



St Mary Magdalen Church of England, Knighton

Vicar - Revd Adrian Jones
Curate - Revd Neil Bullen

20th August 2017
10th Sunday after Trinity

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 20th August 10th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am Eucharist 10.00am Sung Eucharist
Monday 21st August Parish Office Closed	7.30pm Bell Ringing
Tuesday 22nd August	9.30am Eucharist
Wednesday 23rd August Parish Office Closed	1.00pm Tiny Tots (Narthex & Church)
Thursday 24th August	10.00am Thursday Club (Centre)
Friday 25th August	11.00am Holy Communion with Prayer for Healing 2.30pm MU Committee Meeting (Narthex)
Saturday 26th August	
Sunday 27 August 11th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am Eucharist 10.00am Sung Eucharist

The next All Age Service / 11.30am Eucharist will be on **Sunday 3rd September**.

The next Service of Holy Communion with Prayer for Healing will be at 10.45 am on **Friday 18th August**.

The Liturgy of the Word, Sunday 20th August 2017

Our Summer sermon series is called 'Following Jesus with Matthew.'

The Bible readings set for today are:

Isaiah 56.1,6-8 **'..my house shall be called a house of prayer....'**

Romans 11.1-2a, 29-32 **'....has God rejected his people?....'**

Matthew 15.(10-20) 21-28 **'...Woman, great is your faith!...'**

The sermon is titled: **'Grace goes International'**

THANKS My sincere thanks to all who sent lovely cards, messages and gave encouraging support during my prolonged stay in hospital. Hope to return very soon! Margarete

RICHARD BONNEY A celebration of Richard's life was held last week, led by Bishop Christopher. Donations in memory of Richard to: The Richard Bonney Literary Fund 2017. This fund will encourage and facilitate research, study and activity in the field that Richard was passionate about: multi-faith issues and religious tolerance. The aim of the fund is to enable access to academia for aspiring young scholars from around the world. The donations may be sent to A.C. James & Son, Independent Funeral Directors, 9 Biddulph Street, Leicester LE2 1BH Tel 2542900.

MEMORIAL SERVICE A Memorial Service for Mary Sarjeant is being held on **Monday 11th September** at 12.30 p.m. in St. Mary's Church. Mary was a long serving member of Mothers Union, and achieved her 50 years' membership shortly after moving to be near her son, Peter, in Devon earlier this year. Peter extends an invitation to attend the service, which will be followed by a buffet.

MOTHERS UNION St. Anne's Branch have invited us to their Annual Eucharist Service on **Tuesday 12th September** in the Church at 2.00 p.m. Should any members wish to attend who require transport, please contact Anne or Lorna.

HARVEST TEA: Saturday 30th September: tickets are now available, at a cost of £6 per person or £12 for a family, from Cora Paul (3678954) or Judi Stone (2881306) 4.30pm for 5pm at the Parish Centre, Activities for children
Menu: Jacket Potatoes with various fillings and salad / Dessert / Wine / Fruit juice / Tea / Coffee

VERY MANY THANKS to all those who contributed time, energy and ideas to the Busy Bees Holiday Club over the last week. With almost 40 children a day and a whole range of crafts, storytelling, music and games, it was a splendid way to share a simple Christian message through the story of Joseph and his brothers. Adrian

THANKS Many thanks to all those who have kindly donated, to the Social Group, sheets and tablecloths surplus to their requirements. You have all been very generous. Judi.



RED POPPY SEEDS NEEDED If you have any spare red poppy seeds that we can use as part of the Armistice centenary, please bring them to church and hand them to either Ida Stanyer or Sue Holligan. Thank you.

PARISH QUIET DAY AT THE ROSMINI CENTRE SATURDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER

We are pleased that the Reverend Liz Wilson has agreed to lead our Quiet Day this year. The Rev. Liz is curate at St. Denys, Evington and those of us who met her at St. Mary's during the interregnum know that she will challenge us with much to reflect upon.

The outline of the day will be as follows:

10.00am	Arrival & Coffee	1.45pm	Session 2
10.30am	Prayers	2.30pm	Free Time
11.00am	Session 1	3.00pm	Holy Eucharist
11.45am	Free Time	3.30pm	Tea
12.30pm	Lunch	4.00pm	Leave

The cost of the day will be £10 to include coffee and biscuits on arrival, soup at lunch time (please bring your own sandwiches) and cake and tea at about 3.30pm.

There is a list at the back of the church for those who would like to join us for the Quiet Day.

THANKS to all the members who kindly contribute their loose change into the plastic bottle labelled "Grifaid " Safe Water Trust, which is at the back of the church. There is a copy of an article on the table beside the bottle, which gives a first hand account of the impact of Aquafilters on a slum in Mbale, Uganda. Jeremy and Doreen Macafee

THE GREENBELT FESTIVAL OF MUSIC AND ARTS is a longstanding feature of the Christian summer calendar, and for the last few years has been taking place over the August Bank Holiday weekend in the grounds of Boughton House, Kettering. There is an extensive programme of contemporary music, arts activities, workshops and talks by Christian writers, leaders and artists - all of whom seek to link faith with society and culture today. Many people (including our family) camp for the weekend, but many others come as day visitors. If you'd like to know more then do talk to us or visit the website www.greenbelt.org.uk We'll happily meet up and show you around! Adrian

Memory Cafes: Knighton & Holbrook

These informal cafes are for people, living at home, with dementia and their families/carers. The cafes provide an opportunity to meet up, share experiences and learn in a relaxed, socially supportive and friendly environment.

