

This week at the Church of St James the Greater

Leicester

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10th JULY 2022 **TRINITY 4**

Prayer for the Week

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord lesus Christ's sake, 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: Mollie Drake and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering

Mark Sadler: Ann Blanchard:

Anthony Green: Josephine Chizema:

Kath Higginson: Gillian Boorne: Paul Makepeace

The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given by Julia Warner.

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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COVID-19 has become a feature of our lives for the foreseeable future. At St James we will still provide **hand sanitiser** and if you require seat **notices** asking members of the congregation **not to sit next to you**, these are available on the tables you can see as you come into Church, you may wish to place a notice on several chairs.

10.30

Choral Mattins

See order of service

Officiant: Sheila Roberts

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and Janet Burton

Server: Angela Finn and William Woolley

HYMN 676

CONFESSION

PRECES

VENITE

PSALM 77. 1-12

FIRST LESSON Genesis 32, 9-30

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

see yellow service card

Ferial

see music sheet

see music sheet

read by Ian Jones

And Jacob said, 'O God of my father Abraham and God of my father Isaac, O LORD who said to me, "Return to your country and to your kindred, and I will do you good", ¹⁰I am not worthy of the least of all the steadfast love and all the faithfulness that you have shown to your servant, for with only my staff I crossed this Jordan; and now I have become two companies. ¹¹Deliver me, please, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau, for I am afraid of him; he may come and kill us all, the mothers with the children. ¹²Yet you have said, "I will surely do you good, and make your offspring as the sand of the sea, which cannot be counted because of their number."

13 So he spent that night there, and from what he had with him he took a present for his brother Esau, ¹⁴two hundred female goats and twenty male goats, two hundred ewes and twenty rams, ¹⁵thirty milch camels and their colts, forty cows and ten bulls, twenty female donkeys and ten male donkeys. ¹⁶These he delivered

into the hand of his servants, each drove by itself, and said to his servants, 'Pass on ahead of me, and put a space between drove and drove.' ¹⁷He instructed the foremost, 'When Esau my brother meets you, and asks you, "To whom do you belong? Where are you going? And whose are these ahead of you?" ¹⁸then you shall say, "They belong to your servant Jacob; they are a present sent to my lord Esau; and moreover he is behind us." ¹⁹He likewise instructed the second and the third and all who followed the droves, 'You shall say the same thing to Esau when you meet him, ²⁰and you shall say, "Moreover your servant Jacob is behind us." ' For he thought, 'I may appease him with the present that goes ahead of me, and afterwards I shall see his face; perhaps he will accept me.' ²¹So the present passed on ahead of him; and he himself spent that night in the camp.

22 The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' ²⁷So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' ²⁸Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.'

TE DEUM said by all

SECOND LESSON Mark 7. 1-23

see music sheet for the words read by Andy Judge

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, ²they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) ⁵So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' ⁶He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

"This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me;

⁷ in vain do they worship me,

teaching human precepts as doctrines."

8You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

- 9 Then he said to them, 'You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to keep your tradition! ¹⁰For Moses said, "Honour your father and your mother"; and, "Whoever speaks evil of father or mother must surely die." ¹¹But you say that if anyone tells father or mother, "Whatever support you might have had from me is Corban" (that is, an offering to God)— ¹²then you no longer permit doing anything for a father or mother, ¹³thus making void the word of God through your tradition that you have handed on. And you do many things like this.'
- 14 Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.'
- 17 When he had left the crowd and entered the house, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸He said to them, 'Then do you also fail to understand? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile, ¹⁹since it enters, not the heart but the stomach, and goes out into the sewer?' (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰And he said, 'It is what comes out of a person that defiles. ²¹For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, ²²adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

JUBILATE DEO Sung by the Choir Britten

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria.

THE CREED see service card

RESPONSES Ayleward

ANTHEM Greater Love Ireland

PRAYERS Sheila Roberts

HYMN 702 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

SERMON Sheila Roberts

HYMN 806 There's a wideness in God's mercy

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

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God!

