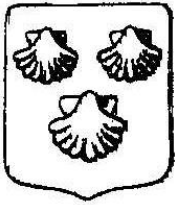
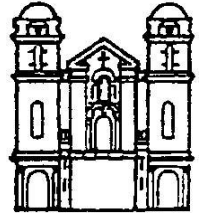


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This week at the Church of
St James the Greater
Leicester

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13 DECEMBER 2015 – 3rd SUNDAY IN 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

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger
to prepare your way before you:
grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries
may likewise so prepare and make ready your way
by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just,
that at your second coming to judge the world
we may be found an acceptable people in your sight;
for you are alive and reign with the Father
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 Jane Sharp
Churchwarden: Julia Walker

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: Angela Jagger and Lin Mawer
Churchwardens: Pam Spokes and Simon Edwards
Sidesmen: Lindy Forbes and Darienne Griffith
Servers: David Roberts, Tanaka Chizema and Takudzwa Chizema
Setting: Merbecke

HYMN 26 **O come, O come Emmanuel**
 READING Zephaniah 3. 14-end *read by Lindy Forbes*
ADVENT REFRAIN
 GOSPEL Luke 3. 7-18
 SERMON Angela Jagger
 INTERCESSIONS The Vicar
HYMN 316 *omit verse 4 (2nd tune)* **Lo, from the desert homes**
 ANTHEM There is no Rose *Anon.*
COMMUNION HYMN 30 **Hark the glad sound**
HYMN 29 **The Lord will come and not be slow**
 ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Everyone is invited to the Hall for refreshments after the service

15.15 Radio Leicester Carol Service

admission by ticket only

18.30 Choral Evensong

see service card and music sheet

Officiant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar

Churchwardens: Barbara Penrose and April Rule

Sidesmen: Rosemary Freer, John Sharp and Sally Coles

Servers: Peter Ireson, Hilary Rees and Hazel Carlin

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

CONFESSION *see buff service card*

RESPONSES

PSALM 67 *see green music sheet*

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 35 *read by Barbara Penrose*

MAGNIFICAT *see green music sheet*

SECOND LESSON Luke 1. 57-66 *read by Julia Warner*

NUNC DIMITTIS Sung by the choir *Wesley in F*

THE CREED *see buff service card, p 3*

RESPONSES

HYMN 301 (2nd tune) **How beauteous are their feet**

SERMON The Vicar in a series on *Messiah*

ANTHEM Glory to God *Handel*

PRAYERS Margaret Terry

HYMN 28 **Lo, he comes with clouds descending**

BLESSING

DISMISSAL *Plainsong* The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**
 Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Our Prayers are asked for:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering this week

Joyce Smith : Jean Mason : Betty Clark

Unwell

Peggy Snowden (Jean Bilney's sister) : Mary Scarborough : Theo Saunders

Ann Sylvester (broken ankle) : Iain Davidson (broken leg)

Recovering

Jill Valentine : John Gonsalves (now at Aaron Court, Evington)

Rest in Peace

Pauline Plummer (91)

Sylvester Dorum (75)

MARILYN DORUM thanks the congregation for their cards and messages of sympathy following the sudden death of her husband Sylvester and is grateful for the support of continuing prayers.

The Rest of the Week

Wed – Friday

08.30 **Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel**

Tuesday

07.15 **Holy Communion** Celebrant: Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar

Thursday *O Sapientia* Eglantine Jebb, founder of Save the Children, 1928

10.15 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (traditional)

Celebrant: The Reverend Jane Sharp

10.45 Coffee Drop-In in the Hall (access from the Church via the lift)

14.30 **Stonygate School Carol Service**

19.30 Leicester Philharmonic Choir Concert

Friday

18.00 Choir Practice

Saturday

11.00 Stop-by in the Undercroft

Sunday Next – Advent 4

08.30 **Holy Communion** Celebrant: Canon Glynn Richerby

10.30 Sunday Club meets in the Large Hall, starting off in Church

10.30 **Sung Eucharist** Celebrant: Canon Glynn Richerby

Preacher: Canon Glynn Richerby

Readings: Micah 5. 2-5a & Luke 1 39-55

18.00 Congregational Carol Singing

18.30 **Nine Lessons and Carols** Officiant: Canon Glynn Richerby

THANK YOU to everybody who helped make our Christmas Spirit party such a great success. We have raised over £150 for the Salvation Army Christmas Appeal

THANK YOU to everybody who has bought cards over the past year. £68.40 was raised for each of SSAFA, Sightsavers, Intercare and Christians Aware.

TOYS ON THE TABLE The organisers of this local charity that the people of St James the greater for a magnificent response to the appeal. The toys given were evidently carefully chosen and highly appropriate. Cash donations of £90 are also gratefully received.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH at the Old Horse On Thursday 17 December join us for Christmas lunch at the Old Horse. Two Course menu £17.50, three courses £20.50 or small portion two course menu £8.50. **Please contact the Church Office by 12pm on Tuesday 15 December to book.**

A CAROL SERVICE will take place at **Samworth Enterprise Academy** on **Tuesday 15 December at 18.15** featuring St James' Choir and pupils from the school. **Your support would really be appreciated at this very special outreach event.** We are hoping several of us can be there on the night to mix with parents and hand out our outreach leaflet. **There is a list at the back of the Church and we can help with transport. Please speak to Lindy Forbes or John Raven if you can help with this project.**

CHRISTINGLES are to be assembled on **Wednesday, 23 December 11.00am until 12.00noon** in the Vicarage ready for the Christmas Eve service. Coffee and mince pies to round off!
Please put your name to the list at the back of the church if you wish to help with this.



WINTER WALK Everyone is welcome to join in a Winter Walk on the afternoon of Tuesday 29 December.

It is a country walk of 4-5 miles, concluding with tea and cake in front of an open fire. Come and enjoy the local countryside and blow away the cobwebs!

We start from church at 1.30pm or from Gaulby at 2.00pm.

Please see the notice at the back of the church for more details and to sign up, and indicate if you would like a lift. If you have questions, please ring Caroline on 259 6341.