



**St Mary Magdalen Church,
Knighton**

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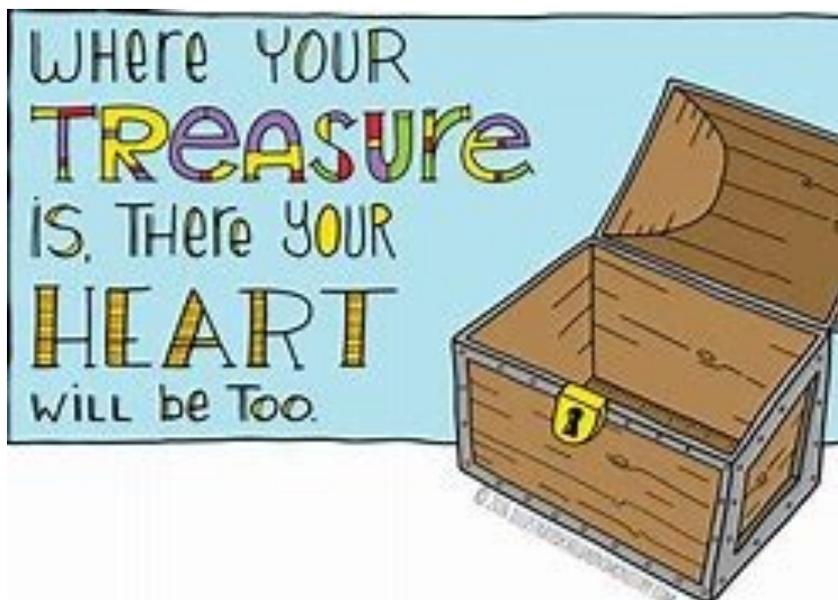


Sunday 7th August 2022
8th Sunday after Trinity

**Join us in prayer, worship and life together,
this Sunday and through the week**

Collect for this week

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern
both our hearts and bodies
in the ways of your laws
and the works of your commandments;
that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,
we may be preserved in body and soul;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.



DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 7th August <i>8th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.00am Weekly Eucharist 10.30am Eucharist 10.30am Eucharist at St Guthlacs
Monday 8th August	2.30pm Funeral 7.00pm Bell ringing practice
Tuesday 9th August	9.30am Holy Communion (St Mary's)
Wednesday 10th August	8.00 pm Compline on Zoom
Thursday 11th August	9.30 am Holy Communion (St G) 12 noon Funeral 1.00pm Church cleaning 6.00pm Wedding rehearsal
Friday 12th August	1.00pm Wedding 7.00pm Choir Practice
Saturday 13th August	
Sunday 14th August <i>9th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.00am Weekly Eucharist (trad) 10.30am Benefice Eucharist and farewell to Matthew

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

Sunday Club - our group for children at primary school is taking a summer break, but we'll be back as usual when term begins in September :)

Office and Vicarage Phone Please note that our landline phones are still down, and Openreach need to do some work to get them working again. Until then, please either email us, or call Adrian's mobile on 07919 262399 Apologies if you've been ringing without success.

Farewell to Matthew!

As you will have seen from previous newsletters, we're saying a fond farewell to Matthew and Claire, Lydia, Constance and Eleanor, as he moves to take up his new post as Rector of Anstey, Thurgaston and Cropston. Their time with us has been full of love and laughter and Matthew has created many new opportunities to turn us and our community once again towards the call of Jesus - he'll be much missed.



Matthew's last Sunday with us will be 14th August and so we are having a joint service to say farewell at St Mary's at 10.30am. The service will be followed by coffee as usual and then a 'bring and share' picnic lunch at about noon, for anyone who would like to come, in the small park opposite the church. We'll take chairs outside and, of course, if the weather should happen to turn we have indoor options too. Just bring yourselves and your picnic!

Matthew will be licensed by Bishop Saju at a special service on the evening of Tuesday 3rd August, and again all are welcome – more details will follow.

In the meantime, if you would like to contribute towards a farewell gift then do please send a cheque payable to 'Knighton PCC' to James at the St Mary's office, or preferably make a direct payment by bank transfer to Barclays Bank with the following details:

Account name: Knighton PCC

bank sort code: 20- 49 -17

bank a/c no. 43592286 with a reference of 'Matthew'.

Thank you!

