



**St Mary Magdalen
Church of England,
Knighton**



**Newsletter for Sunday
13th November 2022
Remembrance Sunday**

Collect for this week

Lord of the nations, Saviour and judge of all:
remove from human hearts all bitterness and hate,
grant to those who have died in war your mercy and
forgiveness, and bring us all to the peace of your eternal
Kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who suffered and died,
and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, world without end.
Amen.



DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 13th November <i>Remembrance Sunday</i>	9.00am Weekly Eucharist (trad) 10.30am Remembrance Sung Eucharist 10.30am Remembrance Service at St G
Monday 14th November	7.00pm Bell ringing practice
Tuesday 15th November	9.30am Holy Communion (St Mary's)
Wednesday 16th November	10.30am Christmas workshop (Narthex) 1.00pm Church cleaning 8.00 pm Compline on Zoom
Thursday 17th November	9.30 am Holy Communion (St Guthlac) 2.00pm Funeral—Judi Stone 7.30pm Buildings Group meeting
Friday 18th November	7.00pm Choir Practice
Saturday 19th November	9.30-4.30pm Cecilian Singers rehearsal
Sunday 20th November <i>Christ the King</i>	9.00am Weekly Eucharist 10.30am Eucharist for Christ the King 10.30am Eucharist at St Guthlacs

Please check the online diary for updates and beyond the week ahead: www.stmarysknighton.co.uk

Sunday Club, for children at primary school, meets during the 10.30am service on both the second and third Sundays of each month. Everyone is welcome even if it's your first time here! Just ask one of the Welcome Team to point out our leaders, and then say hello :)

On the first Sunday we all stay together for All Age Worship, and on the fourth Sunday why not join us at 10.30 for the relaxed, cafe- style Church Club at St Guthlac's, Holbrook Road?

Listening to God's Word

Our Bible reading for **Sunday 13th November** is:
Colossians 1.15-20 and Matthew 5.1-12

Church Family News

Funeral of Judi Stone: the funeral for our friend and congregation member Judi Stone will take place at St Mary's on Thursday, 17th November at 2pm. Everyone is welcome.

Further sad news: I'm very sorry to have to tell you that another long-serving and faithful member of the St Mary's congregation, Audrey Page (often know as Kate) died recently. Even though she hadn't been able to attend church in the last few years, Audrey will be remembered fondly by many. Her funeral will be at St Mary's on Friday 25th November at 1pm. Adrian

Thank you Bernard and family would like to thank everyone for their kind messages of sympathy and love shown to us at this very sad and difficult time. We have gained much comfort from these messages. Thank You.

Eucharist next Sunday, 20th November - next Sunday we will mark the celebration of Christ the King in our main service at 10.30am. As usual on the third Sunday of the month our worship will be supported by the musicians and singers of our band, and will have a less traditional form, but this month we will also be sharing in the Eucharist as part of the service, in a way that is especially accessible for our children and young people, some of whom will be receiving Communion for the first time. In line with Church of England guidance, they have all been prepared for this important step in their journey of faith - we welcome them as they join our 'Eucharistic fellowship'. *Adrian*

Mothers' Union Fellowship Our next meeting is Tuesday, 22nd November in the Parish Centre Lounge – it's warmer there! We have the room from 1.30pm and the talk will begin at 2pm. Our speaker is Jenny Joannau JP who has worked with the Prince's Trust and the title of her talk is "Criminals wot I met". As always we welcome non-members. LP

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION would appreciate your kind donations in the collection box which will be situated in St Mary's Church today. POPPIES and CROSSES will be available for you to select.

Sadly, last Sunday afternoon the collection box was taken by an unseen opportunist thief. Do please be extra vigilant - and extra generous this week.



Christmas Tree Festival Raffle Hamper

Are you able to donate an item for the hamper, which will be the 1st prize in the raffle at this year's Christmas Tree Festival?

If so, could you please let us know by filling in the form on the notice board at the back of church. There is a list of suggestions, but it isn't exhaustive so if you feel you would like to donate something else that is "Christmassy" please do so.

Please place any items you've offered in the basket on the table near the north door by Sunday 27th November. Please bear in mind that everything in the hamper must have a sell/use by date some time later than Christmas.

Thank you - the Christmas Tree Festival Team

Online Compline on Wednesdays—8.00pm

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81118183080>

Meeting ID: 811 1818 3080

Dial by your location **0203 481 5240**

There is currently a property available for purchase at Muston Gardens, which is a site of residential dwellings and intended for Christians aged 55 and over. The property is a spacious 2 bed semi-detached bungalow. Viewing is strongly recommended. For more information, or to arrange a viewing please contact Joel Pither on 07983 603 763.

'It's that time of year again - time to order Fairtrade Advent calendars that support cocoa producers in the developing world with a living wage while, at the same time, reminding your friends & family of the real story of Christmas beyond the tinsel and trimmings! Please sign up on the list at the back of St Mary's or with me by Sunday 13th November at the latest to ensure delivery in time for Advent. Payment of £4.50 on collection. Thanks. Alison Roche'



Baking hats on please.....

Once again, we'd love to have some of your lovely baking for the Christmas Tree Festival on 3rd/4th December.



Please sign up on the noticeboard at the back of church. As well as cakes & biscuits, we would appreciate some meat-free savoury items such as cheese scones, cheese straws etc.

