

ST GUTHLAC'S COMMUNITY NEWS



Parish Church of St Guthlac
Knighton, Leicester LE2 3LF

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Sunday 20th July 2025
Fifth Sunday after Trinity

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This Sunday at 10.30am, Revd Janet Gasper will be presiding and preaching at a service of Holy Communion.

The Collect and Readings for the Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church
is governed and sanctified:
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,
that in their vocation and ministry
they may serve you in holiness and truth
to the glory of your name;
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

1st Reading: Amos 8.1-12;

Psalm 52;

2nd Reading: Colossians 1.15-28;

Gospel Reading: Luke 10. 38-42

Praying for each other: Please continue to pray for other members of our congregations, and especially this month for all those whose surnames fall at the start of the alphabet, starting with the letters A, B C and D. Pray that the summer will be a time of rest and refreshment for everyone.

Praying for the World: Please give thanks that in the face of such complex and difficult challenges in the world, God is still strong and good, and that his Kingdom will come. Pray for peace, justice and hope across all countries and all peoples, and a renewed sense of commitment to working together for the good of all.

Praying for the Church: Please ask God to give all Christians a heart of penitence for past wrongs, but also hopefulness as we remember God's readiness to forgive and transform. Pray that the Church everywhere may be both attentive and responsive to all that the Spirit of God is saying to us and doing amongst us.

Praying for those who suffer in body, mind or spirit:

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured or disabled, that they may be made whole. Grant to all who are lonely, anxious or depressed a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence. Mend broken relationships, and restore to those in distress soundness of mind and serenity of spirit. Sustain and support those who seek your guidance and lift up all who are brought low by the trials of this life. Grant to the dying, peace and your presence, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved. Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world. Hear us, Lord of life. Amen.

In particular please pray this week for **Katherine Swanson, Margaret Roff, Adri Cook, Dale McCullough** and **John Orme**.

Also, give thanks for those who are recovering and who have found God's peace.

Please remember those who have died recently, and pray for their families and friends. We also remember all those whose anniversaries fall at this time.

Weekly prayer for roads in the parish – **Morland Avenue**.

For further prayer requests which can be included in the weekly prayer list or anonymized and prayed for in private, please contact Revd Adrian adrian.jones@zoho.com or Jane administrator@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk

Holidays - Over the summer weeks the members of the clergy team will be taking holidays at various points. If you have an urgent pastoral need then please call other members of the team if one of us is not able to respond. Thank you!

St. Guthlac's Services

Sunday at 10.30am

27 th July	Morning Prayer	Revd Cecilia Adjadje
3 rd August	Eucharist	Revd Adrian Jones
10 th August	Matins	David Hunt
17 th August	Eucharist	Revd Cecilia Adjadje
24 th August	Morning Prayer	Fiona Wingate
Every Thursday at 9.30am		Holy Communion
Every Tuesday 9.30am at St. Mary's		Holy Communion

Blessing your donations & the Collection Plate

Now many people do planned-giving through their direct debit, it seems inappropriate to hand the collection plate round during a service. The collection plate now will be at the back of the church.

Please leave your donation as you come into the service. A steward or member of the congregation will take up the plate to the altar for all donations to be blessed during the 3rd / offertory hymn or at a suitable point in non-Eucharist services.

Virtual Compline 8.00pm Wednesday evenings

There will be **NO Compline on Wednesday 16th July.**

There will be virtual Compline services on all other Wednesdays in July at 8.00 as usual.

All are welcome. You can also join using a phone.

You can join the meeting from 7.50 pm.

On the computer click: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81118183080>

On the phone dial: 0203 481 5240 and follow the instructions.

You will be asked for a meeting ID. Put **811 1818 3080** followed by #

Holbrook Oasis

at St. Guthlac's Church,

Wednesdays 1.30-3.30pm Companionship, Conversation, Refreshment, Relaxation Open to all, especially young families, people living alone, older persons and if you are new to Leicester.

Tea, coffee and cakes provided.

Email; churchwardens@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk

EcoTip: Plastic Free July.

This is a great opportunity to review where you might be able to reduce single-use plastics in your life. Being part of Plastic Free July will help you find great alternatives that can become new habits forever.

