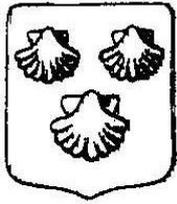
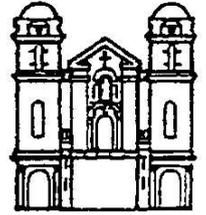


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**This week at the Church of
St James the Greater
Leicester**

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**13th MARCH 2022
LENT 2**

Prayer for the Week

Almighty God,
you show to those who are in error the light of your truth,
that they may return to the way of righteousness:
grant to all those who are admitted
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,
that they may reject those things
that are contrary to their profession,
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
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

Conceição 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 : Kath Higginson :
Anne Sylvester

08.30 Welcome to St James the Greater Holy Communion

Common Worship Order One (Traditional)

Celebrant: The Reverend Jane Sharp

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

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If you are joining us in church for the 10:30 or 18:30 services, you will find a hymn book in the back of the chairs. The Service booklet will contain this weekly leaflet. It is likely that COVID-19 will be a feature of our lives for the foreseeable future, we will gradually learn to live with it and manage the risk to ourselves and others. If you require seat spacing notices, these are available on the tables as you come into Church.

10.30 Sung Eucharist

See order of service

Celebrant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and Janet Burton

Servers: Tony Chizema and William Woolley

Setting: Missa Brevis - Wills

OPENING HYMN 641 (i)

Glorious things of thee are spoken

READING Genesis 15. 1-12, 17-18

read by Andy Judge

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' ²But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' ³And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' ⁵He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

⁷ Then he said to him, 'I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' ⁸But he said, 'O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?' ⁹He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old,

a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' ¹⁰He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. ¹¹And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

12 As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

17 When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. ¹⁸On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.

GRADUAL HYMN 702

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

GOSPEL Luke 13. 31-35

31 At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' ³²He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. ³³Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." ³⁴Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! ³⁵See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord." '

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

INTERCESSIONS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

OFFERTORY HYMN 806

There's a wideness in God's mercy

ANTHEM

Hide not thou thy face - Farrant

POST COMMUNION HYMN 140

All ye who seek for sure relief

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God,

you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:

keep us both outwardly in our bodies,

and inwardly in our souls;

that we may be defended from all adversities

which may happen to the body,

and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 655

Have faith in God, my heart

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – J.S. Bach: Aus tiefer Not schrei' ich zu dir BWV 686

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

The Vicar Writes ...

As we witness astounding courage from the people of Ukraine, our readings invite reflection on fear, courage and love. Abram is told, like so many people in scripture “do not be afraid”. Jesus is warned to flee coming persecution, but refuses, and is moved to an anguished expression of compassion for Jerusalem. Our post-communion prayer asks for God’s defence, and Abram is told God will be his shield, but events in Ukraine as well as in Jerusalem two-thousand years ago, remind us that God’s protection does not guarantee a life without suffering. But as shown in His enduring covenant with Abraham, and the refusal to flee Jerusalem, he does not abandon us either.



18.30

Choral Evensong

See yellow order of service

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley
Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule
Servers: Michael Bull and Hilary Rees

HYMN 128 (i)

CONFESSION

RESPONSES

PSALM 135 v.1-14

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 22. 1-9, 13-17

Jesu, lover of my soul

see yellow service card

Ferial

see music sheet

read by Mike Bull

Thus says the LORD: Go down to the house of the king of Judah, and speak there this word, ²and say: Hear the word of the LORD, O King of Judah sitting on the throne of David—you, and your servants, and your people who enter these gates. ³Thus says the LORD: Act with justice and righteousness, and deliver from the hand of the oppressor anyone who has been robbed. And do no wrong or violence to the alien, the orphan, and the widow, nor shed innocent blood in this place. ⁴For if you will indeed obey this word, then through the gates of this house

shall enter kings who sit on the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their servants, and their people. ⁵But if you will not heed these words, I swear by myself, says the LORD, that this house shall become a desolation. ⁶For thus says the LORD concerning the house of the king of Judah:

You are like Gilead to me,
like the summit of Lebanon;
but I swear that I will make you a desert,
an uninhabited city.

⁷ I will prepare destroyers against you,
all with their weapons;
they shall cut down your choicest cedars
and cast them into the fire.

