

# St Mary Magdalen Church of England, Knighton

Vicar - Revd Adrian Jones
Curate - Revd Neil Bullen
Curate on Placement - Revd Dave Hendra

29th July 2018 Trinity 9

## **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. On the next page of this newsletter you'll find all the essential information you might need for this morning's service.

# Congratulations

Neil and Jackie are pleased to announce the safe arrival of their first grandchild on Thursday 19th July. Baby **Parker William** weighed in at 9lbs 2. Mother and son are doing well. The family are now home.



## **Invitation to Organ Enthusiasts!**

Andrew Kirk from St Mary Redcliffe in Bristol will be giving an Organ Recital at Leicester Cathedral on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> July at 7.30pm

with large screen projection. Tickets £7.50 at the door.

Many thanks Lorna & Michael



#### **ABOUT OUR SERVICES**

- 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 10.00 am service for tea or coffee and introduce yourself to some of us.

## Listening to God's Word, Sunday 29th July 2018

Our Bible readings at our services are:

2 Kings 4.42-end

**Ephesians 3.14-end** 

John 6.1-21

The sermon title today is "Truth that sings"

#### DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 29th July Trinity 9	8.00am 10.00am 1.30pm	Eucharist Sung Eucharist Holy Baptism
Monday 30th July	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice
Tuesday 31st July	9.30am	Eucharist
Wednesday 1st August PARISH OFFICE CLOSED		
Thursday 2nd August	10.00am 2.00pm	Thursday Morning Club Buildings Group Meeting (Narthex)
Friday 3rd August	8.00am	SLCP Prayers (Clarendon Park Congregational Church)
Saturday 4th August		
Sunday 5th August Trinity 10	8.00am 10.00am 11.30am	Eucharist Sung Eucharist Church Picnic

The next monthly Service of Prayer for Healing with Communion will be held on **Friday 31st August at 11.00am**.

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(The Parish Office is open **Monday**, **Tuesday**, **Thursday** and **Friday** from 9.30am until 2.30pm, unless stated differently in the diary above.)

The office is closed on **Wednesdays**.

**WEST DOORS** The West Doors are being painted and the painter will be onsite for a couple of days this week. Simon Britton

CHURCH SPIRE UPDATE: Many of you will remember that we have been advised to have repair work done on the church spire and the Buildings Group have been trying to find ways of bringing down the prospective cost, which might be between £150-200,000. A Specialist Consulting Engineer has recently advised that the repairs need to be made with 'moderate urgency' and will certainly require the scaffolding which makes up the bulk of the cost. We can now ask the Church Architect to draw up the specifications for the work, which in turn will allow us to make applications to grant-making bodies and ultimately to invite tenders from specialist building repair companies. I am grateful to Paul Bonnett for pursuing these grant applications for us. We will give you regular updates on our progress. Adrian

### **URGENTLY SEEKING.....NEW MEMBERS OF THE BUILDINGS GROUP:**

Do you care about our Church building and Parish Centre? Would you like to help us as we look after our buildings? Do you have experience of buildings maintenance or improvement, or of health and safety monitoring? If you can answer 'yes' to any of these questions then we could use you as a member of the Buildings Group of the PCC! Please talk to Adrian or Neil about joining us.

**SOUTH LEICESTER CHRISTIAN PARTNERSHIP (SLCP)** First Friday Prayers. Friday 3 August, 2018, 8-8.30 am at Clarendon Park Congregational Church, on London Road/Springfield Road corner. Everyone welcome. Flick

**WW1** The Portfolio for **Private 2711 Walter Edgar Swan,** Royal Army Medical Corps, is available at the back of church for you to read and take home. Information supplied by Barry Whitehead.

# WW1 CENTENARY Keep the dates free!

We are looking for people to steward the display that will be shown on 10th and 11th November. Can you help by giving 2 hours of your time? Sign up sheet at back of church. Thank you - The Display team.

**CHURCHYARD MATTERS:** The PCC had a good discussion about all the issues connected to the maintenance of the churchyard by the City Council and what we need to do now in order to improve things.

The maintenance is their responsibility and not done under a contract to us, so we need to proceed through diplomatic discussion. We will be asking for much more information about the standards that the Council are working to and the frequency and nature of the work that they will do over the course of each year.

