

# St Mary Magdalen Church of England, Knighton

Vicar - Revd Adrian Jones
Curate - Revd Neil Bullen

12th November 2017 Remembrance Sunday

# **Welcome to our Sunday Services**

A warm welcome to everyone joining us at St Mary Magdalen this week, especially if you are here for the first time or visiting.

- Our worship follows the printed order of service and the readings and hymns are on an additional sheet. Large print versions are available from the sidespersons (the welcomers at the door).
- If you are using a hearing aid, please switch it to the T position so as to make best use of the hearing loop system.
- It is traditional to stand for the hymns and some of the prayers and readings, but if this is difficult for you then please do remain seated and comfortable.
- In the entrance area are toilets, and there is a crèche area at the back of the church.
- During the service there are activities in the entrance area for children of all ages, at Sunday Club.
- As part of each service we share Communion together and everyone
  is invited to come forwards to receive bread and wine as we
  remember the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. If you would prefer to come
  for a blessing then simply carry the service booklet with you.
- At 10.00am, non-alcoholic communion wine is available on request in the Lady Chapel (to the left) and gluten free wafers on request at the main Communion rail.

Please talk to the sidespersons if you have any other questions and do please stay after the service for tea or coffee and introduce yourself to some of us.

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#### **Diary for the Week**

Sunday 12th November Remembrance Sunday	8.00am 10.00am 5.00pm	Eucharist Sung Eucharist with Act of Remembrance Remembrance Service (St Guthlacs)
Monday 13th November	7.30pm	Bell Ringing
Tuesday 14th November	9.30am	Eucharist
Wednesday 15th November Parish Office Closed	1.00pm	Tiny Tots (Narthex & Church)
Thursday 16th November	9.30am 10.00am	Eucharist at St Guthlac's church Thursday Club (Centre)
Friday 17th November		
Saturday 18th November	9.30am	Peal of Bells
Sunday 19th November Building the Kingdom	8.00am 10.00am	Eucharist Sung Eucharist

The next Service for Healing, with Communion will be at 11.00 am on **Friday 24th November** at 11am.

**NEIL BULLEN -** Neil our curate has returned from his successful placement at Peterborough Cathedral, and today is presiding at the 8am Eucharist at St Mary's and the 10.30am Eucharist at St Guthlac's.

# The Liturgy of the Word, Sunday 12th November 2017

'Our Bible readings today are:

Isaiah 2.1-5 '...let us walk in the light of the Lord! '

Colossians 3.12-17 'forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you ... '
John 15.9-17 '... As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you ....'

**ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL**: We invite you to purchase poppies in the Narthex before the 10am Remembrance Service on **Sunday 12th November.** A variety of poppies will be available.

**CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES** These are for children in Eastern Europe and need to be in Church by **today**. Further information available from Bet Wood.

### REMEMBRANCE: THOUGHTS FROM HOME TODAY Sunday 12th Nov.

5pm at St. Guthlac's, continuing our series of words and music to mark each year of the Great War. This year we focus on those left behind and the letters they wrote to the men at the Front. With Revd. Adrian Jones & the benefice choir and friends. All Welcome



"LET STEEPLE BELLS BE SWUNGEN...." - A special peal will be rung with the bells of St Mary's on Saturday 18th November, beginning at 9.30am. The ringing band are members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths, a group which promotes and practices the highest standards in ringing bells and is based at St Martin in the Fields, Trafalgar Square. Local members from Sapcote are taking part in the annual Peals Weekend, which usually includes over 50 peals in the UK, USA and Australia, and have asked if St Mary's tower could be one of their ringing venues. It is a privilege to welcome them and to play 'host' to this special peal that will last around 2 hours and 40 minutes - in doing so we play a small part in maintaining this ancient Christian tradition. Listen out next Saturday!

**LIGHTS TO REMEMBER** Marie Curie invites you to their Lights to Remember Carol Service at Oadby Baptist Church on **Sunday 26th November**, 6.30pm.

