



# St Mary Magdalen Church of England, Knighton

Vicar - Revd Adrian Jones  
Curate - Revd Neil Bullen

3rd September 2017  
12th Sunday after Trinity

## 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. As the main 10am service is for all ages, there is no Sunday Club for the children this week.

As part of the 8.00am and 11.30am services 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.

Please talk to the sidespersons if you have any other questions and do please stay after the 10.00 am service for tea or coffee and introduce yourself to some of us.

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## Diary for the Week

<b>Sunday 3rd September</b> 12th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am Eucharist 10.00am All-Age Service 11.30am Eucharist
Monday 4th September	7.30pm Bell Ringing
Tuesday 5th September	9.30am Eucharist 2.30pm MU Prayer & Fellowship (Narthex) 7.30pm PCC Meeting (Narthex)
Wednesday 6th September Parish Office Closed	1.00pm Tiny Tots (Narthex & Church)
Thursday 7th September	9.30am Eucharist at St Guthlac's church 10.00am Thursday Club (Centre)
Friday 8th September	
Saturday 9th September	9.00am - 5.00pm Ride & Stride (Church)
<b>Sunday 10th September</b> 13th Sunday after Trinity The Story of Salvation	8.00am Eucharist 10.00am Sung Eucharist

The first Sunday in October (1st) will be our All Age Harvest Service "All Good Gifts Around Us". We hope the whole Church family will gather for the Harvest Festival - please note there will be no 11.30am Eucharist that morning.

The next Service for Healing, with Communion will be at 11.00 am on **Friday 29th September**.

**NEIL ON HOLIDAY** Please note that Neil will be on annual leave from Wednesday 6th Sept until Tuesday 19th Sept inclusive. During this period please direct any enquiries to Adrian or to James in the parish office.

### **The Liturgy of the Word, Sunday 3rd September 2017**

The Bible readings set for our 8am and 11.30am services today are:

Jeremiah 15.15-21 '**..I will deliver you....** '

Romans 12. 9-end '**Bless those who persecute you.....**'

Matthew 16. 21-end '**...what will they give?....**'

The sermon is titled: '**The Kingdom of God is a bizarre world.....**'

The Bible readings for our All Age Worship are:

**Psalm 100**

**Matthew 6.25-34**

**REVD RICHARD BONNEY:** Margaret and all the family would like to thank everyone for their kind and supportive letters, cards and messages sent recently and over the last months of Richard's illness. They have been a great strength to us all. Please continue to hold us in your prayers as we come to terms with life without the big personality which was Richard.

**THANKS** Neil would like to thank everyone who attended the Tanzania Presentation. Over 40 people attended and a retiring collection raised over £160 towards the Diocesan Tanzania link. For those who were unable to attend, Neil hopes to repeat the presentation later in the year.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE** A Memorial Service for Mary Sarjeant is being held on **Monday 11th September** at 12.30 p.m. in St. Mary's Church. Mary was a long serving member of Mothers Union, and achieved her 50 years' membership shortly after moving to be near her son, Peter, in Devon earlier this year. Peter extends an invitation to attend the service, which will be followed by a buffet.

**MOTHERS UNION** St. Anne's Branch have invited us to their Annual Eucharist Service on **Tuesday 12th September** in the Church at 2.00 p.m. Should any members wish to attend who require transport, please contact Anne or Lorna.

**COFFEE MORNING** Do come and join us at our Coffee Morning in church on **Saturday 16th September** from 10 am until 12 noon. There'll be various stalls, including plants, cakes and preserves, books and a raffle. Everyone very welcome.

**HARVEST TEA: Saturday 30th September:** tickets are now available, at a cost of £6 per person or £12 for a family, from Cora Paul (3678954) or Judi Stone (2881306) 4.30pm for 5pm at the Parish Centre, Activities for children Menu: Jacket Potatoes with various fillings and salad / Dessert / Wine / Fruit juice / Tea / Coffee

**VERY MANY THANKS** to all those who contributed time, energy and ideas to the Busy Bees Holiday Club over the last week. With almost 40 children a day and a whole range of crafts, storytelling, music and games, it was a splendid way to share a simple Christian message through the story of Joseph and his brothers. Adrian

**THANKS** My sincere thanks to all who sent lovely cards, messages and gave encouraging support during my prolonged stay in hospital. Hope to return very soon! Margarete 🎵🎵🎵🎵😊

**CHILDREN'S SOCIETY ANNUAL BOX OPENING.** Please bring your boxes to 3 The Cedars, 454 Welford Road on **Friday 8th September** between 12 noon and 2.30 pm. Thank you. Linda Billam Tel: 2700814

**PARISH QUIET DAY AT THE ROSMINI CENTRE  
SATURDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER**

The list of those going to the Rosmini Centre will be removed from Church today. If you have not done so, could those going please let me have their £10 cost next Sunday. Thank you. Doreen White.

