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This week at the Church of St James the Greater

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27th NOVEMBER 2022 ADVENT SUNDAY

Prayer for the Week

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him 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 : Anne Sylvester : Nina French Rev'd Helen Newman (recently Chaplain at LOROS and Co-Warden at Launde Abbey)

08.30

Welcome to St James the Greater Holy Communion

Common Worship Order One (Traditional) President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar Assisted by: Lin Mawer Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

10.30

Sung Eucharist

See order of service

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar Assisted by: David Kibert Churchwardens: April Rule and Janet Burton Servers: Charles Samuel and William Simpey Setting: Darke in F

OPENING HYMN 38

Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding

READING Isaiah 2.1-5

read by Andy Judge

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. ² In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills: all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. ⁴ He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. **GRADUAL HYMN 36** Hark the glad sound! the Saviour comes GOSPEL Matthew 24.36-44

'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹ and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴²Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

SERMON **INTERCESSIONS** OFFERTORY HYMN 99 (omit v.4) Let all mortal flesh keep silence Bairstow

The Reverend Andrew Quigley The Reverend Andrew Quigley Hail to the Lord's Anointed

ANTHEM

POST COMMUNION HYMN 50 (T.602) The advent of our King

Post Communion Prayer

O Lord our God. make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 30

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

ORGAN VOLUNTARY - J.S.Bach, Fugue on Nun komm der Heiden Heiland

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

Everyone is invited for refreshments after the service.

The Vicar Writes

Advent is here! Are we ready? I don't mean shopping and decorations and Christmas cards – are we ready to meet the coming King? We are called to be prepared, to be alert, for he could be here at any time – he could be here in the lonely person seeking conversation, the stranger seeking welcome, the world seeking healing.



18.30

Advent Procession

see order of service

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar Churchwardens: Simon Edwards, April Rule, Paul Jenkins Servers: William Woolley, Michael Bull, Tony Chizema, Val Bailey, Lucy Hutchinson, Sara King and Rod Eynon-Baldock.



Our thanks to Rod Eynon-Baldock for refurbishing the centre aisle candle stands.

The Week Ahead

Tuesday – Friday

08.00 Morning Prayer in church

Monday

14.30 House Group online. E-mail <u>A.F.Jagger@dunelm.org.uk</u> for the link

Wednesday

19.30 St. James' Youth Group meet in the Undercroft

21.00 **Compline** via Zoom. To join, please use the link or codes below: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81907736080?pwd=UDBMWHFYMmliQ3hzNGdKckRxK01ZZz09 Meeting ID: 819 0773 6080 Passcode: 2BA0Xr

Thursday

10.30 Holy CommunionPresident: The Reverend Andrew Quigley
Assisted by: Sheila Roberts

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the Church

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

19.30 St. James Singers Rehearsal in the Ashman Room

Friday

16.30 Junior Choir18.00 Choir Practice.

Saturday

19.30 Ex Cathedra Carols by Candlelight (see notice below)

Sunday Next – Advent 2

08.30 Holy Communion BCP	President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley	
10.30 Sung Eucharist	President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley	
-	Readings: Isaiah 11.1-10 and Matthew 3.1-12	
15.00 Freemasons' Carol Service Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley		
18.30 Evensong (no choir)	Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley	

COMMON CUP Please place a red token into a small basket, which is on the large table at the back of church before taking your seat, if you wish to receive the wine, so appropriate quantities can be consecrated.

OFFERTORY From Sunday 20th November we returned to blessing the offertory as part of our services. **Please place any envelopes or loose collection into the baskets at the back of the church before** taking your seat, so that it can be taken to the high altar and blessed during the service.

STAMPS FOR CHARITY Please bring donations of stamps to help raise money for Inter Care and put them in the box provided. As the stamp design will be changing, the current ones will become more valuable.

