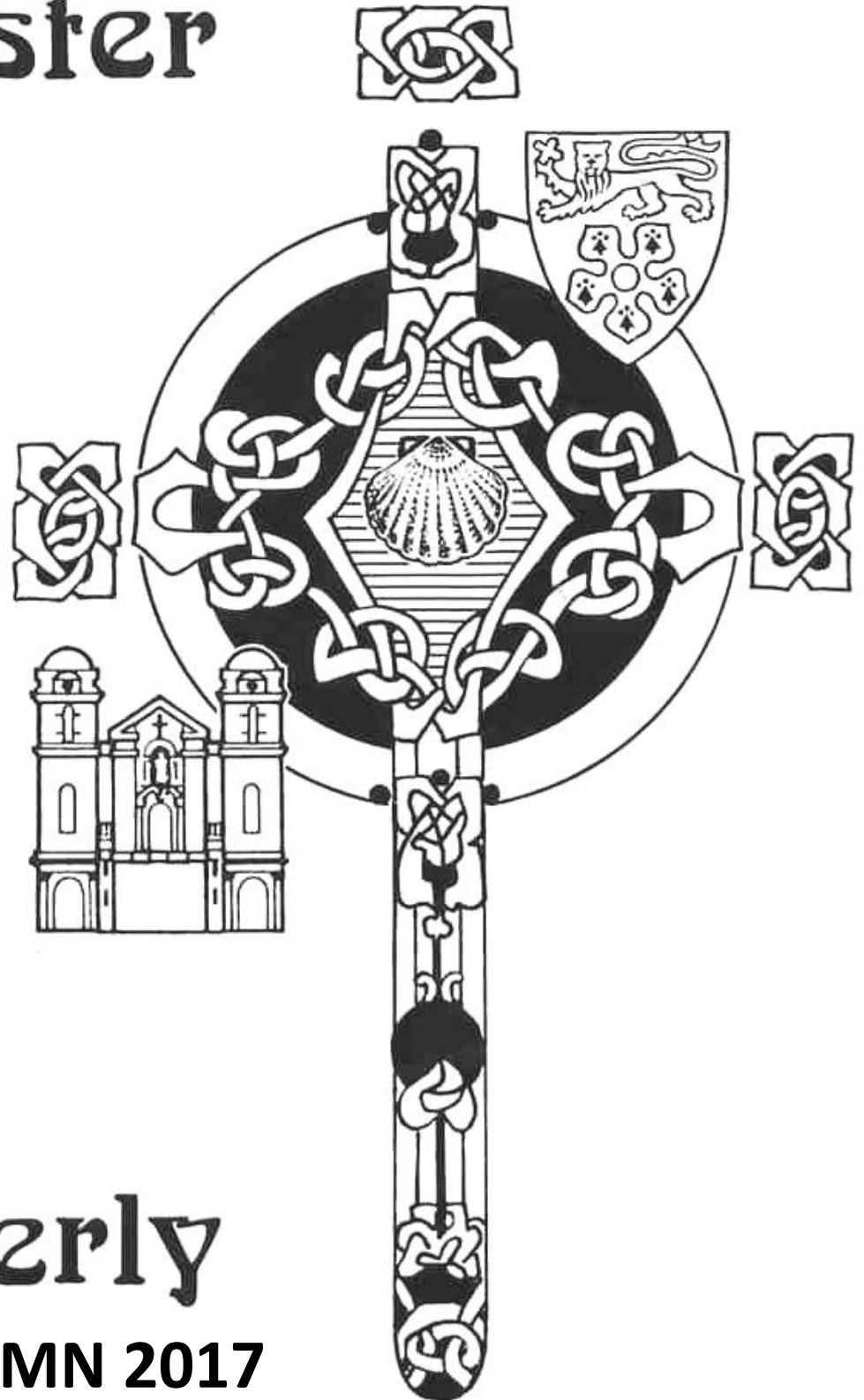


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## **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

**8.30 am Holy Communion    10.30 am Choral Eucharist**  
**6.30 pm Choral Evensong & Sermon**

### **A CHILDREN'S SUNDAY CLUB**

in the Church Hall in school term time starting off in church at **10.30 am**

### **MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION**

**10.15 am Thursdays**

**See Calendar for variations and details of services on saints' days**

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please see page 8 for Induction and Collation details

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# A message from the Church Wardens

Autumn is now here. A time to admire the beauty of the natural world in all its glory. The leaves as they change to glorious hues of red, gold and brown before accepting the embrace of gravity, their work done. The birds as they incite our envy by heading to warmer climes for the winter. A time also to reflect on the summer months that lie behind us and to ready ourselves for the shortening days and the winter that beckons.