**Ride & Stride**

**Saturday 9th September**

St Mary's will be open as usual to welcome cyclists and walkers between 10.00am and 4.00pm. There is a sign-up list at the back of Church and we are seeking volunteers to meet and greet visitors. There are five 1-hour slots to be supervised. (We recommend a minimum of two people per slot.)

**OPENING THE CHURCH:** The Wardens and clergy have agreed that we should try to keep the church building open to visitors and passers-by more often and would like to run a trial, opening the Church building on Tuesdays, between 9am and 4pm, on **12th, 19th and 26th September**. Whilst open we will need volunteers, preferably two at a time, to talk to visitors and keep an eye on things. If you would like to help us in this trial then do please sign up on the sheets pinned to the blue notice board at the back of church.

**From Bishop Martyn's blog.....**

I'm writing this from Wyoming, USA. I'm here with four other bishops from India and Tanzania. The 'big skies' of this part of the US (one of the most sparsely populated States in the US) and the wonderful hospitality are proving an excellent environment for mutual learning. I hope to write several blog posts over the coming days. We are meeting in the context of terrible flooding in other parts of the US and in India. Many lives have been lost and our joint prayers have focused on those grieving and suffering. Local churches here have been collecting money to support those who have lost so much. We are also discussing the various issues we face in our different contexts. My future blog posts will focus on our discussions around mental health, the environment and church planting. We are also meeting with Native Americans from the Reservation in Wyoming, and reflecting together on how different cultural groups can live well together. It has been good to be able to share positive examples from Leicester, including our renewed emphasis on interfaith work and work with black, Asian and minority ethnic Christians (I am looking forward to welcoming Rev'd Lusa Nsenga-Ngoy to lead this work in our diocese shortly after my return to the UK). I am reminded that we need each other with all our cultural differences. We may not agree on everything, but our diversity is a gift from God and our unity in Jesus Christ is expressed as we pray and learn together.

## MEMORY CAFES: KNIGHTON & HOLBROOK

These informal cafes are for people, living at home, with dementia and their families/carers. The cafes provide an opportunity to meet up, share experiences and learn in a relaxed, socially supportive and friendly environment.

Refreshments are provided. The cafes are supported by the Alzheimer's Society and run at St Guthlac's church and St Thomas More Community Rooms.

If you know someone who would be helped by these cafes please let them know that the next session will be:

**Friday 8th September** 1.30pm at St Guthlac's  
'What if'...' session when Nita Devadhai will discuss what to do when problems arise.

For further information please call **Nita Devabhai on 0116 231 6926**



**RED POPPY SEEDS NEEDED** If you have any spare red poppy seeds that we can use as part of the Armistice centenary, please bring them to church and hand them to either Ida Stanyer or Sue Holligan. Thank you.

## AGE UK THORNCROFT LUNCHEON CLUB

Every **Wednesday** 12:00 - 2:00

Come and enjoy a 2 course hot meal, a drink and a friendly chat for £4.50 at our new luncheon club

At Age UK Leicester Shire & Rutland  
Thorncroft  
244 London Road  
Leicester  
LE2 1RH

To book a place contact the Care Services Team on **0116 222 0572**

Age UK are also holding a free information and taster day on Friday 29 Sept 10am - 3pm at Clarence House, 46 Humberstone Gate, LE1 3PJ entitled 'Loving Later Life'.

## **FILM OF INTEREST TO CHRISTIANS**

"Summer in the Forest"(PG) is a delightful film which follows a few adults with learning difficulties at two of Jean Vanier's L'Arche communities - one near a forest in a suburb of Paris and one in Bethlehem.

The film will be showing at Leicester's Phoenix cinema on:

**Fri. 1st September at 3.50pm, Sat. 2nd September at 12.45pm, Sun. 3rd September at 5pm and Mon. 4th September at 6.15pm**

Jean Vanier was the inspiration behind 151 L'Arche communities which now exist spread over 5 continents. He is the author of several Christian books and winner of the 2015 Templeton prize. Now in his eighties he appears in the film relating to some of the residents and reflecting on the joy of living amongst such people.

