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Welcome to  
The Church of Saint James the Greater  
Leicester



## ADVENT CAROL SERVICE

SUNDAY 6 DECEMBER 2020

Welcome to the Church of Saint James the Greater for our Advent Carol Service. As with everything in 2020, this unique service will be different to how you may have experienced it in the past. We hope and pray that when we join together to mark the start of Advent in 2021, we will be able to give glory to God with our traditional Advent Procession and congregational hymn singing. Our thanks go out to Matt Haynes, Mike Rule and all of the choir for their efforts in putting together this service under, what can only be described as, challenging conditions this year.

Current restrictions mean there won't be an Offertory as part of our worship this afternoon. To allow you to show your appreciation of the wonderful music you'll listen to over the next hour or so, you'll find collection bowls on the tables at the back of church. We know that 2020 has been a difficult year for all of us and any contribution you are able to make to help St James continue its matchless musical tradition is truly appreciated by all of us.

### COVID-19

If you've downloaded the NHS app, which allows to allow you to check-in to venues, we have created our own unique QR code for St James and you'll find it displayed on the right. To check-in, please take the following steps:

1. Open the NHS COVID-19 app.
2. Select **Venue Check In**.
3. Hold your phone up to the QR code. When the app registers it, you'll see a tick and the name of the venue.

If you don't have a smartphone, you'll find a Track and Trace form on your seat. We ask that you complete this and place it in one of the boxes at the back of church before you leave.



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*The congregation is seated in silence as the lights are dimmed*

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION by Reverend Andrew Quigley

ORGAN

Es ist ein ros entsprungen

Brahms

CHOIR

Matin Responsory

Palestrina (Arr. Wilcocks)

A COLLECT FOR ADVENT

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people:  
that they plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,  
may of thee be plenteously rewarded, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHOIR

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Carter

FIRST LESSON

The Promise

Jeremiah 23. 5 - 6

**CHOIR** **Antiphon I (LOWER VOICES)**

*O Sapientia*

O Wis - dom, co - ming forth from the mouth of the Most High  
rea - ching from one end to the o - ther migh - ti - ly, and sweet - ly or -  
der - ing all things, come and teach us the way of pru - dence.

**CHOIR** **A Tender Shoot**

SECOND LESSON

Those Who Sit In Darkness

**Goldschmidt**

Isaiah 9. 2 – 3, 6 – 7

**CHOIR** **Antiphon II (UPPER VOICES)**

*O Adonai*

O A - do - na - i, and lea - der of the house of Is - ra - el, who  
ap - peared to Mo - ses in the fire of the bur - ning bush, and gave  
him the law on Si - nai: Come and re - deem us with an out - stretched arm.

**CHOIR** **O Nata Lux**

THIRD LESSON

The Angel Gabriel Visits Mary

**Tallis**

Luke I. 26 -35, 38

**CHOIR** **Antiphon III (LOWER VOICES)**

*O Radix Jesse*

O Root of Jes - se, stand - ing as a sign a - mong the peo - ples;  
be - fore you kings will shut their mouths, to you the na - tions shall  
make their prayer: Come and de - li - ver us and de - lay no long - er.

**CHOIR** **Magnificat in G**

FOURTH LESSON

John the Baptist

**Stanford**

Mark I. 1 – 8

**CHOIR** **Antiphon IV (UPPER VOICES)**

*O Clavis David*

O Key of Da - vid and scep - tre of the house of Is - ra - el; you  
o - pen and no - one can shut; you shut and no - one can o - pen;  
Come and lead the pri - so - ners from the pri - son house, those who dwell in dark - ness  
and the sha - dow of death.