So we at St James prepare ourselves for the coming months. Christmas cards have already been on sale for some weeks and shopkeepers invite us to part with a portion of our income as a means of celebrating Halloween and Bonfire Night. We look forward to the celebration of Christmas and to Andrew, our new Vicar, joining us in the New Year.

The Quinquennial, a five yearly inspection to ensure that the fabric of the church buildings is maintained to a good standard, has recently been completed. This is necessary for our safety and to preserve our lovely church for the benefit of generations to come. The likely cost of the urgent exterior works is to be in the region of £55,000. In addition to this, there is further work to be carried out over the next five year period. We will try to minimise disruption but please bear with us whilst the work is being completed.

Finally, it just remains for us to thank you all for your support during the interregnum. Special thanks must go to our own Ministry Team and to those from outside our church who have kept the services going as normal during this period.

**With best wishes to you all,  
Keith Vaughan and Julia Walker**

# CHOIR TOUR 2017: Benedictine Abbeys of the West Country Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> July

by David Clark.

What a treat!

I was invited to join St James the Greater Choir for their annual tour, not as a member of staff, but as a supernumerary bass. Relieved of responsibility, I enjoyed, hugely, the company – forty of us for the most part – the places, the visits, and of course, the music. We all had fun (I think); nobody got drowned; it was a holiday with music.

Many thanks to Matt our Director, who had prepared well beforehand a comprehensive Tour Schedule with the places for music and options for the relaxing two days' visits and activities, complete with enticing photos. I opted for the Dart Valley (Steam) Railway and Boat Cruises on Tuesday, and the Sharpham Vineyard Wine Tour and Cheese Tasting on Wednesday. The latter was a morning spent in the vineyards of the rolling Devon countryside, followed by a sunny afternoon trip down river back to Dartmouth and the steam train back to Paignton. For the whole tour, we had just two places for accommodation: Bath University modern student en suite single rooms for 2 nights, and the Waterside static Caravan Holiday Park just outside Paignton, for 4 nights. The former was excellent; the latter adequate, and I didn't fall out of the narrow bed. With two or three cooks among our complement of five persons, we ate well.

## **Glorious buildings and beautiful worship.**

The tour was presented as 'Benedictine Monasteries, Abbeys and Churches of the West Country'. Saturday at Tewkesbury Abbey was the first: a glorious medieval building with a wonderful acoustic (they all were). We were also greeted by Sue and Glynn Richerby, looking happy and relaxed, eight months into retirement. We sang Wood in D for the setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, and the anthem *I saw a new heaven and a new earth* by Edgar Bainton (the English Brahms).



*Tewksbury Abbey*





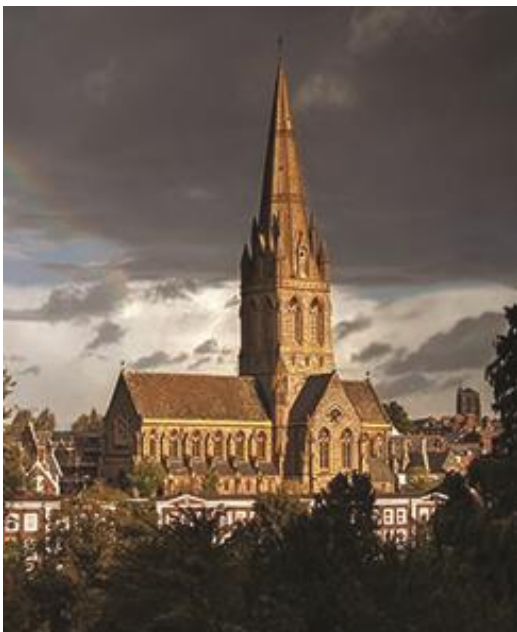
*Bath Abbey*

At Bath Abbey on Sunday, worship at the morning Eucharist and afternoon Evensong were lovely occasions. The place was heaving with tourists, many of whom attended both services. The music for the Eucharist was Byrd's 4-part Mass, perfect for the Renaissance surroundings. At Evensong the anthem was that stunningly beautiful *Greater Love* by John Ireland.

