



**St Mary Magdalen Church,  
Knighton**

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**Sunday 24th July 2022  
Mary Magdalene**

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

**Collect for this week**

Almighty God,  
whose Son restored Mary Magdalene  
to health of mind and body  
and called her to be a witness to his resurrection:  
forgive our sins and heal us by your grace,  
that we may serve you in the power of his risen life;  
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

<b>Sunday 24th July</b> <i>Patronal Festival</i>	9.00am Weekly Eucharist (trad) <b>10.30am Patronal Festival Eucharist</b> 10.30am Morning Prayer at St Guthlacs
Monday 25th July	7.00pm Bell ringing practice
Tuesday 26th July	9.30am Holy Communion (St Mary's) 2.30pm Mothers' Union Fellowship
Wednesday 27th July	8.00 pm Compline on Zoom
Thursday 28th July	9.30 am Holy Communion (St G) 12.30pm Church cleaning
Friday 29th July	11.00am Healing Prayer with Communion 7.00pm Choir Practice
Saturday 30th July	
<b>Sunday 31st July</b>	9.00am Weekly Eucharist <b>10.30am Joint Sung Eucharist</b>

**Please check the online diary for updates and beyond the week ahead: [www.stmarysknighton.co.uk](http://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?

**Christmas project knitters** - there is double knitting wool in a bag on the notice board, please help yourself. Also a completed bottee for you to see. ( Thank you Janet) For any information please see Cora.

**PLEASE NOTE—NO EVENSONG IN AUGUST.**

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

**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>

**Thanks** Rod and Jenny Bowditch would like to thank everyone for their prayers and messages of support during Rod's recent illness. He is now feeling much better and his latest results are very positive.

**Mothers' Union Fellowship**

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 26th July at 2.30pm in St Mary's when Lorna Kirk will talk to us about "65 years in the British Red Cross. A Rosy Glow of Pride". As always, visitors are welcome to join us. LP

**Online Compline**

**Wednesdays—8.00pm**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81118183080>

Meeting ID: 811 1818 3080

Dial by your location

0203 481 5240 United Kingdom

Meeting ID: 811 1818 3080

## 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 Matthew or Cora Paul about the role.

**THANKS** to Sian and St Mary's for the loan of the wonderful large fan. That has made all the difference between coping and collapsing in the heat! I am very grateful. *Flick*

**Please note that we are having smart meters fitted in St Mary's Church on Thursday 4th August. The electricity will be switched off whilst the work is carried out, between 8.00am and 12 noon (please note it may go on later in the day).**

**Sorry for any inconvenience.**

**Electricity**  
Smart meter





# 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](http://together.ourchurchweb.org.uk/southleicester)**

## **Prayer for the Climate and Ecological Emergency**

Father of Creation, God of Compassion.  
Our world warms,  
Your world burns,  
Our hearts ache,  
As heatwaves and wildfires rampage and ransack,  
Leaving a trail of  
sweat and sorrow  
death and destruction.

Heatwaves and new record temperatures,

A Conflagration of Chaos  
We reap what we sow.

We know not how to pray,

Yet we pray,  
And look to you,  
Help us!

We lift up to you  
the heatwaves in the UK,  
forest fires across Europe,  
In the heatwave,

We lift up to you those who are vulnerable as temperatures rise,  
We lift up to you those who dwell in housing which cannot keep cool.  
We lift up to you emergency services who will face extra pressure.

For those experiencing forest fires,

We lift up to you those whose homes have been destroyed,  
We lift up to you those feeling scared.

We lift up to you those who are fighting the fires,

We lift up to you local and national leaders,

We grieve the rise in temperatures,

The risk it poses and the deaths it will bring.

We grieve the loss of forests,

Destroyed by the flames.

We lament the death of wildlife

Destroyed by the wildfire and rising temperatures.

May these heatwaves and fires wake us up to our direction of travel,

May these heatwaves and fires expose the dark forces that put their foot  
on the pedal of climate breakdown,

May these heatwaves and fires lead to sustained action from those in  
power to adapt to what will be and avoid the worst of what may be.

Calm the raging fires,

Cool our soaring heat,

Calm our anxious hearts,

Renew in us a commitment to justice and peace,

Until that day when death will be no more.

Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

Amen

edited from prayer by Rev [Jon Swales](#)

# Holbrook Oasis

Wednesdays 1.30 – 3.00 pm  
Starting 20<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:churchwardens@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk)



## Listening to God's Word

Our Bible readings for **Sunday 24th July** are:

### **Song of Solomon 3.1-4**

**3** Upon my bed at night

I sought him whom my soul loves;

I sought him, but found him not;

I called him, but he gave no answer.

**2** 'I will rise now and go about the city,

in the streets and in the squares;

I will seek him whom my soul loves.'

I sought him, but found him not.

**3** The sentinels found me,

as they went about in the city.

'Have you seen him whom my soul loves?'

**4** Scarcely had I passed them,

when I found him whom my soul loves.

I held him, and would not let him go

until I brought him into my mother's house,

and into the chamber of her that conceived me.

### **John 20.1-2, 11-18**

**20** Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. **2** So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.'

### **Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene**

**11** But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; **12** and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. **13** They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' **14** When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. **15** Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' **16** Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). **17** Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' **18** Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

## **Contact details:**

**Vicar: Adrian Jones** Adrian is currently on sabbatical study leave, so please contact Matthew, others in the Ministry Team, or the Church Wardens as appropriate. He'll be back at the end of July.

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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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:office@knightonparish.co.uk)

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*Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light, Matthew 11.*

We pray for all needing rest. Praying particularly for those burdened by over-work. We think particularly of teachers and school workers starting their holiday break. We pray for children and young people to be fulfilled and know joy. We pray for those families who cannot afford holiday or dread the increased burden of childcare or food costs. We pray that none may go hungry and all who struggle may find help.

We pray for those lonely at this time needing friendship. We pray that church may be a place of welcome and love. May we know joy in our worship, peace with one another and a love which passes all understanding. Amen

### **Praying for our community**

We pray for the staff and pupils at Overdale Infants School, Overdale Junior School, The Lancaster Academy, Sir Jonathan North Community College, Leicester High School for Girls, Leicester Islamic Academy.

### **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 **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 remember all those whose anniversaries fall at this time.