"Breathtakingly beautiful...the keynote is joy" - **The Guardian**

"The sheer humanity absolutely shines through. Viewing should be compulsory" - **Daily Mail**

**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.

**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.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:office@knightonparish.co.uk) or 0116 2702705. Knighton Parish Office, Church Lane, Knighton, Leicester LE2 3WG

## CHANGES TO MID-WEEK SERVICES

Below is a copy of my recent letter to members of our Friday congregation. Please do talk to me about these changes if you would like to. Adrian.



St Mary Magdalen Church  
Knighton



18<sup>th</sup> August 2017

Dear Friends from the Friday Eucharist,

I write to tell you that the Church Wardens and I met recently to discuss the pattern of midweek services across the two parishes of the benefice, and we have reluctantly come to the conclusion that it is now too difficult for our clergy to support three services each week, one at St Guthlac's on a Thursday morning and the two at St Mary's on Tuesday and Friday. With regret we have decided that we need to try a new pattern of services that does not include a Friday Eucharist most weeks. **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September** will therefore be the last ordinary Friday Eucharist.

I know that this will be a profound disappointment to you but I hope that you will understand we have not reached this conclusion lightly, and that you may be able to come to one of the other midweek services instead if this suits you.

The Wardens and I were also in agreement, however, that the monthly healing and requiem services should be continued in a combined form, including the Eucharist, on the last Friday of each month. The first of these new Services for Healing will be on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 11am**, and I hope that you will be able to come. We will be publicising the service more widely too, since others may well find it helpful.

We will take the opportunity of the last ordinary service on 1<sup>st</sup> September to give thanks for all that God has done across the years through this regular time of worship. In the meantime please do talk to me more about this change if you would find it helpful.

Yours in friendship and in Christ's service,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adrian". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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# The Edge Project

Over the last year the project has been part of some really exciting opportunities for young people...we continued to grow and develop our first Intentional Christian Community, through which 3 young people were Baptised and 6 young people Confirmed.

The development of our Prayer Spaces in school, and Andy Marriott taking more responsibility and leading on the Youth Café project!

Over this next year we aim to further develop the Intentional Christian Communities for young people, provide opportunities for both young people and volunteers to grow and develop, and to meet and grow relationships with young people as we continue to share our love for the Gospel and young people through our ministry at The Edge Project!

Thank you for your continued support, prayers and giving which enables us to do the work that we do!

Ali Simpson-Smith

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Pray for the young people as they start a new school year

Pray for the sessions we deliver and the young people who we meet with as we start back up after the summer break

Pray for the continued development of our youth ministry



Pray for the workers and the members of the committee that they continue to be led by the Spirit

Pray for the young people that we meet with, that they come to know God through a relationship with the workers of the project

Pray that God continues to provide opportunities to share the Gospel in ways that are both relevant and exciting!



**All Age Worship at  
St Mary Magdalen Church, Knighton  
Autumn 2017**

3<sup>rd</sup> September - 10am,  
*"Celebrating Summer!"*  
together to look back and share.

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October - 10am  
*"All Good Gifts Around Us"*  
Harvest Festival for Everyone.

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November - 10am  
*"Saints and Sparklers"*  
Worship for All Saints Day  
and Bonfire Night.

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - 10am  
*"Hurry Up and Slow Down!"*  
All Age Worship for Advent Sunday.

Look out for details of our  
Christmas events!



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## **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**.

10 <sup>th</sup> September	Opening up <b>The Greatest Story Ever Told</b>
17 <sup>th</sup> September	Chapter 1: <b>The King of Creation</b>
24 <sup>th</sup> September	Chapter 2: <b>Rebellion in the Kingdom</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> October	All Good Gifts Around Us: All Age Harvest Festival
8 <sup>th</sup> October	Seeds for Tomorrow: Our Annual Renewal of Giving
15 <sup>th</sup> October	Chapter 3: <b>The King chooses a People</b>
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Chapter 4: <b>A Land for the King's People</b>
29 <sup>th</sup> October	Chapter 5: <b>The Coming of the King</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> November	Saints and Sparklers: All Age Worship
12 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Sunday
19 <sup>th</sup> November	Chapter 6: <b>Building the Kingdom</b>
26 <sup>th</sup> November	Chapter 7: <b>The Return of the King</b>

“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 Heddington Way, Ramsbury Road, Roehampton Drive, Heddington Close, Baldwin Road.

We give thanks to God for the wedding of David and Tracey Prescod (12th August) and for the baptism of Cordelia Tessa Appleton (13th August).

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      Judy Maynard      John Astles**

*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:

**Dianne Tranter  
Elsie Whiting  
John Dales**

**Revd Richard Bonney  
Baby Daryl Williams**



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