The next day at Sherborne Abbey we were met by Patrick Revell, the priest who was to lead Evensong. He had been a curate at St James many years before, and he lead our service with a quiet dignity. From the ranks of the choir, our conductor, Amalia Young, taking over from Matt, rose to the occasion magnificently and enabled us to give a good account of Herbert Howells' *St Paul's Service*, and the quite difficult *Responses* by Kenneth Leighton.



*Sherborne Abbey*



*St Michael and All Angels*

Thursday was the day of the concert and recording at St Michael and All Angels church in Exeter. It was a lofty Victorian building with a fine organ. This was the hardest day's work: but rewarding. For me the high spots were Gerald Finzi's ecstatic Ascensiontide anthem, written in 1951, *God is gone up with a triumphant shout*, and Sumsion's dramatic *They that go down to the sea in ships* (from Psalm 107), with Mike Rule letting the organ thunder in both cases. The small audience included our faithful 'camp-followers', Wendy, grandmother to Bethany Stone in the choir, and Andrew, who is a member of the St

James Singers, which gave us such sterling support during services over the summer.

Many choristers to whom I have spoken nominated the last Abbey (Downside – a ‘real’ abbey this time) as the highlight of the tour despite the heavy rain which greeted us. It was indeed a lovely and unusual experience to finish our tour with the privilege of joining some of the monks for Vespers at Downside Abbey, a magnificent and lofty fine early Victorian building. Vespers is the 5<sup>th</sup> of the sixfold daily prayer offices of the Catholic monastic tradition. This time the music was all plainsong, dating from the 8<sup>th</sup> century, and completely different in style to the music we had enjoyed so far. We had a chance to get properly into the mood of this prayerfully spiritual worship. Vespers gives us Anglicans not only the Psalms, but the Magnificat which we incorporated into Evensong, with the Nunc Dimittis from the last office of the day, Compline. The warm hospitality of the monks and their helpful explanations were much appreciated.



*Downside Abbey*

Thanks especially to drivers of people carriers: Sally Coles and Paul Dean, and others who came in cars and gave us flexibility. Thanks to Matt and Mike, for their planning (Bath University and Bath Abbey were Mike’s idea, as he had been there at University, and knew where the best pub was!). Where next year?

## **The Induction and Collation of Andrew Quigley**

Work is now well underway at the Vicarage and attention is now being turned to the planning of the service for welcoming our new Vicar. It will take place on 30 January at 7.30pm followed by a reception.

Everyone in the congregation is invited as well as clergy from the Deanery and personal guests of Andrew. Nearer the time seating and ticketing arrangements will be publicised and it will be very helpful at that stage if you let the Church Office know if you will be using a wheelchair or require additional assistance.

# The Friends of St James

The Friends was established as an independent Charity in 2013 to support the work and ministry of the Church of St James the Greater, Leicester. It is a means of binding together in friendship and prayer those who wish to play a part in the life, worship, and mission of the Church. It provides financial support to enhance the fabric of the building and contribute to its maintenance and preservation.

Currently the Friends are fundraising to install a new sound system in the church – the present one is, well, nearing the end of its useful life you could say! As well as individual donations, fundraising events are being held including recently at the home of Michael Molloy where the Friends and other members of the congregation enjoyed drinks and canapés in his garden. They were delighted to be joined by Andrew Quigley our new Vicar ahead of his induction in January. Thanks are due to everyone who helped make the afternoon possible.