JUNIOR CHOIR

Our Junior Choir has now launched and meets on Fridays 4.30 pm-5.30 pm and welcomes children of primary age. They will sing roughly once a month at Sunday services to begin with, for which they will even earn a bit of pocket money! The choir is free to join, there are no auditions and the boys and girls will sing in our supportive and inclusive church environment. Being a chorister means getting a free music education. From the moment they start school onwards children can be part of an organisation where they will improve their singing voice, learn to read music, develop their confidence, work as a team with other children, perform at a high level with teenagers and adults and make friends for life. If you know of a child of primary school age who might be interested, or are willing to help at the choir, please get in touch with Emma Trounson: DoM@stjamesthegreater.org.uk.

SUNDAY IIth **DECEMBER 2022 4.30-6.00 pm - Tears and Celebration**, a carol service celebrating the message and meaning of Christmas, dedicated to the late Queen Elizabeth II. Tickets free, with a retiring collection for Leicester Children's Hospital Appeal and the church. **Everyone wishing to attend is strongly advised to reserve a place** by calling the church office 0116 2542111 or booking via Eventbrite on: <u>https://tearscelebration.eventbrite.com</u>

FORTHCOMING CONCERTS

Saturday 3rd December at 7.30 pm. Ex Cathedra perform Christmas Music by Candlelight. Booking is via the Curve box office <u>https://www.curveonline.co.uk/whats-on/shows/christmas-music-by-candlelight-</u> <u>2/book/102801</u>

Saturday 10th December at 7.30 pm. Ratby Cooperative Band and Fosse Singers Concert. Tickets £10 from <u>www.ratbyband.com</u> or on the door.

Tuesday 13th December at 7.30 pm. The Piccadilly Sinfonietta and soloists perform Pachelbel *Canon in D*, Corelli *Christmas Concerto*, Chopin *Piano Concerto No. 2 in F minor* and Vivaldi *Four Seasons*. Tickets £19, £29 or £38 available on the door or from <u>https://citymusicpromotions.co.uk/buy-tickets/</u>

Thursday 15th December at 7.30 pm. Leicester Philharmonic Choir Carol Concert. Tickets £15 or £10 with a glass of wine available on the door or https://thephil.org.uk/concerts/ Saturday 17th December at 7.00 pm. City of Leicester Singers Carol Concert.

Sunday 18th December at 3-3.45 pm. BabyGigs: A Christmas Rescue. Tickets: Adults £5.50, Children over 6 months: £3.50 (Babies under 6 months are free). Tickets are available here: <u>https://www.tickettailor.com/events/babygigs</u>

STEWARDS FOR CONCERTS Many thanks to those who have offered to help with stewarding the concerts and other events at St. James in December. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

LEAFLET DELIVERY Thank you to those who delivered leaflets about Advent and Christmas to houses in the Parish. Many hands made light work of this task.

THE THEODORA SALUSBURY GREEN PLAQUE is to be unveiled on the churchyard wall beside the gate of St. James the Great Church, Birstall on Thursday 8th December at 2.30 pm. Theodora Salusbury was responsible for several of the stained-glass windows in St. James the Greater, Leicester, other churches in the county and beyond.

CHRISTIAN RESOURCES located in St. Martins House next to the Cathedral, have now teamed up with Bookshop.org an Ethical B Company and an alternative to Amazon. If you follow the link to their website via Christian Resource website at https://www.christianresourcesleicester.com/home you can purchase any of their books, religious or not, and Christian Resources will get the commission.

You can still go into the Christian Resources shop or ask them to post books out to you, but this new link widens their stock offering and provides an ethical website if you have to buy online.

Currently they have Advent and Christmas books, cards and other resources in stock. Opening hours are Tuesday-Saturday 9.30 am to 4.00 pm.

CONTACTING THE TEAM

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

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 11.35 pm	BBC I

Online at <u>www.churchofengland.org</u> and <u>www.leicestercathedral.org</u> DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE Freephone 0800 804 8044

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