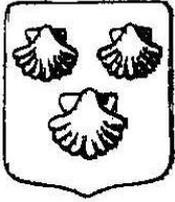
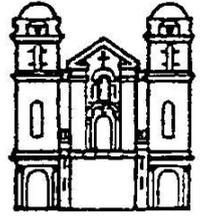


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**This week at the Church of
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**26th SEPTEMBER 2021
17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
CREATIONTIDE**

Prayer for the Week

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Our Prayers are asked for:

Baptised last Sunday

Lilian and Florence Adcock

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering

Conceição Fernandes : Gwen Leather :

Marilyn Dorum : Margaret Norman

and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering

Alpha Hopkins : Mark Sadler : Ann Blanchard :

Anthony Green : Owen Shepherd : Josephine Chizema :

Darienne Griffith : Gillian Boorne

Rest in Peace

The Very Reverend Derek Hole

Welcome to St James the Greater

08.30

Holy Communion

Common Worship

Celebrant: The Reverend David Clark

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

Please take this leaflet away with you at the end of the Service.

If you are joining us in church for the 10:30 or 18:30 services, you will find a hymn book on a table at the back of church after you enter through the Servedy door. Inside the hymn book you will find a service booklet, this weekly leaflet and a Track and Trace form. **Completion of this form is voluntary.**

You will also be able to join us online at our YouTube channel. To do this, all you need to do is click [here](#).

10.30

Congregational Eucharist with Hymns

See order of service

Celebrant: The Reverend Matthew Gough

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and Janet Burton

Server: Michael Bull and William Woolley

Setting: Thorne

OPENING HYMN 812

Through all the changing scenes of life

READING

Numbers 11. 4-6, 10-16, 24-29 *read by William Woolley*

4 The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, 'If only we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; ⁶but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.'

10 Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹So Moses said to the LORD, 'Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favour in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, "Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child", to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to

all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, “Give us meat to eat!” ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. ¹⁵If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favour in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.’

16 So the LORD said to Moses, ‘Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.’

24 So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

26 Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, ‘Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.’ ²⁸And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, ‘My lord Moses, stop them!’ ²⁹But Moses said to him, ‘Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD’s people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!’

GRADUAL HYMN 744 (i)
GOSPEL Mark 9. 38-50

O God of Bethel, by whose hand

38 John said to him, ‘Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.’ ³⁹But Jesus said, ‘Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.’

42 ‘If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell.’ ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

49 'For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.'

SERMON

The Reverend Matthew Gough

INTERCESSIONS

The Reverend Matthew Gough

OFFERTORY HYMN 635

For the healing of the nations

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

POST COMMUNION HYMN 258

O Thou who camest from above

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace
may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 629 (i)

Father, hear the prayer we offer

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

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Everyone is invited for refreshments at the back of church after the service

The Vicar Writes ...

I'm glad to be at St Mary's Knighton this week preaching on the environment, rather than this challenging Gospel! With his talk of mutilation Jesus is employing rhetorical flourish, but the underlying point, that sin endangers the very self, body and soul, is a serious one. Our self-preservation should not merely safeguard our physical health, but our righteousness too.



18.30

Choral Evensong

see order of service

Officiant: Sheila Roberts

Churchwardens: Janet Burton and April Rule

Servers: Rod Eynon-Baldock and Sara King

HYMN 826
CONFESSION
RESPONSES
PSALM 12

FIRST LESSON Exodus 24

Ye holy angels bright
see yellow service card
Ferial
see music sheet
read by Val Bailey

Then he said to Moses, 'Come up to the LORD, you and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, and worship at a distance. ²Moses alone shall come near the LORD; but the others shall not come near, and the people shall not come up with him.'

³ Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the ordinances; and all the people answered with one voice, and said, 'All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do.' ⁴ And Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. He rose early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and set up twelve pillars, corresponding to the twelve tribes of Israel. ⁵ He sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt-offerings and sacrificed oxen as offerings of well-being to the LORD. ⁶ Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he dashed against the altar. ⁷ Then he took the book of the covenant, and read it in the hearing of the people; and they said, 'All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient.' ⁸ Moses took the blood and dashed it on the people, and said, 'See the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.'

⁹ Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰ and they saw the God of Israel. Under his feet there was something like a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. ¹¹ God did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; also they beheld God, and they ate and drank.

¹² The LORD said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' ¹³ So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴ To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶ The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷ Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the

mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

MAGNIFICAT
SECOND LESSON

see music sheet

Matthew 9.1-8

read by Jennifer Clegg

¹And after getting into a boat he crossed the water and came to his own town.