Adrian

South Leicester Churches

Drop ins - all welcome

Mon Wellbeing Cafe | 10am-12noon | Stoneygate Baptist

Tues Toddler Group | 9-11am | Christchurch Clarendon Park

Mothers Union | 2pm | St John the Baptist (3rd of month)

Mothers Union | 2-4pm | St Mary's Knighton (4th of month)

Weds MOLO (babies under 1) | 11am-12noon | St John the Baptist

Older persons luncheon | 12:30pm | Christchurch CP (fortnightly)

Holbrook Oasis Drop in | 1:30-3pm | St Guthlacs Knighton

Open Wednesday | 2-5pm | Clarendon Park Congregational Church

Thurs Buzzy Bees (1-5 yrs) | 9:30-11am | St John the Baptist (term time)

Connections | 2pm | St John the Baptist

Fri Messy Church | 3:30pm | Stoneygate Baptist (once a month)

Film night | 6pm | Clarendon Park Congregational Church

**For more information about churches
in the South Leicester Christian Partnership see
together.ourchurchweb.org.uk/southleicester**

How to help garden wildlife in hot dry weather



During the recent hot, dry spell, wildlife across Britain has suffered as water levels declined and food sources became scarce. With more hot, dry weather forecast, the RHS is urging gardeners to support wildlife by following their top tips:

- **Encourage nectar production**

Keep pollinator friendly and summer-flowering species like single dahlias, single fuchsias and verbena going by watering well and deadheading regularly. Nectar flow can slow if plants get really thirsty and flowers can run to seed.

- **Improve access to ponds**

Ensure wildlife can get in and out of ponds as water levels drop. Extend ramps in steep-sided ponds and position plants so they provide extra access points.

- **Create a rehydration station**

Leave saucers of water in the garden for wildlife to sip from, placing pebbles and marbles in them to aid insects and smaller birds.

- **Leave overgrown plants for shade**

Avoid tidying the garden. Leave wildflower and meadow grasses uncut, increase log piles, and leave plants that have gone to seed in place. They are relished as a shelter and as nesting supplies while the seeds are highly prized by goldfinches. Watch out for toads that have burrowed to escape the heat when digging.

- **Tend your compost heaps**

Composting garden waste, especially in shady areas, is very helpful to wildlife. The insects, slugs and worms associated with rotting vegetation can feed other wildlife including amphibians and hedgehogs. Moisten the compost if it's dry.