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – P. Whitlock (1903-1946) - Fanfare

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

18.30

Sung Eucharist

See order of service

Celebrant: The Reverend Philip Norwood Churchwardens: April Rule and David Kibert Servers: Michael Bull and Tony Chizema

Setting: Darke in F

OPENING HYMN 448 i GLORIA

READING Deuteronomy 30. 9-14

I come with joy, a child of God

Darke in F

read by David Kibert

And the LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, ¹⁰when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Il Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. ¹²It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' ¹³Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' ¹⁴No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

GRADUAL HYMN 383

Lord, thy word abideth

GOSPEL Luke 10. 25-37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' ²⁶He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' ²⁷He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' ²⁸And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

29 But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' ³⁰Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to

the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers? ³⁷He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him. 'Go and do likewise.'

SERMON

INTERCESSIONS

OFFERTORY HYMN 422

ANTHFM

The Reverend Philip Norwood

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Alleluia, sing to Jesus!

Ubi Caritas Durufle

POST COMMUNION HYMN 430 i Bread of heaven, on thee we feed Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 22 Saviour, again to thy dear name we raise

ORGAN VOLUNTARY -

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The Vicar Writes

It's one of the horrendous paradoxes of our civilization that as some struggle to afford food, others count calories, avoid gluten, lactose and other "evils". Fads like "clean eating" and paleo diets occupy the minds and time of millions.

Jesus' point from 2000 years ago remains pressing – if only we devoted as much thought and energy to our moral fibre as our dietary fibre!



The Week Ahead

Wednesday

21.00 **Compline** via Zoom. To join, please use the link or codes below: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88433958683?pwd=glwHjYCu5Ri4w0u0DfOS9x8o6BNnXw.I

Meeting ID: 884 3395 8683 Passcode: 81wPdY

Thursday

10.30 Holy Communion Common Worship, Order I (traditional)

Celebrant: The Reverend Jane Sharp

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the Church

19.30 St. James Singers Rehearsal in the Ashman Room

Friday

18.00 Choir Practice

Sunday Next – Trinity 5

08.30 **Holy Communion** Celebrant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

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

Readings: Genesis 18. I-10 and Luke 10. 38-42

18.30 **Choral Evensong** Officiant: Angela Jagger

KNIGHTON CHAMBER ORCHESTRA will be performing another Mozart concert today at 3 pm. The programme will include the Horn Concerto No. 2, Sinfonia Concertante and the Symphony No. 40. Tickets £10 on the door.

COMMUNION Following consultation and reflection, we intend to offer wine once again at Communion from the 17th of July. The common cup will be available for all who feel ready to receive in this way. Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) will not be used. Some people will quite reasonably not feel comfortable receiving the wine at this time, and there is of course absolutely no compulsion – receiving the bread alone remains a full and valid form of Communion.

Since we are unsure how many will want to receive the wine, we will be asking those intending to receive it, to place a token in a basket before taking their seat, so appropriate quantities can be consecrated.

THE SHELL The deadline for contributions to the next edition of 'The Shell' is Friday 5th of August. Please send items for inclusion to the church office by post or E-mail or to Paul Jenkins at editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

JOURNEY IN FAITH COURSE

This is a 3-term course that provides the time and space for people to:

- ♦ Grow in knowledge of the Christian faith,
- ♦ Deepen their relationship with God,
- ♦ Explore how to live out faith in the whole of life.

Introductory session: Saturday 24th September 10am-12.00.

Course venues: South Wigston - Monday evening, Coalville - Tuesday evening, Leicester - Wednesday evening, Hinckley - Thursday evening.

Who can join? It is open to anyone - there is some reading to do between sessions, but you don't need to have done any studying before.

Is there a cost? £40 per term to cover venue hire and materials, but speak to us if this is a barrier.

How do I join a course? For more information or to register contact Liz Rawlings (liz.rawlings@leicestercofe.org).

What does a previous participant say? "If you want to know more about yourself and your Christian faith, then JiF is the course for you. You'll be welcomed and challenged, affirmed and changed, and you'll definitely be glad you came."

Mike Rule has recently completed the course, if you want to know more about it.

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 8.10 am Radio 4
Songs of Praise Sunday at 1.15 am BBC 2

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

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