*Information on **becoming a Friend** can be found in the leaflet at the back of the Church or on our website [www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk](http://www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk)*

## Seeking Gods Kingdom

**Saturday 11 November**

Leicester Cathedral

**With the Rt. Revd Martyn snow**

**Bishop of Leicester**

Guest Speaker Rodney Green

Panellists: Rosie Woodall, Bishop's Chaplain  
& Lusa Nsenga-Ngoy, Diocesan BAME Enabler



**Lunch and refreshments provided**

**Free -Entry by ticket only**

**Information leaflets at the back of the Church**



# Calendar of Services and Events

## SEPTEMBER

<b>10 Sunday</b>	<b>13 AFTER TRINITY</b>	
	08.30 Holy Communion	Celebrant: Jane Sharp
	10.30 Sung Eucharist	Celebrant & Preacher: Rosie Woodall
	18.30 Choral Evensong	Preacher: John Raven
<b>14 Thursday</b>	<i>Holy Cross Day</i>	
	10.15 Holy Communion	Celebrant: Derek Hole
<b>17 Sunday</b>	<b>14 AFTER TRINITY</b>	
	08.30 Holy Communion	Celebrant: David Clark
	10.30 Sung Eucharist	Celebrant & Preacher: Derek Hole
	18.30 Choral Evensong	Preacher: Philip Norwood
<b>21 Thursday</b>	<i>St Matthew</i>	
	10.15 Holy Communion	Celebrant: Jane Sharp
<b>24 Sunday</b>	<b>15 AFTER TRINITY</b>	
	08.30 Holy Communion	Celebrant: Keith Magee
	10.30 Sung Eucharist	Celebrant: Derek Hole
		Preacher: Derek Hole
	18.30 Choral Evensong	Preacher: Angela Jagger
<b>28 Thursday</b>	<b><i>St Michael &amp; All Angels</i></b>	
	10.15 Holy Communion	Celebrant: Diane Johnson

## OCTOBER

<b>1 Sunday</b>	<b>HARVEST THANKSGIVING</b> with thanksgiving for time, talents and money given to the church	
	08.30 Holy Communion (BCP)	Celebrant: Philip Norwood
	10.30 All Age Eucharist	Celebrant & Preacher : David Clark
	14.30 Koolgigs Family Concert: <i>Teddy Bears Picnic</i> (see pg 14)	
	18.30 Festal Evensong	Preacher: Derek Hole
<b>5 Thursday</b>	10.15 Holy Communion	Celebrant: Philip Norwood
<b>8 Sunday</b>	<b>17 AFTER TRINITY</b>	
	08.30 Holy Communion	Celebrant: Derek Hole
	10.30 Sung Eucharist	Celebrant and preacher: Barry Naylor
	18.30 Choral Evensong	Preacher: Tony Leighton

12 Thursday 10.15 Holy Communion Celebrant: David Clark  
 13 Friday 19.30 Leicester Theological Society **at Holy Cross Centre,  
 Wellington Street**  
*Rt Revd Patrick McKinney, Bishop of Nottingham*

**15 Sunday 18 AFTER TRINITY**  
 08.30 Holy Communion Celebrant: Rosie Woodall  
 10.30 Sung Eucharist Celebrant & Preacher: Diane Johnson  
 18.30 Choral Evensong Preacher: Jeff Hopewell

19 Thursday 10.15 Holy Communion Celebrant: Derek Hole

**22 Sunday 19 AFTER TRINITY**  
 08.30 Holy Communion Celebrant: Philip Norwood  
 10.30 Sung Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: Derek Hole  
 18.30 Choral Evensong Preacher: Philip Norwood

26 Thursday 10.15 Holy Communion Celebrant: Jane Sharp  
 19.30 Concert by the Leicester Philharmonic Choir

28 Saturday 19.30 Concert by the City of Leicester Singers

**29 Sunday LAST AFTER TRINITY  
 BIBLE SUNDAY**  
 08.30 Holy Communion Celebrant: Jane Sharp  
 10.30 Sung Eucharist Celebrant Philip Norwood  
 Preacher: Angela Jagger  
 18.30 Choral Evensong Preacher: Derek Hole

## NOVEMBER

2 Thursday 10.15 Holy Communion Celebrant: Diane Johnson

**5 Sunday ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS SUNDAY**  
 08.30 Holy Communion (BCP) Celebrant: Derek Hole  
 10.30 Sung Eucharist Celebrant: Diane Johnson  
 Preacher: Diane Johnson  
 18.30 Choral Evensong Preacher: Stephen Foster

