



St Mary Magdalen Church of England, Knighton

Vicar - Revd Adrian Jones
Curate - Revd Neil Bullen

15th October 2017
17th 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.
- 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 15th October 18th Sunday after Trinity The King Chooses a People	8.00am Eucharist 10.00am Sung Eucharist
Monday 16th October Parish Office Closed	7.30pm Bell Ringing
Tuesday 17th October Parish Office Closed	9.30am Eucharist
Wednesday 18th October Parish Office Closed	1.00pm Tiny Tots (Narthex & Church)
Thursday 19th October	9.30am Eucharist at St Guthlac's church 10.00am Thursday Club (Centre)
Friday 20th October	11.45am Funeral - Marjorie Lafford
Saturday 21st October	11.45am Interment of Ashes
Sunday 22nd October 19th Sunday after Trinity A Land for the King's People	8.00am Eucharist 10.00am Sung Eucharist

The next Service for Healing, with Communion will be at 11.00 am on **Friday 27th October**.

ADRIAN AWAY Adrian, Alison and family will be away on **Wednesday 18th to Friday 20th** - in case of emergency please contact one of the Church Wardens.

The Liturgy of the Word, Sunday 15th October 2017

'Our Bible readings today are:

Genesis 12.1-5, 15.1-6 '**...count the stars.....**'

Romans 4.13, 16-17 '**I have made you the father on many nations...** '

Matthew 5.13-16 '**...salt of the earth....**'

The sermon is titled: '**The King chooses a people**'

NEIL BULLEN Neil, our curate is away on placement at Peterborough Cathedral until 11th November. You can follow what he's doing on Facebook.

PARISH OFFICE James is starting to use up some of his remaining holiday days, and so this week, the office will be closed until Thursday 19th October. Apologies for any inconvenience.

EVENTS

MARJORIE LAFFORD: Marjorie's funeral will take place at St Mary's on **Friday 20th October** at 11.45am.

ALL THROUGH THE YEAR. Coro Nostro chamber choir will be taking us on a journey through the year with music from Byrd, Macmillan, Poulenc, Morley and more. Please come and join us for this concert here at St Marys on **Saturday 28th October** at 7.30pm. Tickets available on the door £8 (6) includes wine/soft drinks. Mary Britton

REDEDICATION OF THE ORGAN during the communion service on **Sunday 29th October** 10.30am. St. Guthlac's has had its organ improved, including removal of clatter and a thorough correction of faults; we have a new adjustable organ bench and the pedal board is now at a standard distance from the manuals. We are told that it is now good for a further 40 years (at least!) and people have been commenting on the improved sound. We are rededicating the organ at the morning service, 10.30am on 29th October. The priest and preacher will be Canon Dr Stephen Foster. The organ builders and other guests will be coming and Geoffrey Hames and his teacher, Roxanne Gull, will be playing the organ. The joint choirs of St. Mary's and St. Guthlac's will be singing a psalm setting by Charles V. Stanford and some favourite hymns. The anthem will be "Christ is the World's True Light" by W. K. Stanton (Yolanda's great uncle). All are welcome to join us for this special occasion.

BISHOP'S LAY CONGRESS This year's major gathering for all lay people in the Diocese of Leicester is on **Saturday 11th November** at St Martin's House near the Cathedral. In the past many people have found this a source of real encouragement and inspiration so please do read the leaflets at the back of church to see if it is for you.

THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY IS COMING ...to Leicester. Archbishop Justin Welby is coming to Leicester for a three day visit as part of his 'Big Conversation'. There will be a variety of events across 14th-16th November, but the major one is an evening of prayer and worship at 7.30pm on **Tuesday 14th November**, at the Leicester Riders Arena on Charter Street, near Abbey Park. Tickets are free so if you would like to join me at this significant gathering for Christians in Leicester, please do let me know and I will put in an order for us. See the posters at the back of church for more information. Adrian

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER Please help make the Bazaar a success by donating a **RAFFLE PRIZE**, 'POSH TAT' and items for the **BOTTLE STALL**: Bottles can be **Wine, Soft drinks, Sauces**. Lots of small bottles please, all of which can be left in the labelled box near the North door or contact: Michael Kirk Tel: 0116 2707843

NOTICES

RIDE AND STRIDE: Sophie and Flick have raised **£200**, half of which comes back to St Mary's .It would be helpful if any outstanding money or further donations could be given to Flick in the next few days. Thank you all.

