

St Mary Magdalen Church of England, Knighton

Vicar - Revd Adrian Jones

Sunday 28th April 2019

2nd Sunday of Easter

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.

Please pray for the people of Sri Lanka -

The terrible news from Sri Lanka last Sunday, and the shock of the death toll from the bomb attacks, predominantly on Christians at worship, have made a huge impact over recent days.

The attacks threaten to destabilise Sri Lanka and its delicate balance between religious communities. They also demonstrate that around the world Christians daily face danger and persecution for their faith.

All of this may seem very far from our own lives, and it is right that we should thank God for the peace and relative tolerance that we experience in the UK. However these Christians are part of the one world-wide community, even 'family', of Jesus - and therefore are brothers and sisters in faith to us.

Please pray for reconciliation and peace in Sri Lanka, for comfort for those who mourn, and that forgiveness and love will mark all our responses. Pray also that we will all remember our Easter faith in the triumph of life over death, and of love over hate, that we see in Jesus himself.

During our service today there will be an opportunity for us to remember together the people of Sri Lanka and those who died.

Adrian

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.
- 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.

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

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 28th April 2nd Sunday of Easter	8.00am 10.00am	Eucharist Sung Eucharist
Monday 29th April Parish Office Closed	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice
Tuesday 30th April	9.30am	Eucharist, St Mary's
Wednesday 1st May		
Thursday 2nd May	9.30am	Eucharist, St Guthlac's
Friday 3rd May	10.00am	Buildings Group meeting
Saturday 4th May		
Sunday 5th May 3rd Sunday of Easter	8.00am 10.00am 11.30am	Eucharist All Age Worship Eucharist

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

Bluebell Walk

Sunday 4th May leave church after tea/coffee (bring packed lunch) to go to Outwoods. Go to Woodhouse Eaves, turn left on to Beacon Road then right up Breakback Road. Pay car park £1 on right at top of hill (about 0.5 miles). Suggest car share Margaret and Jeanette 0116 2707842.

Listening to God's Word

Our Bible readings today are:

Acts 5.27-32, Revelation 1.4-8 and John 20.19-end

Today's theme is: "Alpha and Omega"

CHANGING SERVICE PATTERN AT ST GUTHLAC'S: The PCC of St Guthlac's have offered to change their pattern of services after Easter to provide a better provision Sunday by Sunday across the whole benefice. The changes will ensure that there is a Communion service at one of the two churches every Sunday, and at the same time a different service at the other church. I am very grateful to the St Guthlac's PCC for taking this step as it will help us all. The service times remain 10am for St Mary's and 10.30am for St Guthlac's. The 8am Communion at St Mary's will continue as normal. Adrian

The new monthly pattern from after Easter will therefore be:

1st Sunday	St Guthlac's Eucharist	St Mary's All Age Worship
2nd Sunday	St Guthlac's All Age Worship	St Mary's Sung Eucharist
3rd Sunday	St Guthlac's Eucharist	St Mary's Morning Worship
4th Sunday	St Guthlac's Morning Prayer	St Mary's Sung Eucharist

CHRISTIAN AID AFRICA CYCLONE APPEAL: £700 [with £164 Gift Aid to be added] has been sent to this appeal, to help those affected by Cyclone Idai in Zimbabwe and Malawi. Many thanks for your generosity.

PARISH MAGAZINE. The copy deadline for the May issue of the Parish Magazine is Tuesday 30th April. I hope to have it issued by 17th May. All contributions relevant to parish and church life are welcome. If you attended events in March and April, please consider providing reports and photographs. Copy should be sent to stmaryknighton.magazine@gmail.com. Thank you. Nigel Siesage

CHRISTIAN AID Week 12th- 18th May 2019

We have 13 roads in the parish still in need of a willing volunteer to deliver and collect Christian Aid envelopes this year. Please add your name to the sign up sheet at the back of church if you can help or contact Ida Stanyer or Rosalind Astles if you need more information, we would be very grateful. YOU can make a difference to peoples lives. Thank you.



**Michael & Lorna Kirk invite you to their
COFFEE MORNING**

On SATURDAY 11 MAY 10.30am - 12.30

At 46 Shirley Road Leicester

Plants - Cakes - Raffle

Refreshments : £2.00 :

for Church funds



Word for the Way

"One of my big beefs is that the vast majority of people read the Bible just in the little bit that they read in church. You have a little five-verse chunk then off you go.

It's like reading a novel half a page at a time.

You miss out some of the key things if you do that" - Paula Gooder

ANNUAL STATEMENTS There are still some letters at the back of church. Apologies if I have inadvertently missed anyone. Please ask if you need more information. LP

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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**.

AMANDA'S APPEAL CHARITY CAR WASH

SUNDAY 28th April



Venue: 68 Meadvale Road, LE2 3WL

Time: 9.30a.m. to 2.30p.m.

Deal: £5 per car wash - cuppa and pastry included

Amanda has a rare form of cancer & she needs 100k for immunotherapy.

Fundraising efforts have been amazing and we're nearly there!

So we're doing another car wash...

Bring your car along to ours on Sunday 28th and we'll wash it for a fiver.

We'll even give you a cuppa & a pastry while you wait!

If you'd like to know more about Amanda you can read her story at

amandasappeal.wordpress.com

Or donate directly at

[justgiving.com/campaigns/charity/just4children/amandasappeal](https://www.justgiving.com/campaigns/charity/just4children/amandasappeal)

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Organ Concert



James Gutteridge

Director of Music
St Mary's Parish Church
Melton Mowbray

Saturday 20th July 2019

4.00pm

St Mary's Church, Knighton

Tickets available soon

Concert approx. one hour followed by tea and cakes

More information to follow.

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 standing order as part of our Planned Giving 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%.

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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)

Praying for the World: Please pray for all those who need the power of resurrection and new life in their suffering. Remember the people of Sri Lanka, Yemen, Syria, Mozambique and Venezuela.

Praying for the Church: Please pray that Christians everywhere will know the joy of Christ's resurrection today and be strengthened for the challenges of 21st century life.

Praying for the Parish : This week please pray for those who live on:
**Ratcliffe Road, Sackville Gardens, College Court, Queens Road,
Eton Close, Harrow Place.**

We pray for all those who are unwell at the moment, whether in body, mind or spirit. In particular we pray for **David and 'B'** 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.