Refreshments are provided. The cafes are supported by the Alzheimer's Society and run at St Guthlac's church and St Thomas More Community Rooms.

If you know someone who would be helped by these cafes please let them know that the next 2 sessions will be:

Wednesday 23rd August 1.30pm

Linda Harding from Leicester Arts will bring memorabilia on the theme 'Afternoon Tea' to encourage reminiscences and discussion.

Friday 8th September 1.30pm at St Guthlac's

'What if'... session when Nita Devadhai will discuss what to do when problems arise.

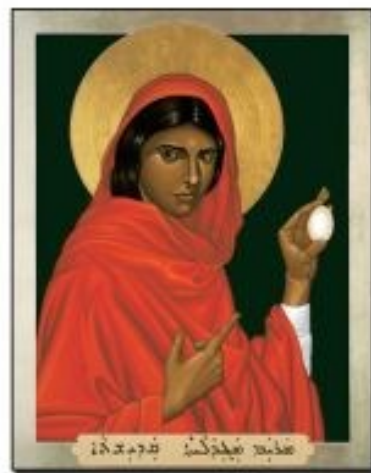
For further information please call **Nita Devabhai on 0116 231 6926**

PARISH MAGAZINE The next issue of the magazine will be published in mid September. All contributions are gratefully received. Please ensure they reach me at stmaryknighton.magazine@gmail.com by **31st August**. Thank you. Nigel

OPEN THE BOOK is a project that aims to bring the Bible to life for every child in every primary school. Teams of church volunteers act out Bible stories in school assemblies using specially written scripts and a lot of fun. Currently there are over 13,000 volunteers in hundreds of teams across the UK. I have been involved in Open the Book for many years and will be attending a meeting of the Leicestershire Network of groups, at St Martin's House by the Cathedral, from 10am-1pm on **Thursday 31st August**. If Open the Book sounds like something that might be for you then do talk to me about it and perhaps join me at the meeting. There are some leaflets at the back of church on the leaflet table too. For more details go to www.openthebook.net Adrian

OUR NEW ICON OF ST MARY MAGDALEN -

at our Patronal Festival two weeks ago we dedicated our new icon of Mary Magdalen, which I hope you agree is a striking and memorable image. Icons are not objects of veneration themselves but aim to inspire us to contemplate our own faith and life of discipleship in the light of the person they portray - this often leads us to pray in a fresh way. Several people have asked for more information about our icon and the artist, so there are information sheets on the leaflet table at the back of the church. Please feel free to take one of the paper copies but do leave the laminated copies for future visitors. Adrian.



OPENING THE CHURCH: The Wardens and clergy have agreed that we should try to keep the church building open to visitors and passers-by more often and would like to run a trial, opening the Church building on Tuesdays, between 9am and 4pm, on **12th, 19th and 26th September**. Whilst open we will need volunteers, preferably two at a time, to talk to visitors and keep an eye on things. If you would like to help us in this trial then do please sign up on the sheets pinned to the blue notice board at the back of church.

WELFORD ROAD TEMPORARY CLOSURE ADJACENT TO ST MARY'S (BRINSMEAD ROAD) The City Council have announced that a section of the Welford Road, between Aberdale Road and Knighton Lane East/ Chapel Lane will be closed for resurfacing and new traffic control measures, from 13th - 28th August. At the time of writing there is no southbound access to Brinsmead Road. It is possible to turn right into Brinsmead Road northbound i.e. towards the city. Patrick Holligan, Churchwarden

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: stewardship@knightonparish.co.uk 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

CHANGES TO MID-WEEK SERVICES

Below is a copy of my recent letter to members of our Friday congregation. Please do talk to me about these changes if you would like to. Adrian.



St Mary Magdalen Church
Knighton



18th August 2017

Dear Friends from the Friday Eucharist,

I write to tell you that the Church Wardens and I met recently to discuss the pattern of midweek services across the two parishes of the benefice, and we have reluctantly come to the conclusion that it is now too difficult for our clergy to support three services each week, one at St Guthlac's on a Thursday morning and the two at St Mary's on Tuesday and Friday. With regret we have decided that we need to try a new pattern of services that does not include a Friday Eucharist most weeks. **Friday 1st September** will therefore be the last ordinary Friday Eucharist.

I know that this will be a profound disappointment to you but I hope that you will understand we have not reached this conclusion lightly, and that you may be able to come to one of the other midweek services instead if this suits you.

The Wardens and I were also in agreement, however, that the monthly healing and requiem services should be continued in a combined form, including the Eucharist, on the last Friday of each month. The first of these new Services for Healing will be on **Friday 29th September at 11am**, and I hope that you will be able to come. We will be publicising the service more widely too, since others may well find it helpful.

We will take the opportunity of the last ordinary service on 1st September to give thanks for all that God has done across the years through this regular time of worship. In the meantime please do talk to me more about this change if you would find it helpful.

Yours in friendship and in Christ's service,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adrian". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Rev'd Adrian Jones

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 Lambourne Road, Fairholme Road, Cairnsford Road, Ferndale Road, and Northdene Road.

We give thanks to God for the wedding of David and Tracey Prescod (12th August) and for the baptism of Cordelia Tessa Appleton (13th August).

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

Paul Matthews
Alison Prior

Margaret Wan

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:

Dianne Tranter
Elsie Whiting

Revd Richard Bonney
Baby Daryl Williams



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