

This week at the Church of St James the Greater

Leicester

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4th SEPTEMBER 2022 TRINITY 12 - CREATIONTIDE I

Prayer for the Week

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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: 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: Peter Relph: Nicola Shilton:

Rest in Peace

Joyce Geldard (94) Former Director of St. James Ladies Choir

The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given by Vicky Roe.

08.30 Welcome to St James the Greater Holy Communion

Book of Common Prayer
President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley
Assisted by: Mike Rule
Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

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10.30

Sung Eucharist

See order of service

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Assisted by: William Simpey

Churchwarden: April Rule and Janet Burton

Servers: William Simpey, Michael Bull and William Woolley

Setting: Darke in E Gloria: Lecot

OPENING HYMN 541 (T.648 ii) Lord of beauty, thine the splendour

GLORIA Lecot

READING Deuteronomy 30.15-end read by Jennifer Smith See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, 181 declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the lordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to lacob.

GRADUAL HYMN 379 (T. 337) God has spoken – by his prophets

GOSPEL Luke 14. 25-33

Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my

disciple. 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.

SERMON INTERCESSIONS

OFFERTORY HYMN 635

ANTHEM

The Reverend Andrew Quigley
The Reverend Andrew Quigley
For the healing of the nations
For the beauty of the earth Rutter

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

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of lesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 580

Judge eternal, throned in splendour

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

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Everyone is invited for refreshments on the forecourt of our church after the service.

11.30 VESTRY MEETING for the election of Churchwardens.

The Vicar Writes

We have been possessed by our possessions. We have waged war on the planet without counting the cost. We have chosen death and adversity. This Creationtide the call for repentance and for action could not be stronger. The wildfires, the floods, the scorching temperatures and devastating storms join with scripture in their warning.



18.30

Choral Evensong

See yellow order of service

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Churchwardens: April Rule

Servers: Sara King and Ron Eynon-Baldock

HYMN 737 CONFESSION

PRECES

PSALM 121

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 43.14-44.5

New songs of celebration render

see yellow service card

Rose

see music sheet

read by Jennifer Clegg

Thus says the LORD,

your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel:

For your sake I will send to Babylon

and break down all the bars,

and the shouting of the Chaldeans will be turned to lamentation.

- ¹⁵ I am the LORD, your Holy One, the Creator of Israel, your King.
- 16 Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters,
- who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior;

they lie down, they cannot rise,

they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

- ¹⁸ Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.
- ¹⁹ I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness

and rivers in the desert.

²⁰ The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches;

for I give water in the wilderness,

rivers in the desert,

to give drink to my chosen people,

the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

- ²² Yet you did not call upon me, O Jacob; but you have been weary of me, O Israel!
- You have not brought me your sheep for burnt-offerings, or honoured me with your sacrifices.
- I have not burdened you with offerings, or wearied you with frankincense.
- ²⁴ You have not bought me sweet cane with money, or satisfied me with the fat of your sacrifices.

But you have burdened me with your sins; you have wearied me with your iniquities.

- ²⁵ I, I am He who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins.
- ²⁶ Accuse me, let us go to trial; set forth your case, so that you may be proved right.
- Your first ancestor sinned, and your interpreters transgressed against me.
- ²⁸ Therefore I profaned the princes of the sanctuary, I delivered Jacob to utter destruction, and Israel to reviling.
- 44 But now hear, O Jacob my servant, Israel whom I have chosen!
- ² Thus says the LORD who made you, who formed you in the womb and will help you:

Do not fear, O Jacob my servant, Jeshurun whom I have chosen.

- ³ For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams on the dry ground;
- I will pour my spirit upon your descendants, and my blessing on your offspring.
- ⁴ They shall spring up like a green tamarisk, like willows by flowing streams.
- ⁵ This one will say, 'I am the LORD's', another will be called by the name of Jacob, yet another will write on the hand, 'The LORD's', and adopt the name of Israel.

MAGNIFICAT

Sung by the Choir Dyson in F
Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

SECOND LESSON John 5.30-47

read by Brenda Thompson

'I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge; and my judgement is just, because I seek to do not my own will but the will of him who sent me.

- 31 'If I testify about myself, my testimony is not true. ³²There is another who testifies on my behalf, and I know that his testimony to me is true. ³³You sent messengers to John, and he testified to the truth. ³⁴Not that I accept such human testimony, but I say these things so that you may be saved. ³⁵He was a burning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light. ³⁶But I have a testimony greater than John's. The works that the Father has given me to complete, the very works that I am doing, testify on my behalf that the Father has sent me. ³⁷And the Father who sent me has himself testified on my behalf. You have never heard his voice or seen his form, ³⁸and you do not have his word abiding in you, because you do not believe him whom he has sent.
- 39 'You search the scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that testify on my behalf. ⁴⁰Yet you refuse to come to me to have life. ⁴¹I do not accept glory from human beings. ⁴²But I know that you do not have the love of God in you. ⁴³I have come in my Father's name, and you do not accept me; if another comes in his own name, you will accept him. ⁴⁴How can you believe when you accept glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the one who alone is God? ⁴⁵Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; your accuser is Moses, on whom you have set your hope. ⁴⁶If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me. ⁴⁷But if you do not believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?'