Paying attention to what we consume and its effect on God's earth, can lead us not into guilt, but into action and prayerful determination to see change where it's possible. Read more about the effects of plastic at <https://arocha.org.uk/plastic-summer/>

Craft Workshops

The Knighton Christmas Tree Festival Team plan to run a series of Craft Workshops during the year. These will take place once a month on Tuesdays from 10.30-12.30 in St. Mary's Church, Knighton.

The next workshop will be held on Tuesday 15th July.

Gardening Party: Sunday 3rd August 2 - 4pm. You are invited to join us for a gardening party to do a bit of tidying up of the garden, beds and the hedge. Please do come along even if only for a chat and some company. If you're able please could you bring some tools with you for a bit of weeding of the beds. We'll keep an eye on the forecast and let you know if the plan changes. Look forward to seeing you there. **Fiona**

Congratulations! St. Mary's Church Administrator, James, and his partner Neill, are getting married on Saturday 19th July, in Rutland – and it's a pleasure to send them all my congratulations and best wishes for a great day, and a long and happy future together! *Adrian*

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FOR THE NEWSLETTER: Please send material to be included in the next newsletter by noon on Thursday to administrator@stguthlac-knighton.co.uk

Don't forget to visit the St. Guthlac's Facebook page and website <https://www.stguthlac-knighton.co.uk>

Newsletters on Line

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

St Guthlac's

<https://www.stguthlac-knighton.co.uk>

St Mary's

<https://www.stmarysknighton.co.uk>

Journey in Faith Course

What is the Journey in Faith Course?

A 3 term course that provides the time and space for people to:

- Grow in their knowledge of the Christian faith
- Deepen their relationship with God
- Explore how to live out faith in the whole of life

Who can join?

It is open to anyone—there is some reading to do between sessions but you don't need to have done any studying before.

What does a previous participant say?

"If you want to know more about yourself and your Christian faith, then Jif is the course for you. You'll be welcomed and challenged, affirmed and changed, and you'll definitely be glad you came."



Course Details

Introductory Session

Saturday 13th September
9.30-12.30 at St Martin's House

Course Venues

Monday evening	Nanpantan
Tuesday evening	Frisby on the Wreake
Wednesday evening	Ellistown
Wednesday evening	Knighton, Leicester



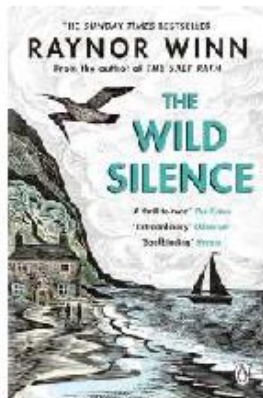
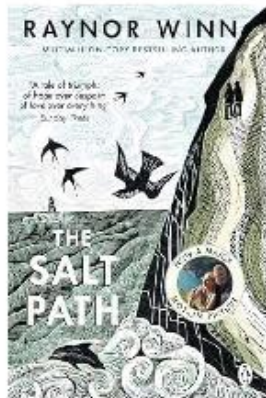
Please consider a donation of £40 per term to cover course costs

How do I join a course?

For more information email:
liz.rawlings@leicestercofe.org

To book a place:
visit the Hub or email
mmbookings@leicestercofe.org
stating your preferred venue

St Guthlac's Summer Read



Join us in reading one or more books by Raynor Winn

The Salt Path

Just days after Raynor learns that Moth, her husband of 32 years, is terminally ill, their home is taken away and they lose their livelihood. With nothing left and little time, they make the impulsive decision to walk the 630 miles of the sea-swept South West Coast Path, from Somerset to Dorset, via Devon and Cornwall. Carrying only the essentials for survival on their backs, they live wild in a remarkable journey.

The Wild Silence

But all journeys must end and when the couple return to civilisation they find that four walls feel like a prison, cutting them off from the sea and sky that sustained them. So when the chance to rewild an old Cornish farm comes their way, they grasp it, hoping they'll reconnect with the natural world and find themselves once again on its path . . .

Copies of the books will be available to borrow from St Guthlac's church and Holbrook Oasis café which meets every Wednesday between 1.30 – 3.30.

There will be an opportunity to meet to discuss the books on Tuesday 16th September at 7.00 (with tea & cakes)