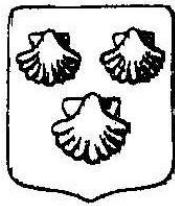
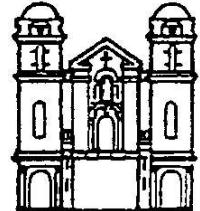


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**This week at the Church of
St James the Greater
Leicester**

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**2nd JANUARY 2022
THE EPIPHANY**

Prayer for the Week

O God,
who by the leading of a star
manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:
mercifully grant that we,
who know you now by faith,
may at last behold your glory 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:

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

Mark Sadler : Ann Blanchard :
Anthony Green : Owen Shepherd :
Josephine Chizema : Darienne Griffith :
Rachel Bentley : Barbara Penrose :
Olive Quigley : Doris Makepeace

08.30 Welcome to St James the Greater Holy Communion

Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

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 South main 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, although masks are now mandatory** (unless legally exempt).

10.30

Sung Eucharist

See order of service

Celebrant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Churchwardens: April Rule and Janet Burton

Server: William Woolley

Setting: Mass of St. Thomas – Thorne

OPENING HYMN 103

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

READING Isaiah 60. 1-6

read by Caroline Beardsmore

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

² For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the LORD will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.

³ Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

⁴ Lift up your eyes and look around;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

⁵ Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,

the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

⁶ A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

GRADUAL HYMN 93

GOSPEL Matthew 2. 1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² asking, ‘Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.’ ³ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ They told him, ‘In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶ “And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel.” ’

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸ Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, ‘Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.’ ⁹ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹ On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

SERMON

INTERCESSIONS

OFFERTORY HYMN 94

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God,

the bright splendour whom the nations seek:

may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light
discern the glory of your presence in your Son,
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Arise, shine out, your light has come

The Reverend Andrew Quigley
The Reverend Andrew Quigley
As with gladness men of old

HYMN 96 (i)**Brightest and best of the sons of the morning**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – *Please be aware of those remaining to listen
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The Vicar Writes ...

This is such a reich feast, so well timed after Christmas and at the start of the calendar year. With the great drama of the Magi's visit enshrined in a thousand nativity plays, we can muse on what gifts we might bring, what journeys we might take, how we might be guided, and where we turn for advice.

**18.30****Evening Prayer****See yellow order of service**

Officiant: Sheila Roberts

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Servers: Hilary Rees and William Woolley

HYMN 95**CONFESION****RESPONSES****PSALM 98**

FIRST LESSON I Samuel 1. 20-end

Bethlehem, what greater city**see yellow service card**

Ferial

see music sheet

read by Andrew Curry

²⁰In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the LORD.'

21 The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. ²²But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the LORD, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.' ²³Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only—may the LORD establish his word.' So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him. ²⁴When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh;

and the child was young. ²⁵Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. ²⁶And she said, ‘Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the LORD. ²⁷For this child I prayed; and the LORD has granted me the petition that I made to him. ²⁸Therefore I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he is given to the LORD.’

She left him there for the LORD.

MAGNIFICAT

SECOND LESSON Matthew 2. 13-end

see music sheet

read by Jennifer Clegg

13 Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, ‘Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.’ ¹⁴Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, ¹⁵and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, ‘Out of Egypt I have called my son.’

16 When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. ¹⁷Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah: ¹⁸‘A voice was heard in Ramah,
wailing and loud lamentation,
Rachel weeping for her children;
she refused to be consoled, because they are no more.’

19 When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, ²⁰‘Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child’s life are dead.’ ²¹Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. ²²But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. ²³There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, ‘He will be called a Nazorean.’

NUNC DIMITTIS HYMN 397

THE CREED

RESPONSES

PRAYERS

HYMN 63

Lord, now let your servant

see yellow service card, p 3

Ferial

Sheila Roberts

‘Glory to God!’ all heav’n with joy is ringing

SERMON

HYMN 104 (omit v.4)

DISMISSAL *Plainsong*

Sheila Roberts

Songs of thankfulness and praise

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

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

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The Week Ahead

Tuesday - Friday

09.00 Morning Prayer in church

Wednesday

13.00 Wednesday Wondering at One

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

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72679624691?pwd=eVA5bEYxU2dRcTRnMEhpdWZqTHF0QT09M>
Meeting ID: 726 7962 4691 Passcode: 4ZuNX4

Thursday

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

Celebrant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the Church

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

19.30 PCC meeting on Zoo

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>
Meeting ID: 830 5431 4360 Passcode: 922881

Sunday Next – Epiphany I – Baptism of Christ

08.30 **Holy Communion**

Celebrant: The Reverend Jane Sharp

10.30 **Sung Eucharist**

Celebrant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Isaiah 43. 1-7 and Luke 3. 15-17, 21-22

18.30 **Choral Evensong**

Officiant: Angela Jagger

ENTRY TO CHURCH Entry to and exit from church will be through the South West porch door. Please take care on the slope and use the handrails if it is or has been raining, there may be damp leaves to avoid too. It is very easy to slip on wet or icy surfaces, which includes the steps and whole area of our forecourt. Hand sanitiser will still be available inside the church.

FORTHCOMING CONCERT

KNIGHTON CHAMBER ORCHESTRA plays Mozart at St. James Church on Saturday 22nd January at 4 pm. Programme: Clarinet Concerto, arias from Figaro, Piano Concerto No. 23 and Symphony No. 29. Tickets £10 are available after services and on the door. Proceeds to St. James the Greater Church.

ZUMBA CLASS If you or someone you know wants to improve your fitness for the New Year, you make like to join a Zumba exercise class in the Undercroft on Mondays from 7-8 pm. The first session will be on Monday 17th January 2022. Fees per class are £4 for students and £6 for non-students. Bundles of 5 classes are available for the cheaper prices of £15 for students and £25 for non-students. Contact Kristyna Vorlova on 07553 414264 or E-mail: k.vorlova@centrum.cz

CONTACTING THE TEAM

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WEEKLY BULLETIN Any notices and information should reach the Church Office by 9 am on Thursday morning for inclusion in the leaflet for the following Sunday. E-mail: office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk or telephone 0116 2542111 and leave a message.

ACCESSIBLE VERSION OF BULLETIN If you find the format of this leaflet difficult to access and would prefer to have it sent in Word rather than as a PDF, then please leave a message at office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk or 0116 2542111.

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 8044

This offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. The line – which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services in mind. This is a Freephone number.

Some of the options have been changed and are detailed below:

- * A message from the Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby.
- # Sleep Well – four reflections before bedtime.
- 1. Christmas at home on the phone – The Christmas Story.
- 2. Carol line – carols and the stories behind them with reflections from Pam Rhodes.
- 3. ‘The Heart of Christmas’ Reflections from the C of E.
- 4. Chair Exercises.
- 5. Weekly service from C of E.
- 6. Morning and Evening Prayer from Common Worship.
- 9. Details of where to send written communications.
- 0. Returns you to the main menu.

It is helpful to have the telephone on speakerphone to avoid having to hold the handset.

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