ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS





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

The Collect and Readings for the Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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: Hosea 11.1-11;

Psalm 107.1-9,43;

2nd Reading: Colossians 3.1-11; **Gospel Reading:** Luke 12.13-21

Praying for each other: Please continue to pray for other members of our congregations, and especially this month for all those whose surnames fall at the start of the alphabet, starting with the letters E, F, G and H. Pray that the summer will be a time of rest and refreshment for everyone.

Praying for the World: Please give thanks that in the face of such complex and difficult challenges in the world, God is still strong and good, and that his Kingdom will come. Pray for peace, justice and hope across all countries and all peoples, and a renewed sense of commitment to working together for the good of all.

Praying for the Church: Please ask God to give all Christians a heart of penitence for past wrongs, but also hopefulness as we

remember God's readiness to forgive and transform. Pray that the Church everywhere may be both attentive and responsive to all that the Spirit of God is saying to us and doing amongst us.

Praying for those who suffer in body, mind or spirit:

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured or disabled, that they may be made whole. Grant to all who are lonely, anxious or depressed a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence. Mend broken relationships, and restore to those in distress soundness of mind and serenity of spirit. Sustain and support those who seek your guidance and lift up all who are brought low by the trials of this life. Grant to the dying, peace and your presence, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved. Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world. Hear us, Lord of life. Amen.

In particular please pray this week for **Katherine Swanson**, **Margaret Roff**, **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, especially **Revd. Jane Sharpe**, 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 – **Powys Gardens.**

For further prayer requests which can be included in the weekly prayer list or anonymized and prayed for in private, please contact Revd Adrian <u>adrian.jones@zoho.com</u> or Jane <u>administrator@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk</u>

Holidays - Over the summer weeks the members of the clergy team will be taking holidays at various points. If you have an urgent pastoral need then please call other members of the team if one of us is not able to respond. Thank you!

St. Guthlac's Services

Sunday at 10.30am

10th August Matins David Hunt

17th August Eucharist Revd Cecilia Adjadje

24th August Morning Prayer Fiona Wingate

31st August Benefice Service at St. Mary's

NO SERVICE AT ST. GUTHLAC'S

7th September Eucharist

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.

<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.

Virtual Compline 8.00pm Wednesday evenings

There will be **NO Compline on Wednesday 13th August**There will be virtual Compline services on all other Wednesdays in
August at 8.00 as usual.

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 #

Gardening Party: Sunday 3rd August 2 - 4pm. You are invited to join us for a gardening party to do a bit of tidying up of the garden, beds and the hedge. Please do come along even if only for a chat and some company. If you're able please could you bring some tools with you for a bit of weeding of the beds. We'll keep an eye on the forecast and let you know if the plan changes. Look forward to seeing you there. Fiona

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: Private gardens, churchyards and other outdoor spaces can make a significant contribution to nature. We can take action to care for plants, wildlife and soil in the places where we live and around our churches. Caring for the earth was the first instruction God gave to humans. This doesn't mean we all need to be professional gardeners, but perhaps try to learn one new thing this month that you can do for a garden space. Read more about nature-friendly gardening at www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2024/04/ environmentally-friendly-gardening-10-top- tips.

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FOR THE NEWSLETTER: Please send material to be included in the next newsletter by noon on 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

Carisbrooke Road Triangle Flower Beds - Fundraising Event

The beds are planted and maintained by local volunteers – all monies collected are in aid of new plants and compost.

Thursday 14th August 2025 (3:00 to 5:30)

Three open gardens (short walking distance apart)

Entry (cash donations) at 166 Knighton Church Road

Tea and home-made cake available (cash only).



Frances 099 07896706882

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

Ride and Stride - Saturday 13th September - Volunteers to welcome visitors

Once again we're approaching the second Saturday in September when Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust's annual Ride and Stride event takes place. Once again St Guthlac's plans to open to welcome riders, striders and general visitors on the day from 10:00 to 18:00 (hopefully). To allow this to happen we're looking for volunteers to welcome these visitors. If you're able to spare an hour or more on the day please do sign up on the rota at the back of church. Many thanks. Fiona

Journey in Faith Course

What is the Journey in Faith Course?

A 3 term course that provides the time and space for people to:

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

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.

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."



Course Details

Introductory Session

Saturday 13th September 9.30-12.30 at St Martin's House

Course Venues

Monday evening Tuesday evening Wednesday evening Ellistown

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Wednesday evening Knighton, Leicester



Please consider a donation of £40 per term to cover course costs

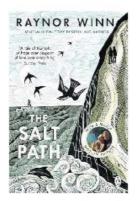
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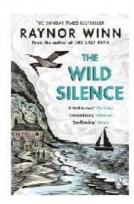
For more information email: liz.rawlings@leicestercofe.org

To book a place: visit the Hub or email mmbookings@leicestercofe.org

stating your preferred venue

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.

These books have been in the press and on social media recently. There will be an opportunity to meet to discuss the books and the role of the media on Tuesday 16th September at 7.00 (with tea & cakes)