids charity.

Look out for details of ticket prices and how to book, to be announced soon.

Saturday 30 November and Sunday 1 December

The Knighton Christmas Tree Festival 2024

St Mary's. Saturday 10:00am-5:00pm. Sunday 12:30pm-5:00pm. Admission £2.50 (children free).

This year's local external charity is the Laura Centre.

Save the Date – Samaritans Dinner 2024

After the success of last year's evening dinner for the Leicester Samaritans, I have now booked and am arranging another evening on **Wednesday 13th November** at Leicester College. Details to follow later. Thank you to everyone for their support last year.

Molly Clarke

Christian Aid Week

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Christian Aid Week. The amounts raised were: Envelope drop off £218, donations in church £70 and e-envelope £500. If you have not yet made a donation but would like to, the e-envelope is still open and can be found at

<https://fundraise.christianaid.org.uk/envelope-2024/st-guthlacs-church-knighton>.

Lesley Meakin (Christian Aid Week Co-ordinator)

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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>

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**Celebrate the Launch of Just Pre-Loved
Enjoy refreshments, special offers and discount
shopping**



Flick through your wardrobe, rummage in your drawers and find those garments you no longer wear. Bring them to the party. You get a voucher and they get loved by someone new!

Go to our website for details on how Just Pre-Loved works

<https://justfairtrade.com/pre-loved-just>



Who knew you could have so much fun at an AGM!

Invite your friends.

Let us know you're coming; email

justshop@hotmail.co.uk

(we'd hate to run out of refreshments!)

OPEN HANDS APPEAL



Open Hands are running a 'Bare Necessities' appeal for new socks and pants! They are collecting these essentials for all ages, sizes and genders! You can either bring these to church or drop off your socks/pants at one of the local supermarket collection points e.g. London Rd Co-op. **Thank you!**

Minster Communities: Upcoming Open Zoom Q&A Sessions

The diocese will be running some open Q&A sessions over Zoom. These are open to anyone who is part of the church community and will be an opportunity for central diocesan staff to respond to your questions. Please find the time and zoom link below:

24 June, 7-8pm

<https://leccofe.zoom.us/j/92720265461?pwd=bDhHZmFuYWVWRMK1YzN2Fmd1BtUFVHUT09>

Tea and Talk evening for July ...

A Taste of Syria

Tuesday 9th July at 7pm

St Guthlac's Church, Holbrook Rd LE2 3LF



Jean Gabbar will be sharing her experiences of learning to cook the Arabic way after moving to Syria, including the successes, failures, memorable meals and her favourite dishes.

Do come along for the talk, to try some of the food and to socialise.