

This week at the Church of St James the Greater Leicester

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10 DECEMBER 2017 – 2ND 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

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

08.30 Holy Communion

Common Worship, Order I (Traditional)
Celebrant: The Reverend David Clark
Assisted by: William Simpey
Churchwarden: Keith Vaughan

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 Very Reverend Dr Derek Hole
Assisted by: Emmanuel Okoli and Lucy Hutchinson
Churchwardens: Keith Vaughan and April Rule
Sidesmen: Lindy Forbes, Darienne Griffith and Cherry Fulloway
Servers: Michael Bull, David Roberts and David Nisbet
Setting: Short Service - Batten

HYMN 470 Hills of the North, rejoice

READING Isaiah 40. I-II read by Lindy Forbes

ADVENT REFRAIN

GOSPEL Mark I. I-8

SERMON The Very Reverend Dr Derek Hole
INTERCESSIONS The Very Reverend Dr Derek Hole
HYMN 27 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

ANTHEM The Angel Gabriel Traditional

COMMUNION HYMN 177 Thy Kingdom come, O God

HYMN 29 The Lord will 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, available only from BBC Radio Leicester

18.30 Choral Evensong

see service card and music sheet

Officiant: The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and Phil Jones

Sidesmen: Paul Jenkins and Cherry Fulloway

Servers: Rod Eynon-Baldock, Sara King and Valerie Bailey

HYMN 31 Come, thou long-expected Jesus

CONFESSION see buff service card

RESPONSES

PSALM 85 see green music sheet

FIRST LESSON I Kings 22. I-28 read by Graham Jagger MAGNIFICAT Sung by the Choir Hylton Stewart in C

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria.

SECOND LESSON Romans 15. 4-13 read by Pam Spokes

NUNC DIMITTIS see green music sheet

THE CREED see buff service card, p 3

ANTHEM Jesus Christ the apple tree Poston

PRAYERS Brenda Thompson

HYMN 24 Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding
SERMON The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood

HYMN 28 Lo, he comes with clouds descending

DISMISSAL *Plainsong* The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit**.

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God!

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Our Prayers are asked for:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering this week

Arthur Higginson: George Daley: Derek & Gwen Leather Unwell

Ann Blanchard (Jane Sharp's sister) surgery Augustino Ramadhani (Francis's Uncle) chemotherapy Pat Ireson

Rest in Peace

Charles Wicksteed (92): Don Hogg (Jan Vaughan's Uncle) Rosemary Fedrick (Jane Sharp's mother)

The Rest of the Week

Tuesday

19.30 PCC Meeting in the Ashman Room

Thursday

10.15 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order I (traditional) Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood

Assisted by: Lin Mawer

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

Friday

18.00 Choir Practice

Saturday

11.00 Stop-by in the Undercroft

Sunday Next - Advent 3

- 08.30 Holy Communion Celebrant: Very Rev'd Dr Derek Hole
- 10.30 Sunday Club meets in the Large Hall, starting off in Church
- 10.30 **Sung Eucharist** Celebrant: Reverend Diane Johnson

Preacher: Reverend Diane Johnson

Readings: Isaiah 61. 1-4, 8-end & John 1. 6-8, 19-28

18.30 Nine Lessons and Carols Officiant: The Reverend David Clark

2018 DIARIES are now at the back of the Church, please place a donation in the wall safe.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH The annual St James Old Horse lunch will take place on Thursday 21 December. *Information at the back of the Church*

CHRISTMAS FOLIAGE The flower guild need donations of ivy and conifer for the Christmas displays. *Please contact the Church Office if you can help.*

CHRISTINGLE MAKING join us in the Church Hall on Friday 22 December at 11.30am. Please sign up on the back table. Contributions of snacks, mince pies or mulled wine would be greatly appreciated.

PILGRIMAGE Canon Philip Norwood will be leading a group to the Holy Land next October. The itinerary can be found on the back table. For brochures and further information please contact Philip on 0116 241 0255.

STAMPS Please remember to save used stamps - they can raise funds for charity. Please cut them with a little paper surrounding the stamp. We send them to Intercare, a charity who send medical aid to hospitals and clinics in sub Saharan Africa. A collection box is on the back table of the Church.

THE QUARTERLY is now being collated. Please send articles for the winter edition to office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk. All contributions welcome!

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*.

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.

CONCERTS AT ST JAMES

Koolgigs returns on **I7 December** with **Christmas Sparkles.** Join us for Christmas musical fun. Suitable for the whole family. Refreshments available.

Cambridge Fundraising Choir are returning with their Epiphany Carol Concert in aid of Cancer Research UK on 6 January at 7.30pm. Tickets £10 on the door. Doors open and refreshments from 6.45pm

Tickets can be purchased from www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk or by calling 0116 254 2111 during weekday mornings.