

This week at the Church of St James the Greater Leicester

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26th FEBRUARY 2023 LENT I

Prayer for the Week

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so may we know your power to save;
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: Mollie Drake: Anne Sylvester 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: Nina French

Rest In Peace

Hilary Simpson (79)
Funeral on Thursday 2nd March at 1.30 pm in St. James the Greater

08.30 Welcome to St James the Greater Holy Communion

Common Worship Order One (Traditional)
President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley
Assisted by: Sheila Roberts
Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

10.30

Sung Eucharist

See order of service

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: David Kibert

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and Janet Burton

Servers: Charles Samuel, David Kibert and William Woolley

Setting: A People's Eucharist - Greening

OPENING HYMN 702
READING Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us read by David Kibert

15 The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

3Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' ²The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die." ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

PSALM 15

see music sheet

GOSPEL Matthew 4.1-11

4Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' ⁴But he answered, 'It is written,

"One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." '

5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." '

⁷Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." '8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; ⁹and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' ¹⁰Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

"Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

INTERCESSIONS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

OFFERTORY HYMN 121

Forty days and forty nights

ANTHEM

Come down, O love divine – Tadman-Robbins

POST COMMUNION HYMN 744 (i) O God of Bethel, by whose hand

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God,

you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven;

by it you nourish our faith,

increase our hope,

and strengthen our love:

teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread,

and enable us to live by every word

that proceeds from out of your mouth;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 748 (omit v 2)

O Jesus, I have promised

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

Collection baskets for donations are on the back tables in church.

The Vicar Writes

Today we hear two tales of temptation, one of succumbing, one of resistance. Temptation remains with us, although we might treat it as a joke or a major industry (advertising). Temptation is never just about giving in to external pressures or getting what we want. It is about surrendering ourselves and making ourselves less than we might be



18.30

Choral Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Preacher: The Right Reverend Saju Muthalaly, Bishop of Loughborough

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Server: Rod Eynon-Baldock

HYMN 116 CONFESSION

PRECES

PSALM 50.1-7

FIRST LESSON Genesis 3.1-19

Be thou my guardian and my guide

see service card

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see music sheet

read by Colin Stray

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⁹But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' 10He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.' He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" 12The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.' 13Then the LORD God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.' 14The LORD God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. 15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.' ¹⁶To the woman he said, 'I will greatly increase your pangs in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children, yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you.' ¹⁷And to the man he said, 'Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree about which I commanded you, "You shall not eat of it". cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life; 18 thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. 19 By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return.'

OFFICE HYMN 658

MAGNIFICAT

Help us, O Lord, to learn

Chanted - see music sheet

SECOND LESSON Luke 15.1-10

read by Angela Stray

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.'

- 3 So he told them this parable: 4 Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? 5When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost." Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.
- 8 'Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? 9When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost." 10 Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

NUNC DIMITTIS

THE CREED

Sung by the Choir – Wood in A flat

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

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RESPONSES Ferial

O God of mercy - Lole ANTHEM

The Reverend Andrew Quigley **PRAYERS**

HYMN 824 (tune 749 i) With joy we meditate the grace

The Right Reverend Saju Muthalaly **SERMON**

HYMN 813 (tune 499) Through the night of doubt and sorrow

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

Monday

14.30 House Group online. E-mail A.F. lagger@dunelm.org.ok for the link

Tuesday

19.00 Lent course online (details of the course: see notice below)

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88180511464?pwd=Q2ZNRDYrNkoxTjZhdkJhdW43VIRgUT09

Meeting ID: 881 8051 1464 Passcode: 445752

Wednesday

18.30 **Compline** in church

17.30 St James' Youth Group in the Undercroft

Thursday

10.30 Holy Communion

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley. Assisted by: Sheila Roberts

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the church

13.30 Funeral service for Hilary Simpson

Friday

14.00 World Day of Prayer Service at St. Thomas More Church

16.30 Junior Choir

18.00 Choir Practice

19.30 World Day of Prayer Service at Clarendon Park Congregational Church

Sunday Next - Lent 2

08.30 Holy Communion (BCP) President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

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

Readings: Genesis 12.1-4a and John 3.1-7

18.30 **Choral Evensong** Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

TURKEY AND SYRIA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

The Disasters Emergency Committee has launched an appeal to raise funds to help bring relief to those affected. Donations can be made at 0370 60 60 610 or online at https://www.dec.org.uk/appeal/turkey-syria-earthquake-appeal

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER is celebrated in over 120 countries. This year the service has been prepared by the women of Taiwan on the theme, "I have heard about your faith." All are welcome to attend. Service details above.

LENT This Lent beyond our normal services of the season, including Compline on Wednesdays in church, we have a Lent course and a sermon series at Evensong. The series and the course are both on the theme of "Failure" – the title of the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent book by Emma Ineson (you may wish to read the book, but it is not essential). The sermon series is kicked off this

Sunday by The Right Reverend Saju Muthalaly, Bishop of Loughborough, and the course will run each week on Zoom at 7 pm from Tuesday 28th February. To join, please use the link or codes below:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88180511464?pwd=Q2ZNRDYrNkoxTjZhdkJhdW43VIRqUT09

Meeting ID: 881 8051 1464 Passcode: 445752

COMPLINE During Lent the regular online service of Compline on Wednesdays at 9 pm will be paused and will resume after Easter. Compline during Lent will be held in the Church every Wednesday at 6.30 pm.

Radio 3 will be broadcasting the service of Night Prayer (Compline) every Monday at 9.30 pm.

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 We have 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.

Resources for Home Worship

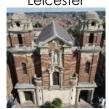
Broadcast Media

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 13.15 pm BBC I

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

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