⁸ And many nations will pass by this city, and all of them will say one to another, 'Why has the LORD dealt in this way with that great city?' ⁹And they will answer, 'Because they abandoned the covenant of the LORD their God, and worshipped other gods and served them.'

¹³ Woe to him who builds his house by unrighteousness,
and his upper rooms by injustice;
who makes his neighbours work for nothing,
and does not give them their wages;

¹⁴ who says, 'I will build myself a spacious house
with large upper rooms',
and who cuts out windows for it,
panelling it with cedar,
and painting it with vermilion.

¹⁵ Are you a king
because you compete in cedar?
Did not your father eat and drink
and do justice and righteousness?
Then it was well with him.

¹⁶ He judged the cause of the poor and needy;
then it was well.

Is not this to know me?
says the LORD.

¹⁷ But your eyes and heart
are only on your dishonest gain,
for shedding innocent blood,
and for practising oppression and violence.

²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

NUNC DIMITTIS

sung by the choir Short Service – Gibbons
Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

THE CREED

see yellow service card, p 3

RESPONSES

Ferial

ANTHEM

Thou knowest, Lord – Purcell

PRAYERS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

HYMN 653

Happy are they, they that love God

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

HYMN 135

Take up thy cross, the Saviour said

DISMISSAL *Plainsong*

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

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – Henry Purcell (1659-1695), Voluntary in C

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The Week Ahead

Tuesday - Friday

09.00 Morning Prayer in church

Tuesday

19.00 'Living in Love and Faith' Course in the Ashman Room.

Wednesday

18.30 Compline in Church and on Zoom.

Thursday

10.30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (traditional)

Celebrant: The Reverend Jane Sharp

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>

Meeting ID: 830 5431 4360 Passcode: 922881

Sunday Next – Lent 3

08.30 **Holy Communion**

Celebrant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

10.30 **Sung Eucharist**

Celebrant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Isaiah 55. 1-9 and Luke 13. 1-9

18.30 **Choral Evensong**

Officiant: Angela Jagger

LENT COURSE This year we are running the "Living in Love and Faith" course, which asks, "How do questions about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage fit within the bigger picture of the good news of Jesus Christ? What does it mean to live in love and faith together as a Church?" These are serious issues for the wider church, and touch many of us personally.

The course lasts five weeks and will run in the Ashman Room on Tuesdays at 7 pm, starting on 8th March. Please talk to the Vicar if you'd like more information.

THANK YOU FOR THE STAMPS Cherry Followay thanks all those who donated stamps for Inter Care to help raise funds for the most vulnerable patients in sub-Saharan Africa. In addition to stamps, the charity can also take jewellery, small electrical devices, branded printer inkjets, old bank notes and coins to be sold or recycled. Please leave any donations on the back tables at church in an envelope or bag marked for the attention of Cherry Followay.

BISHOP'S LENT APPEAL is in support of FareShare Midlands to Fight Hunger, Tackle Waste and Create Opportunities. More than 8.4 million people in the UK are living in 'deep poverty', struggling to afford everyday essentials including food. At the same time over 6.7 million tonnes of food goes to waste every year. In 2021, FareShare Midlands redistributed 6,242 tonnes of food! Not only has this provided 15 million meals, it has also prevented the waste of 10,000 tonnes of embedded CO₂e.

You can donate through JustGiving at

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/BishopofLeicestersLentAppeal2022>

or you can donate by cheque. Please post it to:

Bishop's Lent Appeal – Leicestershire
FareShare Midlands
10 Wilson Road
Leicester
LE18 4TP

UKRAINE APPEAL

DEC charities and their local partners are in Ukraine and in neighbouring countries providing food, water, shelter and medical assistance. To make a donation, go to <https://www.dec.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal>

A prayer for Ukraine has been put on a notice in the front porch.

CONTACTING THE TEAM

Andrew can be contacted by E-mail at: revdaquigley@gmail.com or 0116 2544113. The Church Office can be contacted by E-mail at: office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk or by telephoning 0116 2542111 and leaving a message. Simon Edwards can be contacted at fabric@stjamesthegreater.org.uk Please do not hesitate to get in touch. Further details are on our website: www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk

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 1.15 pm	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

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