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**St Mary Magdalen Church
Church of England, Knighton**

Sunday 17th November 2019

**Our service leader today is the Revd Matthew Gough
and our preacher is the Revd Adrian Jones.**

Welcome to Morning Worship

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.



**A PRAYER FOR THE
2019 GENERAL ELECTION**

God of grace and truth,
send your Spirit to guide us
as we discover your will for our country.
Help us to discuss the issues before us
with courtesy, truth and mutual respect,
and grant that all who stand for parliament
will seek to serve the common good,
through him who came not to be served
but to serve,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



ABOUT OUR SERVICES

- Our worship follows the printed order of service 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 main 10am service, Sunday Club for children meets in the Narthex as usual; the children go to their Club after 'A Word for the Children'.
- As part of the 8.00am 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.
- You are welcome to join Adrian for a short time of prayer before the main service: 9.30-9.45am at the front of the Lady Chapel (the chapel on the left).
- 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

Our Bible readings today are:

Psalm 145 & John 8.1-11

Today's title is "Has no-one condemned you?"

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 17th November 2nd Sunday before Advent	8.00am Eucharist 10.00am Morning Worship
Monday 18th November Parish Office Closed	2.15pm Funeral 7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice
Tuesday 19th November	9.30am Eucharist, St Mary's 10.00am Christmas Tree Festival Display Team meeting
Wednesday 20th November	8.30am Pop Up Deli / Celtic Prayer
Thursday 21st November	9.30am Eucharist, St Guthlac's
Friday 22nd November	
Saturday 23rd November	
Sunday 24th November Christ the King	8.00am Eucharist 10.00am Sung Eucharist

The next monthly service of Prayer for Healing with Communion will be held on **Friday 29th November** at 11am.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: COMMUNITY COFFEE AND CHAT:

First Friday of the month 10.30am-12pm in the welcome area of St Guthlac's Church. 6th Dec You are invited to join members of the Friday morning JuVup exercise class (held in Holbrook Hall for all ages and abilities) and other local people for refreshments and a friendly chat. Hosted by St Guthlac's Church. Everyone welcome. Enquiries to Lesley Meakin 2103690



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

InSPIREd

The campaign to save our spire

InSpired - our appeal for the spire

The Spire Group is continuing to work on an exciting programme of events which we hope will attract people from all over the community. Please tell your friends and neighbours about all our events as they are announced.

InSpired News

Online giving

It is now possible to donate to the appeal online. Just go to the parish website and follow the link. This is an easy, efficient way for people who live further away to contribute, so please pass this information on to any of your friends who care about the future of St Mary's.

Your Spire Fund-raising Group are: Nigel Siesage, Adrian Jones, Sue Holligan, Sian Howard, Lorna Kirk, Michael Kirk.

Donations for the Spire Fund

We continue to receive some very generous donations. Cheques for the Spire should be made out to Knighton PCC, but make it clear that they are for the Spire, by writing 'Spire Fund' on the back of the cheque.

If you already give to the church with Gift Aid, it will be possible to claim it on spire donations. Please speak to Lorna Pollard for advice if you have any questions about this.

Also, there are Spire Fund Appeal blue envelopes available for you to use in the pews, if you wish to use this method in addition to your regular giving in the unmarked envelopes. If you are a tax payer and complete the envelope, your gift will increase by 25%. Many thanks. *Nigel*

ONE NIGHT ONLY

in St Mary Magdalen Church

Faith Tucker



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INTERNATIONAL CLASSICAL CROSSOVER STAR

Britain's Got Talent 2019

IN CONCERT

ALL PROCEEDS TO THE St MARY MAGDALEN

SPIRE APPEAL

FRIDAY 13th DECEMBER 7.30 TICKETS £10.00 CHILDREN £5.00

Tickets are available from : Aileen Orme 0116 2745221

Judi & Bernard Stone 0116 2881306

Lorna & Michael Kirk 0116 2707843

Andrew & Carolyn Oldershaw 0116 2889925

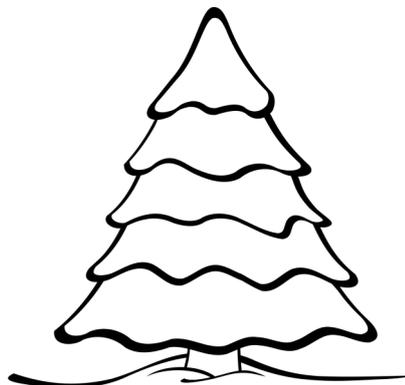
Christmas Tree Festival 2019

OUR LAST MEETING will be Tuesday 19th November at 10.00am in the Narthex. Refreshments team will be led by Sue Bonnett. Display team will be in the church finalising placement of the trees. Coffee, cake and biscuits afterwards!

RAFFLE TICKETS 6 super prizes . Tickets are available from either Anne Squires or Sue Holligan. Please return all sold ticket stubs and money to Sue Holligan by Friday 6th December. Thank you.

HELP NEEDED Can you offer an hour or more to be help staff the Christmas Tree Festival? Please sign up on the rota at the back of church. Thanks! *Alison Roche*

CAKE Sue Holligan has been loaned a Christmas tree shaped cake tin. Her cake turned out like a scone! Are you a good baker? Can you make a cake for the Christmas tree weekend? Please contact Sue if you can help.