9 Thursday 10.15 Holy Communion Celebrant: Jane Sharp

10 Friday 19.30 Leicester Theological Society **at Holy Cross Centre,  
 Wellington Street.**

Dr Fran Porter, Research Fellow at The Queen's  
 Foundation for Ecumenical Theological Education

11 Saturday 09.30 Bishop's Lay Congress **at Leicester Cathedral**  
*To book: [mmbookings@leccofe.org](mailto:mmbookings@leccofe.org) 0116 261 5317*

- 12 Sunday 3 BEFORE ADVENT** *Remembrance Sunday*  
 08.30 Holy Communion Celebrant: David Clark  
**10.45 Service of Remembrance**  
 18.30 **Sung Eucharist (BCP)** Celebrant: Philip Norwood  
 Preacher: Philip Norwood
- 16 Thursday 10.15 Holy Communion Celebrant: Philip Norwood
- 19 Sunday 2 BEFORE ADVENT**  
 08.30 Holy Communion Celebrant: Rosie Woodall  
 10.30 Sung Eucharist Celebrant: David Clark  
 Preacher: David Brunning  
 18.30 Choral Evensong Preacher: John Raven
- 24 Thursday 10.15 Holy Communion Celebrant: Jane Sharp
- 25 Saturday 19.30 Concert by The Leicester Bach Choir
- 26 Sunday CHRIST THE KING Sunday next before Advent**  
 08.30 Holy Communion Celebrant: David Clark  
 10.30 Sung Eucharist Celebrant: Derek Hole  
 Preacher: Derek Hole  
 18.30 Choral Evensong Preacher: Tim Stratford
- 28 Tuesday 10.00 Staff meeting *in the Large Hall*
- 30 Thursday 10.15 Holy Communion Celebrant: Philip Norwood

## DECEMBER

- 2 Saturday 14.00 National Council of Barbadian Association  
 Annual Service of thanksgiving
- 3 Sunday FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
 08.30 Holy Communion(BCP) Celebrant: Rosie Woodall  
 10.30 Sung Eucharist ***with Toys on the Table Appeal***  
 Celebrant and Preacher: Jane Sharp
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| 18.30 Advent Procession <i>from darkness to light</i> |
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- 6 Wednesday 19.00 Leicester High School Carol Service
- 7 Thursday 10.15 Holy Communion Celebrant: Diane Johnson  
 19.30 Concert by Ex Cathedra

**10 Sunday      SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

08.30 Holy Communion      Celebrant: David Clark  
10.30 Sung Eucharist      Celebrant and Preacher: Derek Hole  
15.30 Radio Leicester Carol Service *admission by ticket*  
18.30 Evensong      Preacher: Tony Leighton

13 Wednesday      19.00 Rainbows Hospice Carol Service

14 Thursday      10.15 Holy Communion      Celebrant: Jane Sharp

14.30 Stoneygate School Carol Service

19.30 Leicester Philharmonic Choir Concert

16 Saturday      19.30 City of Leicester Singers Concert

**17 Sunday      THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

08.30 Holy Communion      Celebrant: Derek Hole  
10.30 Sung Eucharist      Celebrant & Preacher: Diane Johnson

18.30 Festival Service of Nine Lessons & Carols

22 Friday      18.30 Christingle-making in the Large Hall

**24 Sunday      CHRISTMAS EVE**

08.30 NO SERVICE

10.30 Eucharist with Carols      Celebrant: David Clark

18.30 Christingle Service

23.30 Midnight Mass      Celebrant & Preacher: Stephen Foster

**25 Sunday      CHRISTMAS DAY**

08.30 Holy Communion (BCP)      Celebrant: TBC

10.30 Family Service

11.45 Holy Communion (shortened)

Celebrant: TBC

29 Thursday      *John Wyclif, reformer, 1384*

NO SERVICE

**31 Sunday      NEW YEARS EVE**

08.30 Holy Communion      Celebrant: TBC

10.30 Sung Eucharist      Celebrant: TBC

15.00 Wedding

18.30 Choral Evensong      Preacher: Philip Norwood

**Diary Dates:**      7 January      Epiphany Carol Service  
                         28 January      Candlemas

# FORGIVING

By David Clark

Can every offence be forgiven? Perhaps not. Archbishop Desmond Tutu and his daughter Mpho have faced up to the desperate need for forgiveness in the context of the brutality of Apartheid South Africa, and they have shared a huge amount of wisdom about human forgiving in their Book of Forgiving . Forgiving is not easy or quick.

