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This week at the Church of  
**St James the Greater**  
Leicester

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## 11 DECEMBER 2016 – 3<sup>RD</sup> 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 1 (Traditional)  
Celebrant: The Reverend Jane Sharp  
Churchwarden: Keith Vaughan

**10.30**

### Children's Sunday Club

Starting off together in Church

**10.30**

### Sung Eucharist

Common Worship, Order 1  
**see service sheet and music card**  
Celebrant: The Reverend David Clark  
Assisted by: Angela Jagger and Emma Jones  
Churchwardens: Michael Molloy and Simon Edwards  
Sidesmen: Lindy Forbes, Darienne Griffith and Cherry Fulloway  
Servers: Peter Ireson, Angela Finn and John Finn  
Setting: Missa Brevis - Wills

**HYMN 26**                      **O come, O come Emmanuel**  
READING                      Isaiah 35                      *read by Lindy Forbes*

**ADVENT REFRAIN**

GOSPEL                      Matthew 11. 2-11

SERMON                      Angela Jagger

INTERCESSIONS              Gillian Boorne

**HYMN 180**                      **Thou, whose almighty word**

ANTHEM                      Advent Message                      *How*

**COMMUNION HYMN 30 Hark the glad sound!**

**HYMN 29**                      **The Lord shall come and not be slow**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – *please be aware of those remaining to listen*

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

**15.30                      Radio Leicester Carol Service**

Entry by ticket only

**18.30                      Choral Evensong**

*see service card and music sheet*

Officiant: The Reverend Canon Peter Mackenzie

Churchwardens: Phil Jones and April Rule

Sidesmen: Rosemary Freer, Sally Coles and Barbara Penrose

Servers: Michael Bull, Hilary Rees and Hazel Carlin

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

**CONFESSION**                      *see buff service card*

**RESPONSES**

**PSALM 15**                      *see green music sheet*

FIRST LESSON                      Isaiah 5. 8-28                      *read by Alan Fletcher*

**MAGNIFICAT**                      *see green music sheet*

SECOND LESSON                      Acts 13. 13-41                      *read by Gabrielle Fletcher*

NUNC DIMITTIS                      Sung by the Choir                      *Sumtion in G*

**THE CREED**                      *see buff service card, p 3*

ANTHEM                      Es ist ein Ros entsprungen                      *Praetorius*

PRAYERS                      Margaret Terry

**HYMN 301** (2<sup>nd</sup> tune) **How beauteous are their feet**

SERMON                      The Reverend Canon Peter Mackenzie

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

*Please note v2 line 3 we sing All instead of Those*

**BLESSING**

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

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – *please be aware of those remaining to listen*

## **Our Prayers are asked for:**

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

John Goadby : Derek & Gwen Leather

**Unwell**

Pat Ireson

**Recovering**

Edna Willett (William Woolley's aunt) in hospital following a fall

**Rest in Peace**

Betty Clark (91) Funeral in January, date to be announced : Jean Mason

## **The Rest of the Week**

### **Thursday**

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)

12.15 Christmas lunch at the Old Horse

17.00 41st Leicester Scouts (boys *and* girls) meet in the Undercroft

### **Friday**

18.00 Choir Practice

### **Saturday**

11.00 Stop-by in the Undercroft

## **Sunday Next – Advent 4**

08.30 **Holy Communion** Celebrant: Reverend David Clark

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

10.30 **Sung Eucharist** Celebrant: Very Rev'd Dr Derek Hole

Preacher: Very Rev'd Dr Derek Hole

Readings: Isaiah 7. 10-16 & Romans 1. 1-7

18.30 **Nine Lessons and Carols** Officiant: Very Rev'd Dr Derek Hole

**The doors will open at 5.30pm for Nine Lessons and Carols and there will be carol singing from 6pm. If you arrive after 6, please do so quietly.**

**PROFILE MEETING FOR NEW INCUMBANT** If any member of the congregation has any thoughts on the future direction of St James and the new Incumbent please speak to a Church Warden or to make a written submission please email to [office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk](mailto:office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk) by 13 December.

**ST JAMES DIARIES** These can be found at the back of the Church, suggested donation £1. ***Please put money in the wall safe.***



## CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST JAMES



18 December	Nine Lessons and Carols	18.30
24 December	Christingle Service	18.30
24 December	Midnight Mass	23.30
25 December	Holy Communion	08.30
25 December	Family Service	10.30
25 December	Holy Communion	11.45
01 January	New Years Service	18.30
08 January	Epiphany Carol Service	18.30

**WINTER WALK** Join us on a Winter Walk on the afternoon of Monday 2nd January 2017. Weather permitting, we will walk for 4 or 5 miles along country lanes and across fields, ending up in front of an open fire with tea and cake. **Please see the notice at the back of church for more details and to sign up.**

**CHRISTINGLE MAKING** On the 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 6.30pm we invite you to join us to make Christingles in the hall. Contributions of snacks, mince pies or mulled wine would be greatly appreciated. **Please sign up at the back of the church and indicate if you can contribute something.**

**QUARTERLY** The latest issue can be found at the back of the Church, please put donations in the wall safe to cover the costs. **If you can contribute an article to a future issue, please speak to Annabel in the Church Office who will be most appreciative! Send articles to [office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk](mailto:office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk).**

**GIVING TO ST JAMES THE GREATER** YOUR GIFT is a vital contribution to the costs of ministry and maintenance of this fabulous place of worship. **Please be as generous as your means allow.** If you are a UK tax payer please use Gift Aid envelopes available in front of each seat. Gift Aid increases the value of your gift by 25%. **Further information on Giving to St James and the Parish Giving Scheme is available at the back of the Church. Please ask a Church Warden or call the Church Office for further information.**

## FORTHCOMING CONCERTS

**City of Leicester Singers: 17 December at 7.30pm** Christmas concert  
**David Cowen: 20 December at 7.30pm** Messiaen - La Nativité du Seigneur  
**Full listings of all our future concerts can be found on our website. To buy tickets please call 0116 254 2111 or visit [www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk](http://www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk)**