

# St Mary Magdalen Church Church of England, Knighton

# **Sunday 11th August 2019 8th Sunday after Trinity**

Service leader and preacher (8am): Rev'd Janet Gasper Service Leader and Preacher (10am): Rev'd Aphro McCullough

### Welcome to our services today

A warm welcome to everyone joining us at St Mary Magdalen this week, especially if you are here for the first time or visiting. On the next page of this newsletter you'll find all the essential information you might need for this morning's service.



## Come to a wedding

Our daughter, Abigail, and her fiancé, James, will be getting married here at St Mary's on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August at 1.00 pm.

Many of you have known Abi for most of her life and we should be delighted if you would join us in church on this special occasion.

Beverley and Steve Jarrom

#### **ABOUT OUR SERVICES**

- 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 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.
- You are welcome to join Aphro for a short time of prayer before the main service: 9.30-9.45am at the front of the Lady Chapel (the chapel on the left).
- 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.

## **Listening to God's Word**

Our Bible readings today are:

Genesis 15.1-6 and Luke 12.32-40

Today's theme is: "Treasure"

#### **DIARY FOR THE WEEK**

<b>Sunday 11th August</b> 8th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am Eucharist  10.00am Sung Eucharist
Monday 12th August	7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice
Tuesday 13th August	9.30am Eucharist, St Mary's
Wednesday 14th August	7.30pm Choir Rehearsal (St Mary's)
Thursday 15th August	9.30am Eucharist, St Guthlac's
Friday 16th August  Parish Office Closed	5.00pm- Wedding rehearsal 6.00pm
Saturday 17th August	1.00pm Wedding of Abi Jarrom and James Billingham
<b>Sunday 18th August</b> 9th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am Eucharist  10.00am Morning Worship

The next monthly service of Prayer for Healing with Communion will be held on **Friday 30th August** at 11am.

Adrian and family are on holiday this week - any urgent enquiries to James in the Office, or to Matthew please.

Please note that the Parish Office is closed on **Friday 16th August**.

**MOTHERS' UNION** If you would like to have a Mothers' Union diary for 2020 please tell me or sign the list in the narthex. I shall be ordering them from MSH soon. Lorna P

**CHURCH MAGAZINE DELIVERERS POLITE REMINDER** Please let me have any outstanding subscription monies asap please. With thanks, Bernard.

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

#### **InSPIRE**d

### The campaign to save our spire

#### InSpired - our appeal for the spire

Many thanks to all of you who have placed orders for the special Christmas card. The response has exceeded expectations and will make a very valuable contribution to the appeal. We can now go ahead with our initial order. If you missed this opportunity, we'll make sure that we buy extra for purchase later.

The Spire Group is continuing to work on an exciting programme of events which we hope will attract people from all over the community. The Christmas Tree Festival in December promises to be really spectacular.

Please tell your friends and neighbours about all our events as they are announced.



One for your diaries now: there will be a curry night at Cuisine of India in Wigston at 7.00 on Monday 21 October. Tickets, for an excellent meal with a range of starters, main courses and ice cream, will be £16. There will be quizzes and a raffle. Tickets will go on sale shortly.

We are still looking for volunteers to help us in a couple of important areas:

- Is there anyone who could help design a logo and marketing literature for the appeal? We need something simple, not necessarily sophisticated but effective, which can be used for all events and on the web. - Knighton Open Gardens is one of our biggest planned events, and we hope to run it next June. It offers the prospect of lots of fun and of course the potential to generate a lot of money for the appeal. But we need a small team to pull it together.

If you think you might be interested in one of these areas, please let one of the Spire Fund-raising Group know.

We are: Nigel Siesage, Adrian Jones, Sue Holligan, Sian Howard, Lorna Kirk, Michael Kirk.

#### **Donations for the Spire Fund**

We have already received some very generous donations. Cheques for the Spire should be made out to Knighton PCC, but make it clear that they are for the Spire, possibly by writing 'Spire Fund' on the back of the cheque.

If you already give to the church with Gift Aid, it will be possible to claim it on spire donations. Please speak to Lorna Pollard for advice if you have any questions about this.