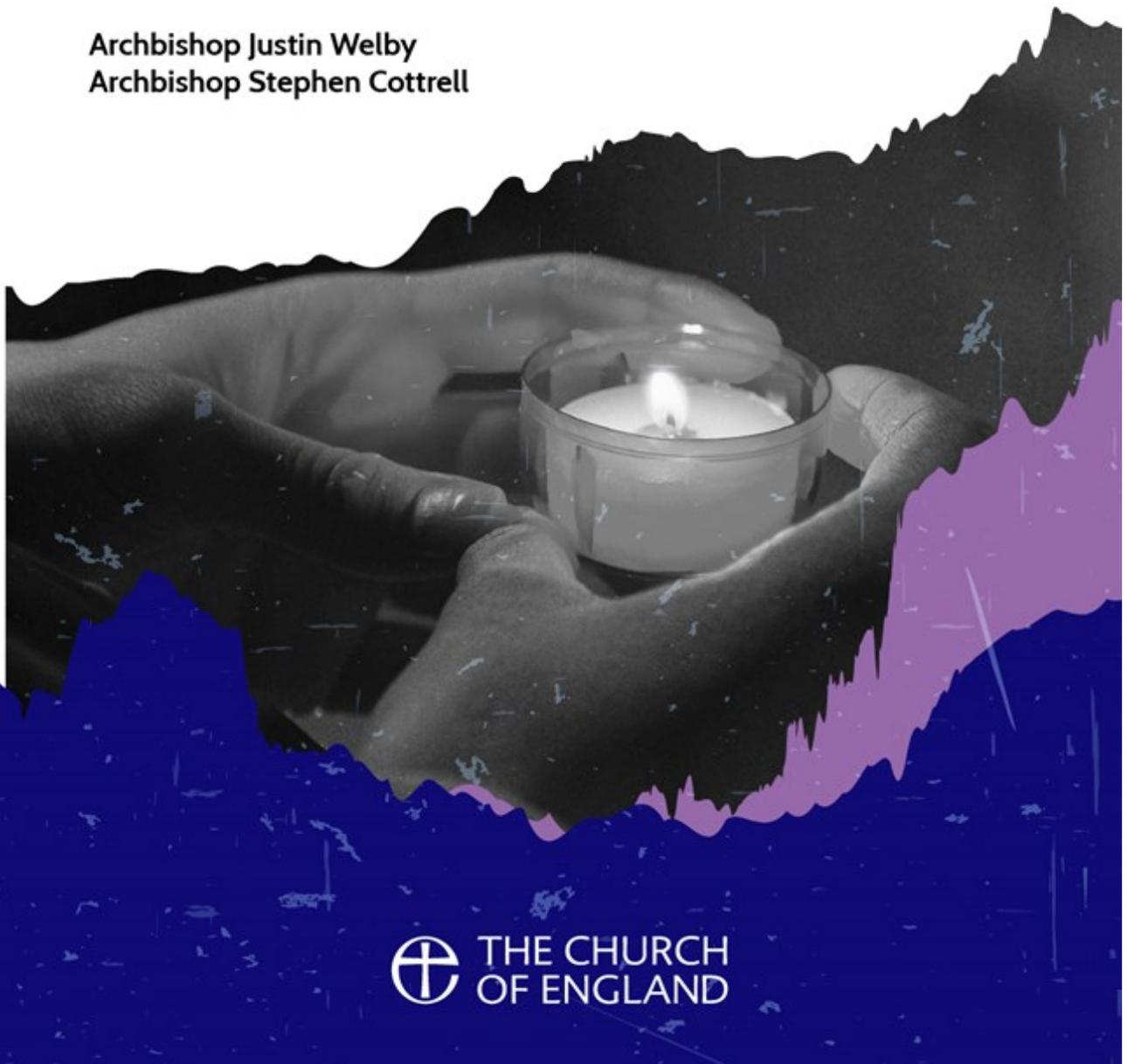
- **Support hedgehogs**

Supplement the diet of hungry hedgehogs by leaving proprietary hedgehog food, available from most bird feed suppliers, in shady spots. These garden favourites need moist soil to easily reach earthworms and other invertebrates that make up much of their diet.

A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen.

Archbishop Justin Welby
Archbishop Stephen Cottrell



Newsletters on Line

Both St Guthlac's and St Mary's current and backdated newsletters are available online.

St Mary's <https://www.stmarysknighton.co.uk>

St Guthlac's <http://www.stguthlac-knighton.co.uk>

PLEASE NOTE—NO EVENSONG IN AUGUST.

**We intend to resume Evensong on the first Sunday of the month
from September**

Online Compline

Please note that both Matthew and Tina are both away and so Aphro will host the meeting on zoom with a prayer. We will not have breakout discussion or the regular compline script. It will just be a chance to talk and Aphro to pray with all who are available.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://leccofe.zoom.us/j/7467674408?>

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Meeting ID: 746 767 4408

Passcode: hope

Dial by your location

0203 481 5240

Could you help with safeguarding?

Each church has to ensure that everything it does safeguards children and adults with care needs from all types of harm. This is a mandatory requirement partly because serious failures have allowed abuse to happen. If this is an issue which you care about, we need a person or a group to make sure Diocese training is taken up, planning for events are safe and national guidance is followed. There are now excellent resources and strong support from the Diocese and clergy. If you are interested or would like to talk further without obligation please contact Adrian or Cora Paul about the role.

Holbrook Oasis

Wednesdays 1.30 – 3.00 pm
Starting 20th July

St Guthlac's Church, Holbrook Road LE2 3LF

Companionship, Conversation, Refreshment, Relaxation



Come and join us in our Welcome Area and garden to chat and enjoy others' company. Open to all: young families, people living alone, the elderly, refugees...

Tea, coffee and cakes provided

Toys available for children with their carers



Email: churchwardens@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk

Listening to God's Word

Our Bible readings for **Sunday 7th August** are:

Genesis 15.1-6

God's Covenant with Abram

15 After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' ² But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' ³ And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' ⁴ But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' ⁵ He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' ⁶ And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Luke 12.32-40

³² 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵ 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹ 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

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Holiday Bungalow to let - holiday times or weekend breaks

Fully furnished excluding washing machine

2 minutes from the sea / 5 minutes from the shops & restaurants

Prices: Out of season - £40 per night or £250 per week

Summer season (mid July to mid September) £60 per night - £400 per week

Non-refundable deposit of £30 No pets

Free parking for two cars

For further details contact Molly Clarke on **270 3749**

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 bank standing order as part of our Planned Giving Scheme. Scheme details can be obtained from Lorna Pollard, Planned Giving Scheme Secretary: telephone 01162704272 or email: 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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Let's keep in touch!

If you want to know about church life and forthcoming events through our weekly newsletter...

Please fill in the information below and then sign to confirm that we can send news of church life and events, and that ministers and church officers may contact you. Your details will not be shared with anyone else. Our Privacy Statement can be found on the church website www.stmarysknighton.co.uk

Please return this form as soon as possible to one of the clergy, or to the Church Wardens (Sian and Beryl) -or by email your details below. If you would like to revise this permission at any time then please contact our Administrator, James Gutteridge: 0116 270 2705

office@knightonparish.co.uk

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Pray continually.....

Pray for the world: please continue to pray for the people of Ukraine, especially those caught up directly in the war. Pray for peace and justice, and for the restraint of evil and violence.

Pray for the Church: Please pray for the Bishops of the worldwide Anglican Communion and that they will work tirelessly and selflessly to build unity, and in everything keep their eyes on Jesus.

Praying for the Parish: Please pray for the peace and well-being of all those who live on Elms Road, Knighton Drive, Knighton Road, Northcote Road, Newstead 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 **Peter Relph, John Orme, Doreen White, Margaret Roff and Judi Stone**

We pray for all those on our parish 'Continuing Prayer' list. May they know the power of God's healing love at work in their lives today. We give thanks for those who have recovered or who are recovering.

We remember those who have died recently and pray for their families and friends. We particularly pray for **Jane Barwell, Basia (Barbara) Mason, Anita Crockett and Jill Gartshore.**

We remember all those whose anniversaries fall at this time.