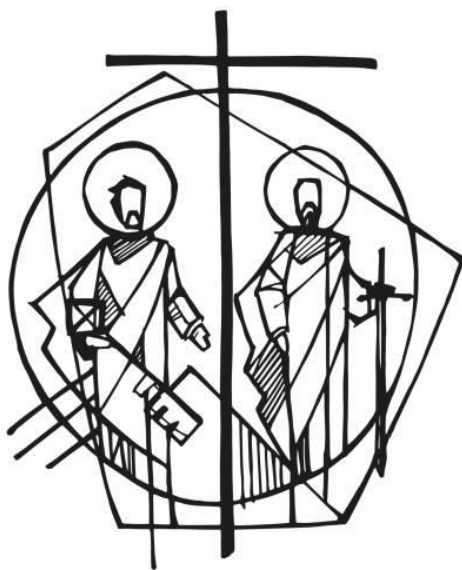


ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



Parish Church of St Guthlac
Knighton, Leicester LE2 3LF

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Sunday 29th June 2025
Peter & Paul
Second Sunday after Trinity

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

The Collect for Peter & Paul

Almighty God,
whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul
glorified you in their death as in their life:
grant that your Church,
inspired by their teaching and example,
and made one by your Spirit,
may ever stand firm upon the one foundation,
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

Readings for Benefice Eucharist

1st Reading: Romans 12.3-8;

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16.13-19

Praying for each other: Please pray for other members of our church community, and especially those whose surnames begin with U, V, W, X, Y and W. Pray for their encouragement, joyful peace and resilience in the face of challenges.

Praying for the Church: This week, with others across our Diocese, please pray for the people and leaders of the churches of St Luke's, Thurnby (with St Mary's, Stoughton and Living Hope, Thurmaston), St Catharine's, Houghton on the Hill, and Wigston All Saints & Wigston St Thomas's.

Praying for the World: Prayer for Peace

Almighty, all-merciful God,
through Christ Jesus you have taught us
to love one another,
to love our neighbours as ourselves,
and even to love our enemies.
In times of violence and fear,
let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts,
so that we may not be overcome with evil
but overcome evil with good.
Help us to see each person in the light
of the love and grace
you have shown us in Christ.
Put away the nightmares of terror
and awaken us to the dawning of your new creation.
Establish among us a future where peace reigns,
justice is done with mercy, and all are reconciled.
We ask these things in the name
and for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
We pray for peace in a broken world.
Amen.

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.

In particular please pray this week for **Katherine Swanson, Adri Cook, Dale McCullough** and **John Orme**.

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%.

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



The Season of 'Trinity' – After the drama and significance of Lent, Easter, and Pentecost, the Church's year now moves on to the quieter months of the season we call 'Trinity', or sometimes 'Ordinary Time'. It is the longest part of the liturgical calendar - this year there are 19 Sundays in Trinity, leading right up to All Saints Day at the start of November, and even later if you include the 'Sundays before Advent'!



This Trinity season is the time when we reflect on our life as the people of God, and how we are shaped by the words and actions of Jesus. This year our Gospel readings on Sundays continue the theme of '*Learning with Luke*'.

The liturgical colour for Trinity is green, a symbol of growth, and so in many churches you'll see that the altar or Communion table has

a green frontal cloth, and the ordained Minister may wear a green scarf and outer vestment (or 'chasuble'). *Adrian*

Many congratulations! This week we are sending our best wishes and many congratulations to the Revd Aphro McCullough who will be marking the 25th anniversary of her ordination as Deacon on 2nd July. We're so thankful to God for her gifts, her calling and all that she has done for her congregations over those years, and not least for us in Knighton! Many blessings to both Aphro and Dale (her staunch supporter!) Adrian

Our Benefice Service this Sunday, 29th June: The two sister churches in Knighton, St Mary Magdalen and St Guthlac, form one 'benefice' - an ancient term that reflects the bonds of history and shared experience between churches, as well as their shared clergy! Each has a building for worship, a church hall, a PCC and a distinctive character, but the two are joined by something like a family relationship and share many interests, concerns and even people! We alternate Communion services on Sundays, and offer a range of other types of worship, so that everyone can find something comfortable week by week.

