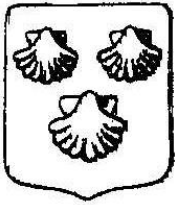
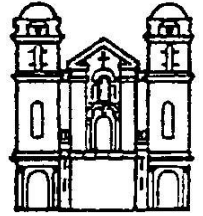


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This week at the Church of  
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## 21 DECEMBER 2014 – 4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*If you wear a hearing-aid, please switch to T to benefit from the inductive loop*  
**Large-print hymn books are available from sidesmen**

*The high altar may be approached via the side steps, which have handrails  
Please inform a Churchwarden if you wish to receive a gluten free wafer  
or receive Communion in your seat.*

### Prayer for the Week

God our redeemer,  
who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary  
to be the mother of your Son:  
grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour,  
so we may be ready to greet him  
when he comes again as our judge;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**08.30**

### Holy Communion

Common Worship, Order I (Traditional)  
Celebrant: The Reverend David Clark  
Churchwarden: Barbara Penrose

**10.30**

### Children's Sunday Club

Starting off together in Church

**10.30**

### Sung Eucharist

Common Worship, Order I  
**see service sheet and music card**  
Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar  
Assisted by: Lucy Hutchinson and David Kibert  
Churchwardens: Mike Bull and Keith Vaughan  
Sidesmen: Cherry Fulloway, Jan Vaughan and Jean Warren  
Servers: Peter Ireson, Hazel Carlin and William Woolley  
Setting: Sumsion in F

**HYMN 24**                      **Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding**  
READING                      2 Samuel 7. 1-11, 16                      *read by Jan Vaughan*

**ADVENT REFRAIN**

GOSPEL                      Luke 1. 26-38

SERMON                      The Vicar

INTERCESSIONS              John Raven

**HYMN 360**                      **For Mary, Mother of our Lord**

ANTHEM                      Gabriel to Mary Came                      *arr. Bullard*

**COMMUNION HYMN 309** **The God whom earth and sea and sky**

**HYMN 31**                      **Come, thou long-expected Jesus**

VOLUNTARY

*Everyone is invited to the Hall for refreshments after the service*

**18.00                      Congregational Carol Singing**

**18.30                      Nine Lessons and Carols**

*see separate order of service*

Officiant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar

Churchwardens: Julia Walker and Margaret Terry

Sidesmen: Owen Shepherd, Sally Coles and Chris & Jan Geere

Servers: Rod Eynon-Baldock, Sara King, Hilary Rees, John Finn and Keith Vaughan

***followed by party time!***

a young people's party in the Undercroft organised by the choir  
and food and drink for the congregation in the main hall

Contributions of food will be most welcome, drinks will be available by donation

***A collection will be made for the Choir Fund, raising money to help those  
who otherwise would not be able to join the choir tour.***

**Our Prayers are asked for:**

**All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering this week**

Vivian Edwards : Jean Wigglesworth : Arthur Higginson : Charles Wicksteed

**Unwell**

Eddie Rutter : Theo Saunders : George Daley : Rachel Stevens

Josephine Chizema (Tony's mother) after exploratory surgery

Reuben Baptiste : David Brunning – after surgery

**Recovering**

John Gonsalves

**Rest in Peace**

Ian Stevens (81) : Jane Lewins Huebner (106) Pam Spokes' mother

Sylvia Cooke (71) Trevor Cooke's sister-in-law

## The Rest of the Week

### Monday

- 19.00 **Sing Christmas** live on BBC Radio Leicester 7pm.  
Come along to the Old Horse Pub, and sing along!

### Tuesday

- 07.15 **Holy Communion** Celebrant: Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar  
09.00 Christingle making at the Vicarage (see back page for information)

### THE BBC RADIO LEICESTER CAROL SERVICE

recorded at St James the Greater last Sunday

is to be broadcast on Christmas Eve at 5.00 pm in a shortened version  
and in full, with the Vicar's 'Thought for the Day' on Christmas Day at 10.00 am.

### Wednesday Christmas Eve

- 18.30 **Christingle Service**  
23.00 Choral Prelude  
23.30 **Midnight Mass**  
Celebrant & preacher  
Canon Glynn Richerby



### Thursday Christmas Day

- 08.30 **Holy Communion** *according to the Book of Common Prayer*  
Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby  
10.30 **Family Service** Led by: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby  
11.45 **Holy Communion** Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby

### Saturday

- 11.00 Stop-by in the Undercroft

## Sunday Next – Christmas I

- 08.30 **Holy Communion** Celebrant: Canon Glynn Richerby  
10.30 **Sung Eucharist** Celebrant: Canon Glynn Richerby  
Preacher: Canon Glynn Richerby  
Readings: Jeremiah 31. 15-17 7 Matthew 2. 13-18  
18.30 **New Year Service**

A candle-lit service specially devised by our Church's Worship Committee. Readings, hymns and a psalm to aid reflection on the past year and, through entering into a Covenant with God, we "step with confidence through the gate of the year".

**A CRÈCHE ROOM** (the Servers' Vestry) is available where babies and toddlers can be taken if they become fractious during services. There is a changing mat, a play mat and a Noah's ark to play with. A sound link with the service in Church is provided. **Please ask a Churchwarden or Sidesman for further details.**

**SING CHRISTMAS** Join us at The Old Horse for BBC Radio Leicester's annual Sing Christmas. **Monday 22 December, 7pm, everyone welcome.**

**CHRISTINGLES** are to be assembled on **Tuesday 23 December** (after the 8.15 service of Holy Communion) **9.00 until 10.00** in the Vicarage ready for the Christmas Eve service.

**Please put your name to the list at the back of the church** if you wish to help with this. Coffee and mince pies to round off!



**WINTER WALK Tuesday 30 December.** It has become the custom at St James the Greater to have a Winter Walk following Christmas. It is about 4 miles, is open to anyone and ends up with tea and cake around an open fire. It is a lovely way to get to know other people while enjoying fresh air and exercise. **More details and a sheet to sign up are on a table at the back of church.**

**THE SIXTEEN** – the world famous choral ensemble with their internationally acclaimed conductor Harry Christophers **are coming again to St James the Greater on Thursday, 28 May 2015 at 7.30 pm.**

The programme is entitled 'Flight of angels' – including music by Francisco Guerrero and Alonso Lobo, two

Spanish composers of the Renaissance period. The wonderful sound of The Sixteen singing this very Spanish music will resonate well around St James the Greater for another memorable concert.

**Tickets for The Sixteen would make a wonderful Christmas present for a music loving friend, and complimentary gift cards are available on request. Tickets are now on sale from the Church Office on 0116 254 2111 or from [www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk](http://www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk).**



**CHURCH DIARIES** for 2015 are available at the back of the church. **Please put a donation in the wall-mounted collection box at the rear of the church.**