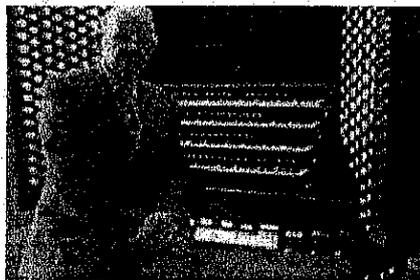
FAIRTRADE ADVENT CALENDARS are available to collect from Alison Roche after church today and the following Sundays with your payment of £3.99 each. Thanks.

ADVENT STUDY GROUP - "Humbug and Happiness"

This year, our Advent Study Group takes the theme of 'Humbug and Happiness' from 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens. Each week we will explore different aspects of Advent by watching clips from the 1953 classic film *A Christmas Carol* starring Alistair Sim, and discussing some questions that link to our Christian faith. Everybody is welcome to join us on Wednesday mornings (27th Nov, 4th , 11th , 18th Dec), 10.00am until 11.30am at the home of Doreen White. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church. See you then!

Adrian

Organ and Piano Concert



Ian Orr - Organ

Nikki Booth - Piano



A concert of organ and piano duet music including some well-known popular pieces.

Saturday 23rd November 2019

4pm

St. Thomas' Church, South Wigston

Tickets available on the door

£7 (£5 concessions)

All proceeds go towards the St. Thomas' Church Organ Maintenance Fund.

Public Meeting

Crime Prevention and Community Safety



Speaker: Lord Willy Bach

Lord Bach is Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland

He will address concerns of local residents about a recent upsurge in property crime.

A colleague from the Police Service will advise how we can protect our community from crime.

Thursday 28th November, 7.30 pm

**St Mary Magdalen Church,
Brinsmead Road, Knighton, LE2 3WG**

Entry free All are welcome Tea/coffee served



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MOTHERS UNION

At our November meeting we look forward to a presentation by Elizabeth Bacon on The Welcome Project. We meet in the Parish Centre Lounge on Tuesday, 26th November, starting at 2.15 p.m., where friends and visitors are also welcome.

DING DONG MERRILY ON HIGH

St Mary's bellringers will be displaying a tree at the forthcoming Christmas Tree Festival and would very much appreciate your help with its decoration. We need a few more BELL baubles - no prizes for guessing the theme of our tree! If any of you have this shape of bauble and would be willing to get them out of the loft early and lend them to us for this occasion please speak to me, Simon Britton or Ros Astles.

Many thanks. *Beverley Jarrom*

SCARGILL SUMMERFEST 2020

Scargill Summerfest bookings are now open. Come and join Adrian & Alison & family for fun, faith, food, fabulous company & countryside at Summerfest 3: Sat 8th - Thur 13th Aug 2020. A variety of accommodation from full-board ensuite to camping in beautiful Wharfedale. There is something for all ages at this very special Christian community in Yorkshire. See noticeboard for more details - places go quickly! We can also show you a short video.



Scargill Movement
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CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

St Mary Magdalen

Christmas Bazaar

In aid of THE SPIRE FUND

On

Saturday 30th November 2019

11.00 am until 2. 00 pm

in

THE KNIGHTON PARISH CENTRE,
CHURCH LANE, LEICESTER LE2 3WG

STALLS TO INCLUDE: CHRISTMAS GIFTS + CARDS & CRAFTS +
+ TOILETRIES + CAKES + 'POSH TAT'

BOTTLE STALL + TOMBOLA +

RAFFLE + JEWELLERY +

FACE PAINTING + HATS & SCARVES + GARDEN ITEMS

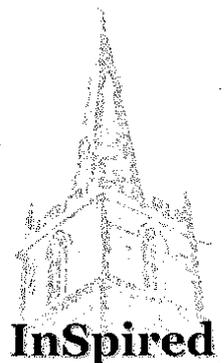
Refreshments available:

Bacon and Sausage Baps (vegetarian alternative) +

Cakes + Tea + Coffee

Admission £1.00 Accompanied Children Free

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

The office is closed on **Mondays**.

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. *If you are giving by bank standing order, yellow tokens are available at services to put on the plate, should you wish.*

Scheme details can be obtained from Lorna Pollard, Planned Giving Scheme Secretary: telephone 0116 2704272 or e mail:

stmarysknighton.giving@gmail.com. If you are a taxpayer and gift aid your giving, our church can claim an additional 25%.

 **CHEQUES FOR ST MARY'S** Please make cheques for St Mary's payable to **Knighton PCC**.

Please pray.....

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5.16-18)

Give thanks: for those who work in the nation's Care Homes and for the time and attention they give to residents and families.

Praying for the World: Please pray for those caught up in people trafficking and modern-day slavery. Pray for those who work for their freedom and those who work to eliminate the living conditions that often drive desperate people in poorer countries to seek dangerous ways out.

Praying for the Church: Please pray for the six Resourcing Churches in our diocese, for their leaders, and for the nine new worshipping communities about to launch. Pray that God will call new people to be pioneers of new ways to be the church in our diocese.

Praying for the Parish : This week please pray for those who live on:
**Southland Road, Portisdown Road, Ventnor Road South,
Wimbourne Road, Ring Road, Ryde Avenue.**

We pray for all those who are unwell at the moment, whether in body. mind or spirit, and all those with troubling investigations and diagnoses. In particular we pray for **Lee Elkington, Maurice Allen, Beryl Holman, "a friend"**, and all those on our parish 'Continuing Prayer' list. May they know the power of God's healing love at work in their lives today.

Give thanks for those who have been healed and restored.

We remember those who have died recently and pray for their families and friends.

Names will remain on the prayer list here for three weeks - please let us know if they should then be moved to the 'Continuing Prayer' list used for Intercessions during the week.