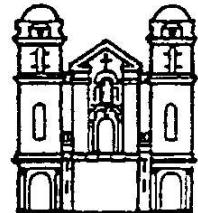


**This week at the Church of
St James the Greater
Leicester**

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**31st OCTOBER 2021
4th SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT
ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS**

Prayer for the Week

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
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:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering
Conceicáo 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 : Joanna Vincent : Andrew Quigley

Rest in peace
Anne Norwood

*The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given by
Chris and Kathryn Morfey in memory of their son Thomas.*

08.30 Welcome to St James the Greater Holy Communion

Common Worship

Celebrant: Reverend Nigel Bostock

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 Servery 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.**

10.30

Choral Mattins

See order of service

Officiant: Angela Jagger

Churchwardens: April Rule and Simon Edwards

Server: Michael Bull

HYMN 308

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PSALM 24. 1 - 6

FIRST LESSON Wisdom 3. 1-9

Rejoice in God's saints

see yellow service card

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see music sheet

see music sheet

read by Sheila Roberts

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,
and no torment will ever touch them.

² In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,
and their departure was thought to be a disaster,

³ and their going from us to be their destruction;
but they are at peace.

⁴ For though in the sight of others they were punished,
their hope is full of immortality.

⁵ Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good,
because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;

⁶ like gold in the furnace he tried them,
and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them.

⁷ In the time of their visitation they will shine forth,

and will run like sparks through the stubble.

⁸ They will govern nations and rule over peoples,
and the Lord will reign over them for ever.

⁹ Those who trust in him will understand truth,
and the faithful will abide with him in love,
because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones,
and he watches over his elect.

TE DEUM said by all

see music sheet

SECOND LESSON Revelation 21. 1-6a *read by Vicky Roe*

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, ‘See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away.’

5 And the one who was seated on the throne said, ‘See, I am making all things new.’ Also he said, ‘Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.’ ⁶ Then he said to me, ‘It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

JUBILATE DEO

Sung by the Choir

Stanford in B flat

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria.

THE CREED

RESPONSES

ANTHEM

PRAYERS

HYMN 300 (Tune 147)

SERMON

HYMN 296

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***

see service card

Ferial

The Fair Chivalry *Ashfield*

Angela Jagger

Glory to you, O God

Angela Jagger

For all the saints

**Please take this leaflet away with you at the end of the Service.
Please leave the hymnbook on your chair as you depart.**

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

The Vicar Writes ...

This week we commemorate both All Saints and All Souls - those heroes of the faith offer inspiration and guidance in how we might follow Christ more closely, and also those "ordinary" people who have gone before us. We may have a particularly heavy burden of remembrance this year, as many of us have lost loved ones recently, and may not have been able to say farewell in a normal funeral service. However we remember, we do so in the faith that ours is a pale shadow of the glorious remembrance, the new life promised in Christ."



18.30

All Souls Requiem

See *special order of service*

Celebrant: Reverend Canon Alistair Helm

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Servers: Michael Bull, William Woolley and Hazel Carlin

Music by Gabriel Fauré

Conductor: Guy Steed. Organist: Michael Rule

This service will be streamed online at our YouTube channel. Click [here](#) to join.

Collect for the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

Eternal God, our Maker and Redeemer,
grant us, with all the faithful departed
the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion
and glorious resurrection

that, in the last day,
when you gather up all things in Christ,
we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises,
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.

FIRST LESSON Lamentations 3. 16-26, 31-33

¹⁶ He has made my teeth grind on gravel,
and made me cower in ashes;
¹⁷ my soul is bereft of peace;
I have forgotten what happiness is;
¹⁸ so I say, ‘Gone is my glory,
and all that I had hoped for from the LORD.’
¹⁹ The thought of my affliction and my homelessness
is wormwood and gall!
²⁰ My soul continually thinks of it
and is bowed down within me.
²¹ But this I call to mind,
and therefore I have hope:
²² The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
²³ they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.
²⁴ ‘The LORD is my portion,’ says my soul,
‘therefore I will hope in him.’

²⁵ The LORD is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.
²⁶ It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the LORD.
³¹ For the Lord will not
reject for ever.
³² Although he causes grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
³³ for he does not willingly afflict
or grieve anyone.

GOSPEL John 6. 37-40

³⁷ Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; ³⁸ for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰ This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.’

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of love,
may the death and resurrection of Christ,
which we have celebrated in this Eucharist
bring us, with all the faithful departed,
into the peace of your eternal home.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ,
our rock and our salvation,
to whom be glory for time and for eternity.

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The Week Ahead

Monday

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

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84393067563?pwd=aTJmVUVrSi9LZ0xGcHdKKzZSSXkwUT09>

Meeting ID: 843 9306 7563 Passcode: Sc2S64

Thursday

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

Celebrant: Reverend Jane Sharp

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the Church

14.30 'At Home' with Hilary Simpson at 24 Holmfield Road

Friday

18.00 Choir Practice

Sunday Next – 3rd before Advent

08.30 **Holy Communion (CW)** Celebrant: Reverend Jane Sharp

10.30 **Sung Eucharist** Celebrant: Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Jonah 3.1-5, 10 and Mark 1. 14-20

18.30 **Choral Evensong** Officiant & Preacher: Rev. Johannes Arens.

STREAMING of our services on YouTube will be paused, except for special services, such as this Sunday evening's All Souls Requiem. Please contact the Vicar or Churchwardens if you have any questions or comments.

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**.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please keep Saturday 20th November free as the provisional date for an occasion to meet together as a church in the hall. More details of the day to follow.

SPIRITUALS AND STANDARDS WITH THE TITANIC JAZZ BAND

Sunday 21st November from 3.45 pm. Come and enjoy, home-made cake, tea and a sing along. Tickets £5 in aid of church funds from Paul Jenkins or Vicky Roe. Please see Paul Jenkins if you can help with baking cakes or making tea.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT WITH EX CATHEDRA

Saturday 4th December at 7.30 pm. Early booking is advised for this special event. Booking is via the [Curve Box Office](#) in Leicester

STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES Named boxes of envelopes for planned giving from December 2021 to November 2022 are on the tables at the back of church for collection by those using this scheme.

YOUR GIVING TO ST JAMES Did you know that in a normal year over 35% of the church's income is made up of regular Direct Debits and Standing Orders from members of the congregation?

If you already give by Direct Debit or Standing Order, thank you! Of course, if you are able to increase the amount you give, that would be very welcome. We do not hold Gift Aid declarations for some people and if this applies to you, we will be in touch to ask if you can fill one in for us.

If you are not already a regular giver, please consider starting a Direct Debit through the Church of England's Parish Giving Scheme. They offer a very friendly service and will help you set everything up over the phone. They make sure that Gift Aid tax relief is claimed (this adds 25p to every £1 that you give), and they pass every penny of your donation straight through to St James the Greater. You can contact the Parish Giving Scheme on 0333 002 1271 (local call rates).

Resources for Home Worship

Broadcast Media

Daily Service	Monday – Friday at 9.45am	Radio 4 LW
Choral Evensong	Wednesday at 4 pm and Sunday at 3 pm	Radio 3
Sunday Worship	Sunday at 8.10am	Radio 4
Songs of Praise	Sunday at 1.15pm	BBC 1

There is also a service on Radio Leicester at 8:00am on a Sunday morning

Online at www.churchofengland.org and www.leicestercathedral.org

DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE Freephone 0800 804 804

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