NUNC DIMITTIS Sung by the Choir Dyson in F

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THE CREED see yellow service card, p 3

RESPONSES Ferial

ANTHEM If ye love me Tallis

PRAYERS The Reverend Andrew Quigley

HYMN 269 Can we by searching find out God

SERMON The Reverend Andrew Quigley

HYMN 586 All praise to Christ, our Lord and king divine

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

08.00 Morning Prayer in church

Wednesday

19.00 Choir Youth Group meet in the Undercroft. See Guy and Chiara Steed.

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

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89018430976?pwd=RUtBTzFHTWhYTHIJUFVEZnRqeXFUUT09

Meeting ID: : 890 1843 0976 Passcode: ZDJXU2

Thursday

10.30 Holy Communion

President: The Reverend Jane Sharp. Assisted by: Lin Mawer.

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the church

Saturday

10.00-14.00 Ride and Stride and Church Open Day.

Sunday Next – Trinity 13 and Creationtide 2

08.30 Holy Communion

10.30 **Sung Eucharist**

18.30 Choral Evensong

President: The Reverend Philip Norwood President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Exodus 32.7-14 and Luke 15.1-10 Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Preacher: Anne Scott

FEMALE SERVERS Next Sunday there will be a belated celebration of fifty years since the first two ladies acted as servers - one of whom is still with us.

COMMON CUP Wine is 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 want to receive the wine, we are asking those intending to receive it, to place a red token into a small basket, which is on the large table at the back of church near the font before taking their seat, so appropriate quantities can be consecrated.

THE SHELL Printed copies of the latest edition are at the back of church.

RIGOLETTO Knighton Opera and Knighton Chamber Orchestra will be performing a semi-staged version of Verdi's opera at St. James, conducted by Paul Jenkins. Performances will be at 7 pm on Saturday 17th and 24th September (tickets £15) and Thursday 22nd September (tickets £12). Tickets can be purchased on the door, through the church office by calling 0116 2542111 or by E-mailing office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

CHARACTER AND COLOUR – THE STAINED GLASS OF

THEODORA SALUSBURY. An illustrated talk about her work on Sunday 18th September from 2.00-3.30pm at The Guildhall. (Theodora Salusbury designed some of the stained glass here at St. James.) Cost: £4.50: pre-booking required. Contact the Guildhall on 0116 2532569. Further details and online booking at https://www.leicestermuseums.org/event-details/?id=a63dbcaa-0867-49fd-a9f7-7676cf837d24

ST JAMES' YOUTH GROUP

The first meeting of the term is taking place **Wednesday 7th September from 7:30-9pm** in the Vicarage garden. All young people in years 8-13 are welcome to join us for games, food and a short discussion based on a Bible passage.

Term cards are also now available to pick up from the back of church or in the music room.

EVENSONG SERVICES

Over the summer we have undertaken a review of our Evensong services and are experimenting with some changes over a trial period until October half term. Roughly alternate weeks, the choir will sing the Canticles or Responses as a set (so either both the Preces and Responses or both the Magnificat and the Nunc Dimittis). The other weeks will be as before with congregation joining in on one out of the set. We will also be introducing an additional hymn to encourage congregational participation during this service. We would appreciate constructive feedback as we try out this new style of worship.

JUNIOR CHOIR AND RECRUITMENT - CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to help to encourage children to sing in our new Junior Choir there are a few rewarding volunteer opportunities available:

The Junior Choir will meet on Fridays at 4.30pm-6.00pm from 14th October, so supervision will be needed from safely recruited adult for the Friday practices and during Sunday services. If a few people sign up, this could be done on a rota system. If you'd like to find out more, please talk to or contact Emma Trounson.

On Wednesday 5th October we welcome local schools who have signed up for our choral workshop and performance day for Year 3 and 4 pupils. I'm looking for a couple of volunteers to assist with practical things either during the morning workshops (from 9.30am) and/or the afternoon performance. The teachers will be supervising the children, so it would be serving refreshments to the teachers, showing groups to the toilets, welcoming the audience for the concert. You could just attend as part of the audience at 2pm and show your support in this way.

The hope is that the children and others will return for **our 'Be a chorister for a day' event on Sunday 9**th **October**, which is International Chorister's Day, with workshops taking place from 1pm and Evensong taking place at the earlier time of 5 pm to accommodate the young children, with refreshments served afterwards.

Please talk to or email Emma Trounson – <u>dom@stjamesthegreater.org.uk</u> to find out more or sign up!

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.

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 9.45 am 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 pm BBC I

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:

- # Sleep Well four reflections before bedtime.
- 1. Hymns we love one each day with a spoken reflection based on it.
- 2. Hymn line favourite hymns on a repeating loop.
- 3. Holiday at home on the 'phone.
- 4. Chair Exercises.
- 5. Weekly service from Church of England.
- 6. Morning and Evening Prayer from Common Worship.
- 7. Mother's Union Prayer
- 8. Special prayer for the situation in Ukraine.
- 9. Details for written communications and donations.
- 0. Returns you to the main menu.

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

Vicky Roe.
Pastoral Assistant

DEC PAKISTAN FLOODS APPEAL

The Disasters Emergency Committee, an umbrella group of UK charities, has launched an appeal for funds to help those in Pakistan affected by the recent flooding. The UK Government will match pound-for-pound up to £5 million by the public to this appeal. Donations can be made by telephone on 0330 678 1000 or online at www.dec.org.uk

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