Desmond and Mpho's recommended fourfold process is this:

1. Tell a trusted friend the story of what happened, especially if the offence to you or the offence which you gave was difficult. Face the truth honestly.
2. Consider the hurt you received, or gave, and feel it – feel the hurt again. Feel how heavy it is.
3. Seek in your heart the compassion to grant forgiveness, or to receive forgiveness – sometimes it is more difficult to receive than to give.
4. Renew, or let go of the relationship.

Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive . . . Difficult, but essential for a relationship with people – and God.

<sup>1</sup> The Book of Forgiving by Desmond and Mpho Tutu 2014

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## Toys on the Table – Special Christmas Appeal

PLEASE BRING new toys to services **on Sunday, 3 December** – for children in Leicester and Leicestershire who might not otherwise receive gifts at Christmas. The need is as great as ever – especially for gifts suitable for toddlers under the age of two and for teenage boys. Early play toys specifically intended for toddlers would be highly appreciated and whilst computer games may seem a good idea, but please avoid as they may not have access to the right hardware. **Please note that gifts should NOT be wrapped.**

Cash donations are also extremely useful – not least that among unavoidable overheads is payment of a premium by the charity for public liability insurance. Also some available cash makes it possible for the charity to purchase well-aimed gifts for the age groups where insufficient presents are donated.



# Koolgigs family concerts

St James has been a venue for concerts for a long time but there has been little aimed at children. However last year this changed with the inaugural season of **KoolGigs**. This autumn Koolgigs will be returning to present a new series of interactive family concerts, running from October to March. The concerts are given by some of the UK's leading professional musicians, all highly experienced in performing to a wide age range: expect audience participation, games, dancing and much more.....or just come along and listen!

The first concert is on the 1<sup>st</sup> October and is themed "Teddy Bears Picnic". It features Trumpeter Richard Skilbeck and we especially welcome bears new and old! As part the Harvest food drive, we invite people to bring contributions for local food banks, particularly long life items. Looking ahead, on the 17<sup>th</sup> December Emma Trounson presents a Christmas themed concert. The 4<sup>th</sup> February sees "Spacehop" an intergalactic journey for all budding astronauts. Our popular piano themed concert returns in March and then we round off the year with international harpist Eleanor Turner with a Carnival theme.

Each concert starts at 2.30pm and lasts no longer than 1 hour. There is comfy floor seating as well as chairs, and all ages are welcome. Hot drinks and light refreshments are available, with proceeds going to St James Choir Fund. There is an accessible toilet and baby changing facilities. Tickets cost £6 for adults, £4 for children and are available from [www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk](http://www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk) or call the Church Office on 0116 254 2111. If you would like to know more about **KoolGigs** and **BabyGigs**, please visit our website [www.babygigs.co.uk](http://www.babygigs.co.uk)

\*SPECIAL OFFER Season ticket for all 5 concerts is £24 adults, £16 children\*

## The Provost Derek Hole Lecture

This year's lecture takes place on Monday 20 November 2017 at 6 pm in the Ken Edwards Building lecture theatre 1 at the University of Leicester.

The speaker will be the Reverend Canon Dr Giles Fraser, Priest-in-Charge of St Mary, Newington, in South London. He is also a columnist for the Guardian and a panellist on Radio 4's THE MORAL MAZE.

The title of his Lecture will be: ***Theology and Refugees: some thoughts and reflections.***

# Henry's Bench



When Canon Henry Evans was Warden of Launde Abbey (1983-1993) he often used to climb to the top of the steep hill in front of the house. Here he particularly admired the stunning view, but thought that there ought to be a bench there for him to sit on!

Accordingly, money was left in his will for this purpose and a Welsh slate bench has now been provided in his memory.