We will be clarifying the roles that volunteers can play in churchyard maintenance, especially in attending to weeds on individual graves, which technically are the responsibility of families rather than Church or Council. These weeds need to be controlled by spraying in the near future, so if you know of families with loved ones in the 'modern' part of the churchyard (to the south/right of the main drive as you approach the church) perhaps you could let them know of our intention.

If you would like to join our 'churchyard champions' in working to make things better please do let Neil know so that you can be included in emails and meetings. Many thanks for everyone's patience and understanding as we work to improve the churchyard. *Adrian* 

**'SUSPENDED'** Leicester Cathedral This is a stunning and deeply moving installation by the distinguished war artist Arabella Dorman, composed of 700 pieces of clothing discarded by refugees on their arrival at the Greek island of Lesbos. Leicester is privileged to host this installation, which was first shown in St James', Piccadilly and later in Canterbury Cathedral. Viewing is free, during Cathedral opening times, and continues until 28th August.

**TOILET TWINNING** Thank you for your generous contributions. The certificates have now arrived and can be seen at the back of Church.

### WISDOM FROM THE WORLD CHURCH

"If you are too busy to pray, you are busier than God wants you to be"

Wanda E. Brunstetter

MOTHERS' UNION BREAKFAST BOXES APPEAL This year BREAKFAST BOXES (LEICESTER) are providing food for those families who would usually rely on free breakfast clubs and free school meals at school each day for food. The scheme is for severely under privileged school aged children in Leicester and they rely on the good will of the general public to provide the breakfast food items for whole of the six weeks of the school holidays. Examples of items needed are: boxes of cereals, long-life milk, dried fruit, cereal bars, biscuits, tinned fruit, jam, marmalade, honey, chocolate spread and peanut butter. There is a box near the west door for any items you may wish to donate.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS** Margot Comer has moved house and her new address is available from the Parish Office.

**MARIE CURIE** Thanks to everyone who came to enjoy the Blooming Great Tea Party. A wonderful amount of £1084 was raised. Shirley Wills.

# **Picnic Invitation**

Come and join the families and friends of St Mary's Church at a special picnic on **Sunday 5th August 2018.** 

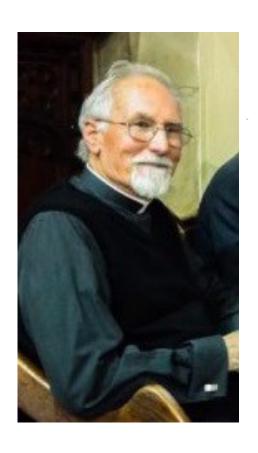
Please bring some picnic food and drink to share.

We'll meet from 11.30am in Church Lane Gardens (the little park by the Church). If wet, we'll retreat to the Parish Centre.

After lunch, there will be games and activities for all.

(NB there is no All Age Worship at St Mary's on this day, but there will be Sunday Club for children during the 10.00am service)





## The Rev'd. T. Robin MARTIN

(Fr. Robin) 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of ordination as priest
Thanksgiving for pastoral ministry
EUCHARIST - MASS at Leicester Cathedral
in the presence of the Bishop of Richborough
The Rt. Rev'd. Norman Banks

18.00 hrs Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2018

All Welcome

**TEAS IN GAULBY CHURCH** Saturdays - 2.30pm - 4.30pm Homemade scones and cakes, tea and coffee. Come join us for fun, food and good company. *Hilary Painter* 

**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.

**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

### Please pray.....

'And this is the boldness we have in him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us' 1 John 5. 14

**Praying for the World:** Please pray for Athens, for all those affected by the ongoing fires, and those who have lost loved ones and homes through this disaster. Beyond Athens please pray for all who are endangered by heatwaves throughout Europe and beyond. Please also pray for a reduction in violence, corruption, famine and human trafficking in all areas affected.

**Praying for the Church:** Please pray for the church around the world, for trust to be re-established between church and parishioners where clergy have acted in ways they shouldn't have. Please pray for tolerance in Pakistan, so that Christians and individuals of other faiths and none may feel and be safe from hatred and oppression. Please give thanks for the churches' opportunity to engage with the community in the upcoming WW1 commemoration events.

Praying for the Parish: Ratcliffe Road, Sackville Gardens, College Court, Queens Road, Eton Close, Harrow Place.

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

Helen Nicholls Mavis Mason Leckie Orr Lee Elkington Kathryn Beck Dave Terry Cocks Peter Laurie Jarvis Helen

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:

William Henry Marjorie Cawthorne Audrey King Sheila Reynolds

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