When there are five Sundays in a month, then the two churches take it in turn to play host to a joint Eucharistic service for everyone - the distance between them being only 1.3 miles. This month it is the turn of St Guthlac's ... so do please join us at 10.30am on 29th, on Holbrook Road, for this special opportunity to worship together and to demonstrate the friendship and unity that flows from our shared faith and history, and that Jesus prayed for - "Holy Father ...that they may be one as we are one." (John 17.11) Adrian Eco Tip for JUNE: Join in with a nature and climate initiative.

St. Guthlac's Services

Sunday at 10.30am

6 th July	Eucharist	Revd Janet Gasper & Revd Aphro McCullough
13 th July	Morning Prayer	Fiona Wingate
20 th July	Eucharist	Revd Janet Gasper
27 th July	Morning Prayer	Revd Cecilia Adjadje
3 rd August	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 #

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 JUNE: Join in with a nature and climate initiative.

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. Joining in with wider initiatives also reminds us of the power and encouragement of being part of communities and taking action together. Churches Count on Nature, 30 Days Wild, and The Great Big Green Week all take place across June. Join an awareness-raising event or nature count as an individual, with your household or church. Find out more at caringforgodsacre.org.uk/churches-count-on-nature-faqs, wildlifetrusts.org/30-days-wild and greatbiggreenweek.com.

Craft Workshops

The Knighton Christmas Tree Festival Team plan to run a series of Craft Workshops during the year. These will take place once a month on Tuesdays from 10.30-12.30 in St. Mary's Church, Knighton.

The next workshop will be held on Tuesday 15th July.

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

Ordinations 2025

Please pray for all those soon to be ordained, and especially those to be ordained in the Diocese of Leicester this Petertide.

Among those being ordained Deacon this year are **Josh Crick de Boom** and **Michal Kmet**, both of whom spent time as part of St Mary's a few years ago as they explored their calling and gained a wider experience. The full Ember List is available at the back of the Church – do please take one and pray for our new deacons and priests.

*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.*

Pray also for their families, friends and all those who will support them. Pray for the communities where they will serve their curacy, for their training incumbents and context supervisors. Pray too for more vocations to all kinds of ministry as we are Shaped By God Together.

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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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4th July 2025

**Parish of the Resurrection, Leicester
Presents**

ROOTED

2025

**Theme: "Rooted in Christ, Growing in
purpose—finding God in Our Story"**

**An inspiring evening for young people
from 5: 30 PM to 8: 30 PM at
Weymouth St., Leicester LE4 6FN**

- Uplifting Worship by Holy Trinity Leicester
- Inspiring Keynote by Bishop Saju Muthalaly
- Small Group Discussions & Q&A
- Fellowship & Refreshments

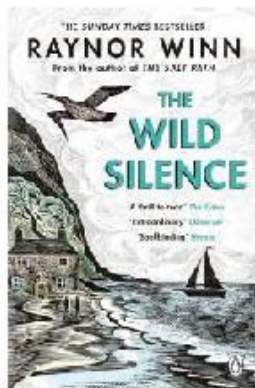
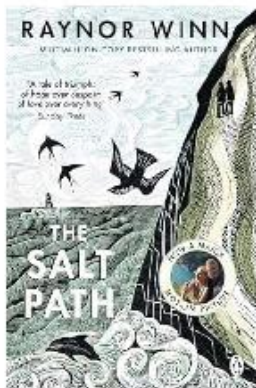


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Hosted by: Parish of the Resurrection, Leicester

Free Parking on the Street and Free Entry

St Guthlac's Summer Read



Join us in reading one or more books by Raynor Winn

The Salt Path

Just days after Raynor learns that Moth, her husband of 32 years, is terminally ill, their home is taken away and they lose their livelihood. With nothing left and little time, they make the impulsive decision to walk the 630 miles of the sea-swept South West Coast Path, from Somerset to Dorset, via Devon and Cornwall. Carrying only the essentials for survival on their backs, they live wild in a remarkable journey.

The Wild Silence

But all journeys must end and when the couple return to civilisation they find that four walls feel like a prison, cutting them off from the sea and sky that sustained them. So when the chance to rewild an old Cornish farm comes their way, they grasp it, hoping they'll reconnect with the natural world and find themselves once again on its path . . .

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 16th September at 7.00 (with tea & cakes)