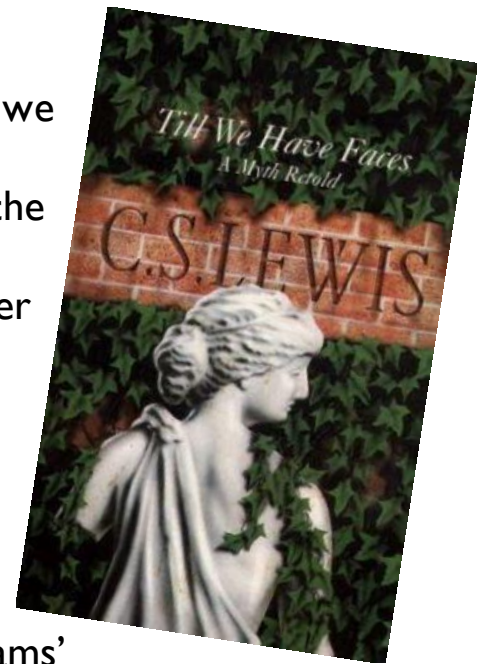
Henry's ashes have also been interred in the small churchyard adjoining the Chapel.



# Summer Reading

by Sarah Clark

C.S. Lewis had published his novel, “Till we Have Faces” in 1956, when Rowan Williams was 6. “Till we Have Faces” is not about Christianity, nor even about “Narnia”. It is a retelling of the myth of Psyche and Cupid, and the story of Orual, the ugly, jealously-loving sister of Psyche, and eldest daughter of Trom, King of Glome.

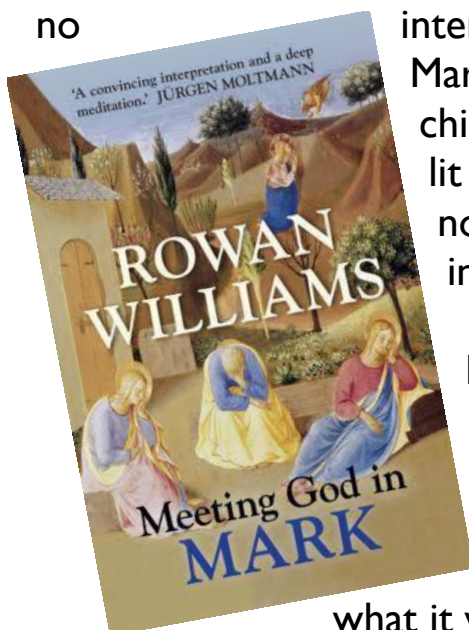


Over the summer I read this, with growing admiration for C.S. Lewis’ acute and deep perception of the way human minds work.

At the same time I was enthralled by Rowan Williams’ book, “Meeting God in Mark” (published 2014), suggested to me by Henry Evans, and then by “Becoming Disciples”(pub. 2016 and also by Rowan Williams), which I found accidentally, while trying to find a book for a friend.

These two are not learned tomes about theology. They are written with an immediacy, which speaks directly to the ordinary person’s experience.

To quote from the middle of “Meeting God in Mark”, where Mark is describing the Passion of Christ, Rowan Williams writes, “We spoke about a God who works outward from the heart of reality: God is now in this part of Mark’s story, working outwards from the heart of the human Jesus. There is no



intervention from a distant heaven. This is not at all how Mark works. His is a more chilling and strange text – chilling and strange because you see it in brief, brightly lit episodes with not much rationale . . . .” It is the nonsensical nightmare world “captured so memorably in the fiction of Franz Kafka.”

It is an extraordinarily vivid take on a very well-known passage. It made me wonder what Rowan Williams would have to say in “Becoming Disciples”.

To me, he presents a very fresh and radical look at what it would mean to become a disciple of Christ. He starts



from the story at the beginning of St. John's gospel, where John the Baptist is walking with two of his disciples. When they see Jesus, they recognise something compelling about him. Jesus says to them "What are you looking for?" They reply not in the way you might expect, but by the strange question, "Teacher, where do you live?" That could mean, 'where are you staying right now?', perhaps, or, 'what is the important inner source of your life?' Jesus' answer isn't an address, like 'The house on the corner near the synagogue', but an invitation. "Come and see". Such openness, nothing kept hidden, nothing evasive. "Come! Come and stay, and see". And they did.