TRANSPORT NEEDED Veronica Brown needs someone to bring her to the 8.00am service on **Sunday 22nd October**. If you can help, please call Veronica on 288 9284, preferable in the afternoon. Many thanks.

COMMUNITY OF GRACE The community of Grace were delighted with the tins of food delivered to them on Wednesday morning. They are very grateful for the generosity of the congregation, and have sent us a thank you card. This is on the noticeboard at the back of Church.

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES If you would like to get involved with this, please speak to Bet. She will be able to tell you how you can help provide a Christmas gift for children in Eastern Europe.

OPENING THE CHURCH: thanks to everyone who volunteered over three weeks to open the church on Tuesdays. This seemed like a good trial run and we'll be having more Open Days on special occasions and then in the Spring.

PRAYING FOR THE FUTURE: I hope that you've had your copy of the Church Magazine and have read my invitation to pray through the autumn as we seek the best path for the next few years in the life of St Mary's. The prayer that I suggested in the magazine is now printed on cards for you to take away and they are available at the back of the church today. Between All Saints Day and Advent Sunday there will also be two specific opportunities each week for you to join me in church to pray - on Tuesday mornings from 9.15-9.30am (just before the Communion service) and then on Sunday mornings between 9.30 and 9.45am (so, before the main service of the day) - further details closer to the time. Adrian

CHILDREN'S' SOCIETY BOX OPENING. £537.40 was raised this year. Many thanks for the continuing support.

LOST KEYS A set of keys was lost on Sunday 1st October between St Mary's and Brinsmead Road. If you found a set of keys or can help, please contact Valarie Thomson on 2414 110.

CALENDARS To celebrate 120 years of the Leicester Children's Holiday Centre in Mablethorpe, a commemorative calendar has been produced and is available for £5. Please see the sign up sheet at the back of church if you'd like to order one. Many thanks. Molly Clarke.

ROY NEWTON Roy Newton, whose death has been mentioned in recent copies of the Newsletter, will be remembered fondly by many of the more senior members of the congregation. Roy and his wife Jennifer (nee Clough) were both active members of the parish. They were married in 1961 at St Guthlac's, St Mary's being closed for its substantial alterations at the time. They were both members of St Mary's choir and both took part in the Choristers' Capers shows which Colin Holyoake used to put on. They moved to Cheshire in 1970.

BAROI FAMILY: the good news is that Anju and her family were released from the detention centre on Monday and are safely back in Leicester. Many thanks to all who wrote to Jon Ashworth MP and / or sent postcards expressing support. The future is still not certain, so please continue to pray for them.

HEATH & SAFETY

Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) have been provided in many public locations and can now be found in busy public places and are meant to be used by members of the public if they witness a cardiac arrest. As you may know, our Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) Lynette Steadman holds a 'surgery' in the narthex on Tuesdays from time-to-time following the 9.30 Eucharist. On **Tuesday 24th October** at 10.30 Lynette will be providing a demonstration of how to use an AED defibrillator. All are welcome to attend.

DIWALI 2017

Diwali is the Hindu festival of lights. Diwali symbolises the victory of good over evil and lamps are lit as a sign of celebration and hope. It is one of the most popular holidays in Hindu countries and communities.

In Leicester, the Diwali lights were switched on last week and Diwali itself begins on the evening of Wednesday 18th October, continuing until Sunday 22nd October.

Our Hindu neighbours will be celebrating throughout this time and may have small lamps lit in their windows at night- please do greet them with a simple "Happy Diwali!". Adrian

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



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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**.

10 th September	Opening up The Greatest Story Ever Told
17 th September	Chapter 1: The King of Creation
24 th September	Chapter 2: Rebellion in the Kingdom
1 st October	All Good Gifts Around Us: All Age Harvest Festival
8 th October	Seeds for Tomorrow: Our Annual Renewal of Giving
15 th October	Chapter 3: The King chooses a People
22 nd October	Chapter 4: A Land for the King's People
29 th October	Chapter 5: The Coming of the King
5 th November	Saints and Sparklers: All Age Worship
12 th November	Remembrance Sunday
19 th November	Chapter 6: Building the Kingdom
26 th 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 **Balmoral Close, Carisbrooke Park, Kenwood Road, Arreton Close, Carisbrook Avenue and Carisbrook Gardens**

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 Doreen White

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:

**Marjorie Lafford
Roy Newton**

**Martin Nicholson
Rita Allen**



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