² And just then some people were carrying a paralysed man lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, 'Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven.' ³Then some of the scribes said to themselves, 'This man is blaspheming.' ⁴But Jesus, perceiving their thoughts, said, 'Why do you think evil in your hearts? ⁵For which is easier, to say, "Your sins are forgiven", or to say, "Stand up and walk"? ⁶But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins'—he then said to the paralytic—'Stand up, take your bed and go to your home.' ⁷And he stood up and went to his home. ⁸When the crowds saw it, they were filled with awe, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to human beings.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Sung by the Choir *Dyson in C minor*

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria.

see yellow service card, p 3

THE CREED

ANTHEM

A Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester

White

PRAYERS

Sheila Roberts

HYMN 140

All ye who seek for sure relief

SERMON

Sheila Roberts

HYMN 714 (Tune 713)

Lord of all power, I give you my will

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***

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The Week Ahead

Morning Prayer: Tuesday to Friday

9:00am

Monday

14.30 House Group online. E-mail A.F.Jagger@dunelm.org.uk for the link.

Wednesday

12.30 **Wednesday Wondering** a service of reflection and prayer in church.

21.00 **Compline** via Zoom. To join, please use the link or codes below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86106461239?pwd=eGw4WDFKTHVsOVpsNHJSeVW8wOFFWZz09>

Meeting ID: 861 0646 1239 Passcode: 3cXNr8

Thursday

10.30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order I (traditional)

Celebrant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley (Vicar)

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the Church

Friday

18.00 Choir Practice

19.00 Bible Study via Zoom. To join, please use the link or codes below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83054314360?pwd=RU4yUzhVSnpSajZHanBZYU93K3pOdz09>

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Saturday

14.00 Thanksgiving Service for Wendie Stone at Christchurch, Clarendon Park Road, Leicester, followed by refreshments in the church hall.

Sunday Next – St. Francis & Harvest

08.30 **Holy Communion**

Celebrant: Reverend Andrew Quigley (Vicar)

10.30 **Sung Eucharist**

Celebrant: Reverend Andrew Quigley (Vicar)

Readings: Joel 2.21-27 & Matthew 6.25-33

18.30 **Choral Evensong**

Officiant & Preacher: Revd. Andrew Quigley

DAVID CLARK At 8.30 am today, David Clark will celebrate the last Eucharist at which he is permitted to officiate. His Permission to Officiate (PTO) expires on 30th September, and he has decided not to reapply. After 80 years of age, priests have to renew their PTO annually. For various reasons, he feels the time has come to step down. (This does not affect his right to preach). David and Sarah will continue to worship at St James the Greater, although they are moving to a bungalow in Oadby in the near future. David is very grateful for the church's support during his 21 years of ministry at SJG and we are very grateful to him.

HARVEST GIFTS There will a collection of food, toiletries and household essentials for Leicester South Food Bank for our Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday 3rd October. Please do not bring perishables because they cannot accept them. They are currently short of tinned meat, tinned fish and small squash drinks.

The PCC have agreed that monetary donations should be directed to the International COVAX programme to help poorer countries obtain the Covid-19 vaccine. Donations can be made online through <https://www.gavi.org/covax-facility> or in cash at the Harvest Services using the small envelopes. Please write COVAX on the envelope to help identify the donation.

PCC – A MESSAGE FROM SIMON EDWARDS

Your PCC met on Tuesday 21st September. I have been asked by Margaret Terry to let you all know we still have **vacancies on our PCC**.

Becoming a trustee gives an opportunity to serve our congregation. It is a vibrant and vital role; you will be able to choose and specialise in a particular area of church life as well as contribute to discussion on all matters before our PCC. PCC meetings are by their very nature business meetings however there is always an ever present deepening spiritual fellowship and you may be surprised to know that laughter is also part of each meeting! **We have 5 vacancies**, one for 1 year and 4 vacancies for 3 years. If you would like any further information April and I will welcome your enquiry.

The following people were proposed, seconded and duly elected unopposed to the following positions:

- PCC vice-chair: Simon Edwards
- Secretary: Jennifer Clegg
- Treasurer: Alastair Jackson
- Electoral Roll Officer: April Rule
- Parish Safeguarding Officer: Vicky Roe
- Alastair Jackson was co-opted to the PCC to the next APCM
- Standing Committee: Andrew Quigley, Simon Edwards, April Rule, Alastair Jackson, Caroline Beardsmore

The **next** meeting of your **PCC** is on **7th October 2021**. If you have an issue for the PCC to consider, please contact Jennifer Clegg via the church office at: office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk by Tuesday 28th September.

MEMORIES OF THE VERY REVEREND DEREK HOLE

Many people at St. James the Greater will have known Rev. Derek Hole for years and have lots of memories of him. It would be good to include these in a special edition of the 'Shell' to be published later in the year. If you have any memories that you would like to share with others in this way, please send them to the editor by E-mailing office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk or by posting to the Shell Editor, Church Office, St. James Hall, St. James Terrace, Leicester LE2 1NA. Please send in items by the deadline of Monday 1st November 2021.

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