Also, there are **Spire Fund Appeal envelopes** available for you to use in the pews. If you are a tax payer and complete the envelope, your gift will increase by 25%.

Many thanks Nigel **STRIDING FOR THE SPIRE** Flick will be undertaking the sponsored Historic Churches walk once more on 14th September and welcomes sponsors. Half the money raised comes back to St Mary's.

**MESSAGE FROM REVD CHLOE** Chloe and Gwion send their love to everyone who attended Bill's funeral service at St Marys on Wednesday 31st July. They appreciated seeing all the familiar faces and were sorry not to be able to speak due to limited time in getting to the crematorium.

**MODEL RAILWAY EXHIBITION** – St. Margaret's Church, Leicester Saturday 17 August - Sunday 18 August 10:30am - 5:00pm The Leicester Model Railway Group is celebrating its 70th Anniversary. The exhibition will be in the church and in the Vestry Hall. Admission is by donation – £3.00 is recommended, and refreshments will be available. Do come along and enjoy what is sure to be a very happy experience for all.

SICILY TOUR led by Revd Kevin Ashby ~ August 26th – September 3rd 2019 There are still places on this tour which includes... a trip by coach up Mt Etna, the towns of Taormina and Cefalu, the gorges of Alcantara, the medieval city of Randazzo and the "Villa del Casale", the Valley of the Temples (showing the paganism St Paul was confronted by when he visited the island), Palermo with its Duomo, Cathedral, Palatine Chapel and Catacombs of the Capuchin monks, mummified and preserved, and the north-west coast, visiting Trapani and the ancient Phoenician towns of Erice and Marsala. For more information go to the Melton Team Parish web-site (www.melton.leicester.anglican.org) or ring the Rector on 07921919917.

'THE CHURCH AND VULNERABLE FAMILIES' Saturday 28th September 9:30am - 12:30pm A free event for churches across Leicester/shire at St John the Baptist Church, Clarendon Park Road. Hear from organisations working in Leicester supporting families, vulnerable people and children. Key note session on the theology of why we should care. Network with like minded churches Book your place: www.eventbrite.com/e/the-church-and-vulnerablefamilies

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(The Parish Office is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and

**Friday** from 9.30am until 2.30pm, unless stated differently in the diary)

The office is closed on **Mondays**.

#### 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 standing order as part of our Planned Giving Scheme. Details can be obtained from Lorna Pollard, Planned Giving Scheme Secretary: telephone 0116 2704272 or e mail: stmarysknighton.giving@gmail.com. If you are a taxpayer and gift aid your giving, our church can claim an additional 25%.

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#### Please pray.....

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5.16-18)

**Praying for the World:** we pray for those mourning the loss of loved ones in the recent mass shootings in the US. We pray for justice and truth in that nation, for the power of the church to lead with moral authority and gospel conviction. We pray for Leicester's partner Diocese, Trichy in India as the church rebuilds buildings, communities and lives shattered by the devastation of last year's cyclone. We pray for all those affected by extreme weather. We pray for policy makers to act justly to protect the poorest and those most vulnerable to the effects of climate change.

**Praying for the Church:** we pray for young people in our churches across Leicestershire. We pray for all youth and children's workers that they may enjoy the refreshment and inspiration of the summer rhythms. We pray particularly for children in choirs and those in server teams and thank God for the flourishing work of St James the Greater, Leicester Cathedral and Loughborough All Saints and the schools partnership of Dio Sing. We pray for the young people in our churches to have a living faith which will endure.

Praying for the Parish: This week please pray for those who live on: Balmoral Close, Carisbrook Park, Kenwood Road, Arreton Close, Carisbrook Avenue, Carisbrook Gardens.

We pray for all those who are unwell at the moment, whether in body. mind or spirit. In particular we pray for **David, Veronica Small, Tim, Brian Pinder** and all those on our parish 'Continuing Prayer' list. May they know the power of God's healing love at work in their lives today.

Give thanks for those who have been healed and restored.

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

Andrew Nutter

Names will remain on the prayer list here for three weeks - please let us know if they should then be moved to the 'Continuing Prayer' list used for intercessions during the week.