



St Mary Magdalen Church of England, Knighton

Vicar - Revd Adrian Jones
Curate - Revd Neil Bullen

8th October 2017
Renewal of Giving

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 8th October 17th Sunday after Trinity Renewal of Giving Sunday	8.00am 10.00am 3.00pm	Eucharist Sung Eucharist Bowlers Service of Thanksgiving
Monday 9th October	7.30pm	Bell Ringing
Tuesday 10th October	9.30am	Eucharist
Wednesday 11th October Parish Office Closed	1.00pm 7.30pm	Tiny Tots (Narthex & Church) SLCP AGM (Narthex)
Thursday 12th October	9.30am 10.00am	Eucharist at St Guthlac's church Thursday Club (Centre)
Friday 13th October		
Saturday 14th October		
Sunday 15th October 18th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 10.00am	Eucharist Sung Eucharist

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

The Liturgy of the Word, Sunday 1st October 2017

'Our Bible readings for Renewal of Giving Sunday are:'

1 Chronicles 29.10-18 '**...all things come from you.....**'

1 Corinthians 3.1-9 '**each will receive wages according to the labour of each....**'

John 2.1-11 '**...My hour has not yet come....**'

OLD £1 COINS Please note that old £1 coins will not be accepted in the collection after **TODAY**.

NEIL BULLEN Neil, our curate is away on placement at Peterborough Cathedral until 11th November.

EVENTS

FREE FILM NIGHT AT ST GUTHLAC'S : Philomena (Cert 12, 98 mins)
Tuesday 10th October at 7pm Free refreshments and the chance to socialise . All welcome

Based on a true story, Philomena (Judi Dench) became pregnant as a teenager in Ireland in 1952. She was sent to the convent of Roscrea to be looked after as a "fallen woman". When her baby was only a toddler, he was taken away by the nuns for adoption in America. Philomena spent the next fifty years searching for him but with no success. Then she met Martin Sixsmith (Steve Coogan), a world-weary political journalist who happened to be intrigued by her story. Together they set off to America to try to find him...

HOPE WALK 2017 - everyone is invited to join supporters of Papyrus: prevention of young suicide for this year's Leicester Hope Walk, in memory of Stephen Farmilo, grandson of Margot Comer. The walk aims to raise awareness and smash the stigma of young suicide. It begins from the War Memorial in Victoria Park on **Saturday 14th October**, at 2.30pm, and you are asked to wear something purple. Walking together is the important thing, but there will also be a collection to support Papyrus. More information is available from www.justgiving.com/fundraising/liz-farmilo and from Liz on 07986 759289.

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



NOTICES

HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND (HLF) BID FOR STEEPLE REPAIRS

As you may know, the Buildings Group submitted a bid to the HLF (East Midlands) under the 'Grants for Places of Worship' programme in May of this year in respect of repairs to the church steeple estimated to cost in the region of £186,000. We heard on Thursday last week that sadly our bid was unsuccessful. The current national programme is ending shortly and the HLF Committee had to take decisions on more projects than the available budget would allow. Since our application was not as urgent compared to other applications that had been received our bid was rejected due to insufficient funds. However, the HLF noted in their letter that 'there was clearly work that would be grant-eligible' under the HLF's 'Our Heritage' programme and that if we wished to submit a project enquiry they would be willing to offer comments and feedback. This course of action will be followed up by the Buildings Group.

Patrick Holligan, Convener, Buildings Group

COFFEE ARRANGEMENTS - YOUR FEEDBACK. Many thanks to all of you who have given feedback to myself, the PCC and the Church Wardens about our the various options we have been trying out for the serving of coffee after church. The Coffee team in particular deserve our thanks for being so flexible and willing in the face of different systems. Today is the last day of the trail, so next Sunday we will be back to the traditional arrangement. In the next few days I'll be talking with the PCC about how the different options worked out and what everyone thought of them, and I will let you all know what conclusions we reach. Thank you for your help and patience! Adrian

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.

POPPIES As I have moved house I am unfortunately no longer able to sell Remembrance Day poppies at St Mary's. I would therefore be very grateful if someone would volunteer to take over the role which involves selling poppies after the 10am Sunday services on **October 29th and November 5th** and shortly before the Remembrance Service on **12th November**. Arrangements can be made for the poppies to be delivered and collected. I can be contacted on 01572-717792. Thank you. Cherry Rae-Smith.

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.

HARVEST FESTIVAL: our many thanks go to all those who were part of the teams that gave us such a sparkling Harvest Festival on Sunday and Harvest Tea on Saturday - much appreciated by all! Particular thanks to our Flower arranging team for their hard work and artistry.

THANKS The Coffee morning held on **16th September** and sale of goods in church raised **£230.71** for church funds. Many thanks to all those who supported this event. The Social Group.

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.

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 are switched on today 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 **Kingsmead Road, Northfold Road, Eastcourt Road, Westgate Road, Lynholm Road and Deancourt Road.**

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

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
Martin Nicholson
Rita Allen**

**Roy Newton
Peter James Routen**



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