If at all possible, please use Fairtrade ingredients (sugar, chocolate, etc), and please add a note if you include nuts, sesame seeds etc.

We can collect from you if that helps. Thanks! Alison Roche



The Amos Trust will be holding one of its Christmas events at Trinity Methodist Church, Harborough Rd, Oadby LE2 5AF on Mon 28th November at 7pm.

I have travelled to the Holy Land with the Amos Trust twice, and this event will feature partners from Gaza, a host of local performers, poetry, music, and special guests. Proceeds from the evening will go towards Amos Trust's Christmas appeal supporting our work in Gaza.

Refreshments will be served and Christmas merchandise sold after the event.

Tickets are free but must be booked in advance via their website [Christmas Tour page] but ask me if you'd like me to get them for you.

Alison Roche.

You are invited to a

Christmas Tea

On Saturday 17th December 2022

From 3 pm - 5 pm

In St. Mary's Church,

Brinsmead Road, Leicester LE2 3WD

Seasonal Music

Raffle

FREE ENTRY BUT TICKETS REQUIRED

Tickets can be obtained from

The Parish Office, Church Lane, LE2 3WG

0116 2702705 (Tuesday - Friday mornings)

or

Cora Paul 07933 318153





Christmas Tree Festival

The Christmas Tree Festival is only a few weeks away. Once again the team would be very grateful if you could spare a few hours over the weekend to help to make this such a joyous occasion.

There is a sign up sheet on the church notice board for you to leave your details when you would be available to help. Don't be shy, sign up and come and join us.

Christmas Tree Festival Workshops

Tuesday 8th, Wednesday 16th, and Tuesday 22nd November
10.30-12.30 in the Narthex



Do come along and enjoy a morning making Christmas trees, angels and other decorations for the Christmas Tree Festival. Anyone is welcome and no artistic skills are necessary.

This year we will again need **magazines, catalogues**, newspaper supplements and the like, but also **paperback books, soft fabrics** (eg cotton, velvet) and **ribbon.**) Please start saving them now. I will put a box in the porch to collect them.

For further information or to join a workshop please contact me (Tel: 0116 2707525) or sign up at the back of the church.

Thanks

Deborah Martin

Have you ever been to a Christmas Tree Festival?

Many people have said that the Knighton Christmas Tree Festival marks the start of the Christmas season.

You are warmly invited to visit this beautiful, local 700-year-old church to see the Christmas trees which have been decorated by local groups, schools, organisations, charities, businesses, individuals and families.

Enjoy seasonal refreshments and music while helping to raise money for this year's local charity - LAMP (Leicestershire Action for Mental Health Project) - and for our community garden project.

Musical entertainment this year will include:
on Saturday - a choir and a ukulele band;
on Sunday - a brass band.
(For times, see St Mary's website.)

For children there will be free squash and biscuits,
as well as seasonal activities.

Join us for Carols among the Trees to round off
the festival on Sunday 4th December at 5 pm.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Let the magic of Christmas begin!



The Cecilian Singers

Music Director - Benjamin Kirk
Assistant Music Director - Guy Turner

'TIS THE SEASON

A CONCERT of CHRISTMAS MUSIC
with Andrew King (organ/piano)

Friday 9th December 2022 7.30pm
St Mary Magdalen Church, Knighton
off Brinsmead Road, Leicester LE2 3WB

Tickets £12

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/manage/events/456142994977/tickets>

Or from Jane Cotton 0115 937 2993

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Visit www.ceciliansingers.co.uk



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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 monthly bank standing order as part of our Planned Giving Scheme. Scheme details can be obtained from Lorna Pollard, Planned Giving Scheme Secretary: email: stmarysknighton.giving@gmail.com or phone 01162704272. If you are a taxpayer and gift aid your giving, our church can claim an additional 25%. Cheques to **Knighthon PCC** please.

Prayers for this week

“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.”

(Colossians 4.2)

Praying for the world: In this week of Remembrance Sunday please pray for peace between the nations and peoples of the world. Pray for all those that follow the example of Jesus by being peace-makers in areas of conflict, and pray that we may all live more peaceful and considerate lives, loving our neighbours as much as we love ourselves.

Praying for the Church: As we start Interfaith Week, please pray for a loving Christian response from all of us, to the presence of neighbours following other faiths. Pray for many opportunities to increase understanding between people of different religious and nonreligious beliefs, and for good local relationships between all communities, especially in Leicester.

Praying for the Parish: Please pray for the peace and well-being of all those who live on **Kingsmead Road, Northfold Road, Eastcourt Road, Westgate Road, Lynholme Road, Deancourt Road.**

Praying for those in need: Please pray for all those who are in need at the moment, those who are unwell in body, mind or spirit, and those who are anxious and worried. In particular please pray this week for **Ann Beams, Diane Stockton, Val Stubbs, John Orme, Peter Relph.**

Pray as well for all those on our parish *‘Continuing Prayer’* list, that they may know the power of God's healing love at work in their lives today. Also, give thanks for those who are recovering and who know God's peace.

Please remember those who have died recently and pray for their families and friends. We particularly pray for **Audrey (Kate) Page and Judi Stone** and remember all those whose anniversaries fall at this time.