**MESSY CHURCH** The next Messy Church will be on **Friday 1st December** at Stoneygate Baptist Church from 3.15pm until 5.45pm. A hot meal will be served.

#### PLANTING FOR TOMORROW: FUTURE PLANS FOR ST MARY'S

2018 will be a significant year in the life of St Mary's, as we shape our plans for the future and start 'planting for tomorrow'. It is vitally important though that we are led in this by God's Spirit and not just by our own bright ideas!

Therefore, as well as using our prayer cards, I'd like to invite you to join me at two regular opportunities for quiet prayer together, between All Saints (1st November) and Advent Sunday (3rd December):

- •Tuesday mornings from 9.15-9.30am, just before the regular Communion service, and
- •Sunday mornings from 9.30-9.45am, before the main service, both in the Lady Chapel.

We will also meet together in church to pray for God's guidance in the afternoon and evening of Thursday 30th November, at 2pm and at 7.30pm, each time for an hour or so.

Do please come and pray at some point if you can - many Christians can testify to the way in which God does provide clearer understanding and direction when we pray and seek to know his purpose for us. The more of us that pray, the better understanding of the future we will get. Adrian

**RENEWAL UPDATE** Replies are still coming in, though rather more slowly now. We have had 56 responses (15 from couples); 4 new donors; 28 promises to continue giving at their current rate; promised annual increase, with gift aid, £3745; donations, also including gift aid, £2880. There is a fuller account on the notice board at the back of church. The red box is still there. Many thanks. LP

**THANK YOU** to everyone at St Mary's and St Guthlac's for the cards, good wishes, kind messages and loving support on my 80th birthday. I really appreciated it. Flick

**JOHN FIDOE** who has been a faithful communicant at St Mary's for over 60 years, has a new address: 105 NURSERY ROAD, NORTH ANSTON, SHEFFIELD S25 4BT.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR COFFEE AFTER 10AM SERVICE: many thanks for all your feedback about the trialling of other options for serving coffee after the 10am Sunday service. I'll be reporting back to the PCC on 21st November and hope to have more to say after that. Adrian

#### SOUTHERN EDGE MISSION PARTNERSHIP - URGENT NEED FOR A

**TREASURER.** Our Mission Partnership (the group of local Anglican churches working together) is in urgent need of a Treasurer. The Convenor of SEMP, John Raven, writes "We really need someone qualified to produce budgets and the annual Accounts, and to do the more straightforward work of liaising with the Bank and issuing cheques." If you think you could support our partnership of churches in this way, or know someone else who could, then do please let me know. Adrian

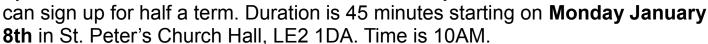
**DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES** We are hoping to sing carols at Ashlands Residential Home on **Wednesday 13th December** at 2.30pm and at St Georges on **Friday 15th December** also at 2.30pm. Both homes are in Ratcliffe Road. Your support at these two annual events is always very much appreciated. Thank you. Doreen White.

**CAROL CONCERT** in support of Menphys. **Friday 8th December**. 7.15pm at De Montfort Hall. Tickets are £9 and are available from De Montfort Hall. Always a very enjoyable evening. Please see notice on the board at the back of Church for further details.

**CINDERELLA** The pantomime at the Guildhall this year is Cinderella and will be performed by the Herrick Players. It's on **Saturday 9th December** at 6.00pm and **Sunday 10th December** at 4.00pm and 7.30pm, and **Monday 11th December** at 7.30pm. Adults £11 and 16 and under £8.50. tickets available from the Guildhall.

#### **CALLING MINI MUSICIANS!**

If your child is between 2 and 5 years of age and you would like them to be introduced to learning music in a comfortable and relaxed learning environment...why not try "Mini Musicians"? First lesson is free and then you



Contact Ellie on 07961297228 or Paolo on 07919546320, speak to Angelica on Sunday mornings who an tell you more.

