

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



Parish Church of St Guthlac
Knighton, Leicester LE2 3LF

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Sunday 18th August 2024
Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

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

The Collect and Readings for the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of 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.
Amen

1st Reading: 1 Kings 2.10-12; 3.3-14;

Psalms 111;

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5.15-20;

Gospel Reading: John 6.51-58

Prayers for the new School Year

Prayers for children and young people:

Based on [2 Timothy 1:7](#)

Lord God, we pray for all children, young people and students who return to school and study soon.

Give them minds that are eager to learn. Give them courage to ask good questions, confidence to take risks, and the discipline to focus and work.

We pray for supportive and positive friendships and for safety, in and out of the classroom. We pray for those who struggle with anxiety and fear, and all who find school and learning difficult - may they feel your perfect peace and love surround them, and give them the courage to get through each day.

We pray that learning this year is engaging, valuable, and exciting. Give all young people focus and direction, to get the best out of this time and opportunity.

Prayers for school staff

Based on [Galatians 5:22-23](#)

Lord God, we pray for teachers, school support staff, educators, and administrators as they begin the new school year. Thank you for the men and women who have dedicated their careers to teaching and leading.

We pray that all classrooms, school buildings and places of learning will be spaces where love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control flourish.

We pray for all teachers as they work to engage, enthuse and guide our young people. May they all have energy, creativity, insight and an abundance of compassion. Protect their mental and physical health as they work hard to shape these special young lives.

Please remember our own local schools:

- Nurseries and pre-schools, including St Mary's Pre-School in the Parish Centre and Willows Pre-school on the Overdale site;

- Overdale Infants and Junior Schools;
- Leicester Islamic Academy (London Rd);
- Leicester High School for Girls;
- Sir Jonathan North Girls College;
- The Lancaster Academy;
- and other schools further afield where our local young people study.

Prayers adapted from

<https://prayer.reframeministries.org/blog/prayers-for-the-start-of-a-new-school-year>



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 – **Ratcliffe 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

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

25 th August	Matins	David Hunt
1 st September	Eucharist	Revd Cecilia Adjadje
8 th September	All Age Worship	
15 th September	Eucharist	Revd Adrian Jones
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 #

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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	<u>https://www.stguthlac-knighton.co.uk</u>
St Mary's	<u>https://www.stmarysknighton.co.uk</u>

Minster Communities - Update & Conversation

Sunday 18th August 12.00 @ St Guthlac's

As part of the process of creating Minster Communities, our church has been asked to consider 9 aspects of our church-life. These aspects include thinking about our approach to everyday faith; our attitudes to creating new ways of worshiping; and how we engage with others outside the church. The PCC has looked at these and scored each element 0-7.

Come along and chat about progress in deciding the Minster Communities. Look at the church-life aspects and have a go at scoring them yourselves. We will add your scores to those of the PCC.

Thank you from Margaret



Thank you for the lovely gift of the bay tree, which is now gracing the front garden of my new home. I will always remember my friends at St. Guthlac's when I see the bush!

Here's a photo to show how happy it is in Tollerton.
Margaret

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

EcoTip for August:

Assist local wildlife during very hot weather. Provide hedgehogs with hedgehog biscuits (available at many pet stores and online) or dog biscuits (small/ crumbed) as their prey of slugs, snails and worms diminishes, and ensure a safe exit for them and other small mammals if you have a garden pond. Help garden birds by maintaining a filled bird bath and supplying supplementary food including black sunflower seeds, pinhead oatmeal, soaked sultanas, raisins, currants, mealworms, waxworms, and a nutritious seed mixture, when natural supplies become scarce.

More tips can be found at arochoa.org.uk/looking-after-wildlifein-the-heat/

Ride and Stride - Saturday 14th September: 10:00 - 18:00.

Once again St Guthlac's will be open for the annual Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust (LHCT) Ride and Stride event. The event encourages people to walk, cycle, scooter, ride and explore the local churches in the city and wider county. Along with all these churches we will be open to welcome visitors on the day. If you are able to volunteer an hour in the day to welcome visitors that would be greatly appreciated. There will be a sheet at the back of church for signing up. If you wish to explore the churches a detailed list of open churches is available on the LHCT website

<https://www.lhct.org.uk/ride-and-stride>. Sponsorship forms can also be found there or there will be some available at the back of church. If you have any questions please have a chat. *Fiona*

Josh Smalley



MY BAKE OFF JOURNEY

and beyond ...

7pm - Wednesday 18 September 2024

St Mary Magdalen Church, Brinsmead Road, Leicester LE2 3WD

Tickets £8 (18 and under free). Scan QR Code below:



Or use: www.tickettailor.com/events/stmarymagdalenchurchknighton/1301750

Ticket includes a free glass of wine (or soft drink) - and cake!

There will be a raffle

All proceeds to Wishes4Kids and St Mary's Community Garden

Summer Read



We hope you will join us in reading one or more books by Sally Page

The Book of Beginnings

and / or

The Keeper of Stories

The Book of Beginnings

Jo Sorsby is hiding from her past when she agrees to run her uncle's beloved stationery shop. When she meets Ruth, a vicar running from a secret, and Malcolm, a septuagenarian still finding himself, she suddenly realizes she isn't alone.

The Keeper of Stories

When Janice starts cleaning for Mrs B - a shrewd and tricky woman in her nineties - she meets someone who wants to hear her story. But Janice is clear: she is the keeper of stories, she doesn't have a story to tell. At least, not one she can share. Mrs B is no fool and knows there is more to Janice than meets the eye. What is she hiding? After all, doesn't everyone have a story to tell?

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 10th September at 7.00 (with tea & cakes) or at Holbrook Oasis at St Guthlac's on Wednesday 11th September at 1.30.