Rowan Williams points out that discipleship is not something intermittent, it is not following a course of sermons, or attending workshops, nor even reading books about the subject. It is about being close to this person, observing how he lives, how he orders his life, attending deeply and constantly in order to be changed by following him.

This is in the first chapter. And reading this little, short, but immensely rich book, we are led ever more profoundly into the growth and joy – and pain and heart-ache – which would follow from the self-awareness and stillness which will allow us to become infused with the mystery and wonder of life here on earth, with fellow disciples.

This summer's reading has taken me, thank goodness, to places I didn't even know existed.

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## 10 years of the Girls Choir



It's 10 years since the Girls Choir was founded. Spot the familiar faces!

# Fun, Food and Fellowship

by Vicky Roe

The Church Lunches, usually on the third Thursday of each month, provide generous helpings of fun, food and fellowship. They follow on from the 10.15 am Communion Service and Coffee Drop-in, although you do not have to attend these in order to partake of the lunches. Some people just come along for the lunch.



Menus reflect the changing seasons and have included hearty soups, chicken and vegetables, fish and chips, quiche and salad, beef stew and dumplings. There is also a variety of puddings, such as cakes, strawberries and cream, apple pie and custard. Special diets can be catered for with advance notice. Annabel Cowley and Barbara Penrose are in charge of the food, while Cherry Fulloway provides flowers to adorn the tables. Other people help with laying out and clearing up. All this for only £3 a time!

Twice a year we 'splash out' on something more adventurous and a little more expensive. In the Summer, there is an outing to a different venue, such as Woodlands Garden Centre or Foxton Locks. At Christmas, we repair to The Old Horse for a festive dinner.

If you have not yet tried the Thursday Lunches, why not give it a go? There is always a reminder in the weekly sheet and a list at the back of church on which to sign up, if you would like to come along.

Dates this Autumn are as follows:

Thursday 19 October  
Thursday 16 November  
Thursday 21 December



The regulars look forward to welcoming newcomers. See you there!



# Commemorative Flowers

## OCTOBER

1<sup>st</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> HARVEST  
15<sup>th</sup> Lindy Forbes  
*in memory of her parents Pamela and Frank Hiles*  
22<sup>nd</sup> Kathleen Sowman *in memory of Bill*  
29<sup>th</sup> Pat & Peter Ireson  
*in memory of The Reverend John Ireson – husband & father*

## NOVEMBER

5<sup>th</sup> Iain Davidson *in memory of Sue, Tom & Cathie Davidson*  
12<sup>th</sup> REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY  
19<sup>th</sup> Joan Thomas *in memory of John*  
26<sup>th</sup> Peter Durham & Jo Durham  
*in loving memory of Suzanne Durham greatly missed wife & mother*

## DECEMBER

25<sup>th</sup> *In memory of Alan, Joy & Christopher Johnson*  
*Lady Chapel*  
*Audrey Wheeler in memory of Sid and their parents*



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# What's on ...

## SUNDAYS

**Sunday Club in school term time 10.30** **Large Hall**  
 Contact Mrs Jo Stapleton 39 Craighill Road, Leicester LE2 3FD 270 2001

## THURSDAYS

**Coffee Drop-in 10.45 – 11.30 Large Hall**  
 Organiser Mrs Elizabeth Turner Contact via Church Office  
**Lunch Club (monthly) 12.15 – 1.30 Large Hall**  
 Organiser Ms Barbara Penrose Contact via Church Office  
**St James' Singers 19.30 alternate Thursdays Ashman Music Room**  
 Director Mr Michael Rule organist@stjamesthegreater.org.uk  
**Scouts Beaver Scouts 17.30 – 18.30 Cub Scouts 18.30 – 20.00 Scouts 19.30 Undercroft**  
 Leaders Mr Tony & Mrs Alison Hurst 210 2958

## FRIDAYS

**Boys' Choir & Girls' Choir Practices 18.00 Ashman Music Room**  
**Full Choir Practice 19.30**  
 Director Mr Matthew Haynes DOM@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

## SATURDAYS

**Stop-by Project for the homeless 11.00 – 14.00 Undercroft**  
 Coordinator Salma Ravat Contact via Church Office

# Who's who ...

**Ministry Team – see inside front cover**

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