'REAL ADVENT CALENDARS': Did you know that 36% of 5-7 year olds don't know that Christmas is when Jesus was born?! Get the message across by ordering a 'Real Advent Calendar' from Alison Roche, for your family, grandchild, neighbour etc containing Fairtrade chocolate and a booklet telling the real Christmas story. Alison has a sample calendar and booklet for you to look at. Please sign the list on the notice board at the back of church today to guarantee delivery the Sunday before Advent. The calendars cost 3.99 each.

#### Wisdom from the World Church

"The perseverance of small, powerless drops of water dripping on the same rock, in the same place, ends by breaking the rock. In the same way, the power of faith with perseverance can break walls of hatred, of rejection, and of violent injustice."

Archbishop Emeritus Elias Chacour, Melkite Church: Palestinian Christian and voice for non-violent peace and justice in the Middle East.

**CAR PARKING** On Sunday mornings, please do not park in front of the church or on the church path unless you need to do so for mobility reasons. Also, please do not block the paths.

**OFFICE HOURS** Please note that the office is open from 9.30am until 2.30pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

**MEMORY CAFÉ** If you or a member of your family have issues with dementia, the Alzheimer's Society run Memory Cafes. They happen at St Thomas More Community Rooms every 4th Wednesday from 1.30pm - 3.30pm and at St Guthlac's Church on every 2nd Friday also from 1.30pm - 3.30pm.

**GIVING SCHEME** Regular giving can be made either by weekly envelope, periodic cheque or bank standing order. Details of the Scheme can be obtained from Lorna Pollard, Giving Scheme Secretary: telephone 0116 2704272 or e-mail: stmarysknighton.giving@gmail.com If you are a tax payer and gift aid your giving, our Church can claim an additional 25%.

**CHEQUES FOR ST MARY'S** Please note that any cheques for St Mary's must be made out to Knighton PCC.

Please send items for inclusion in the diary or notice sheet to James Gutteridge by **Thursday 12.00 noon**. Contact James on office@knightonparish.co.uk or 0116 2702705. Knighton Parish Office, Church Lane, Knighton, Leicester LE2 3WG



#### St Mary Magdalen, Knighton Autumn 2017

## **The Greatest Story Ever Told**

discovering the story of God's purpose, through the whole Bible.

You are invited to join us at our Sunday morning services (8am and 10am) this autumn as we explore the big picture of the Bible, and consider together how God's good purpose for us has been revealed in The Greatest Story Ever Told.

10th September Opening up The Greatest Story Ever Told

17th September Chapter 1: **The King of Creation** 

24th September Chapter 2: **Rebellion in the Kingdom** 

1st October All Good Gifts Around Us: All Age Harvest Festival Seeds for Tomorrow: Our Annual Renewal of Giving

15th October Chapter 3: **The King chooses a People** 22nd October Chapter 4: **A Land for the King's People** 

29th October Chapter 5: **The Coming of the King** 

5th November Saints and Sparklers: All Age Worship

12th November Remembrance Sunday

19th November Chapter 6: **Building the Kingdom** 26th November Chapter 7: **The Return of the King** 

"The whole point of Christianity is that it offers a story which is the story of the whole world."

Bishop Tom Wright



#### Please pray.....

"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people..." 1 Timothy 2.1

Praying for the Parish: This week please pray for all those who live in Ratcliffe Road, Sackville Gardens, College Court, Queens Road, Eton Close, Harrow Place.

We pray for those who are unwell at the moment.

Gracious God, who journeys alongside us when we are sick, anxious or troubled, we pray today for

#### Alison Prior John Fidoe David Griffin

May they know the power of your healing love, at work in body, mind and spirit. In the name of Christ the healer, hear us now. Amen

Please pray for those with ongoing illness, and for those whose names are on the prayer board in the Requiem Chapel.

Give thanks for those who have been healed and restored.

We remember those who have died recently and pray for their families and friends:

# Madge Whitehead Brian Woods

**Angela Hefford** 

Please advise Adrian or Neil of anyone who needs to be added to our prayer list.