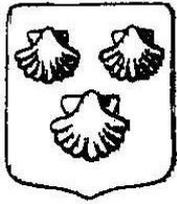
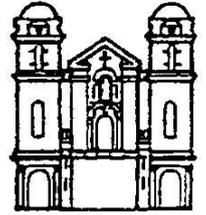


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20th MARCH 2022
LENT 3

Prayer for the Week

Almighty God,
whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain,
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,
may find it none other than the way of life and peace;
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

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 :

Ann Sylvester

Rest in Peace

Conceição Fernandes

my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵ See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

⁶ Seek the LORD while he may be found,
call upon him while he is near;

⁷ let the wicked forsake their way,
and the unrighteous their thoughts;

let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.

⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

PSALM 63. 1-9

see music sheet

GOSPEL Luke 13. 1-9

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. ²He asked them, ‘Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? ³No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. ⁴Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? ⁵No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.’

⁶ Then he told this parable: ‘A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. ⁷So he said to the gardener, “See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?” ⁸He replied, “Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. ⁹If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.” ’

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

INTERCESSIONS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

OFFERTORY HYMN 644

God is Love: let heav'n adore him

ANTHEM

Sicut Cervus - Palestrina

POST COMMUNION HYMN 127

Lord Jesus, think on me

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Lord,
grant your people grace to withstand the temptations
of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 580

Judge eternal, throned in splendour

ORGAN VOLUNTARY - *Please be aware of those remaining to listen*

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

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

The Vicar Writes

We enjoy playing the blame game – finding out who is at fault and exactly what they did wrong. Friends, neighbours, politicians – such rich pickings! And when people get their just desserts it's even more satisfying. But what if those who suffer aren't to blame? And what if we, from our comfortable positions of judgement, are to blame? Jesus, the innocent victim, upends our assumptions about blame and punishment and challenges us with mercy.



18.30

Choral Evensong

See yellow order of service

Officiant: Angela Jagger

Churchwardens: April Rule and Paul Jenkins

Servers: Sara King and Rod Eynon-Baldock

HYMN 358 (i)

CONFESSION

RESPONSES

PSALM 12

FIRST LESSON Genesis 28.10-19a

Be still, for the presence of the Lord

see yellow service card

Ferial

see music sheet

read by William Woolley

10 Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. ¹¹He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. ¹²And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³And the LORD stood beside him and said, 'I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; ¹⁴and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. ¹⁵Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' ¹⁶Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!' ¹⁷And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

18 So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. ¹⁹He called that place Bethel; but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

MAGNIFICAT

sung by the choir Dyson in C minor

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

SECOND LESSON John 1.35-51

read by Val Bailey

35 The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' ³⁹He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?'

Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' ⁵⁰Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' ⁵¹And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

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RESPONSES

ANTHEM

PRAYERS

HYMN 258

SERMON

HYMN 324 (ii)

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Ferial

Litany to the Holy Spirit – Hurford

Angela Jagger

O thou who camest from above

Angela Jagger

Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult

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

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82304355178?pwd=SlpmMlI4R0IxOGcvYlVMbjBsL0xNQOT09>

Meeting ID: 823 0435 5178 Passcode: skXIb5

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

19.30 PCC Meeting in the Ashman Room

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 4 - Mothering Sunday

08.30 Holy Communion

Celebrant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

10.30 Sung Eucharist
with Baptism

Celebrant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Exodus 2.1-10 and John 19. 25b-27

18.30 Choral Evensong

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

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 continues in the Ashman Room on Tuesdays at 7 pm. Please talk to the Vicar if you'd like more information.

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.

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

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FORTHCOMING CONCERTS

BACH'S ST. JOHN PASSION sung by Leicester Philharmonic Choir on Saturday 2nd April at 7.30 pm. Tickets £15, £10 from www.thephil.org.uk

EASTER CONCERT OF FRENCH MUSIC sung by Leicester Bach Choir on Saturday 9th April at 7.30 pm. Tickets £18 from www.leicesterbachchoir.org.uk

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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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