

This week at the Church of St James the Greater Leicester

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21st JANUARY 2024 3rd SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

Prayer for the Week

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
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.
Amen.

Our Prayers are asked for:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering

Marilyn Dorum: Mollie Drake: Anne Sylvester: Nina French Anthony Green: Gillian Boorne: Josephine Chizema: Ann Blanchard and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering

Mark Sadler: Nicola Shilton: Andrew King: Rachel Bentley Mandy Stephensen: Revd David Clark: Pauline Hannaford

The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given by Lin Mawer in memory of her husband David

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

Common Worship Order I (Traditional)
President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
Assisted by: Vicky Roe
Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

A card reader donation machine is available.

I0:30 Sung Eucharist

See order of service

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley
Assisted by: Margaret Sharman and Sheila Roberts
Churchwarden: Simon Edwards

Sidesperson: David Sharman

Servers: William Simpey, William Woolley and Phil Jones

Setting: Sumsion in F

HYMN 102 Jesus come! for we invite you

GLORIA Lécot

READING Genesis 14.17-20 read by Phil Jones

After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). ¹⁸And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. ¹⁹He blessed him and said,

'Blessed be Abram by God Most High,

maker of heaven and earth;

²⁰ and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!'

And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

GRADUAL HYMN 387 Rise and hear! The Lord is speaking

GOSPEL John 2.1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' ⁴And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' ⁵His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' ⁶Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each

holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

SERMON Sheila Roberts
INTERCESSIONS Cherry Fulloway

OFFERTORY HYMN 104 Songs of thankfulness and praise (omit verse 4)

MOTET

Listen sweet dove - Ives

Please remember that intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not permitted due to the infection risk. If you do not wish to drink from the chalice, please receive the bread only (which is still full and valid communion).

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

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 638 Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

A card reader donation machine is available at the back of church. Everyone is invited for refreshments after the service. 18:30

Choral Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley Churchwarden: Simon Edwards

Servers: Tony Chizema and Lydia Doughty

Sidespeople: Vacant

HYMN 96 i CONFESSION PRECES

PSALM 33

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning see white service card

Smith

(see music sheet)

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 3.21-4.2

read by Jennifer Clegg

A voice on the bare heights is heard, the plaintive weeping of Israel's children, because they have perverted their way, they have forgotten the LORD their God:

²² Return, O faithless children, I will heal your faithlessness.

'Here we come to you; for you are the LORD our God.

²³ Truly the hills are a delusion, the orgies on the mountains.

Truly in the LORD our God is the salvation of Israel.

²⁴ 'But from our youth the shameful thing has devoured all for which our ancestors had laboured, their flocks and their herds, their sons and their daughters. ²⁵Let us lie down in our shame, and let our dishonour cover us; for we have sinned against the LORD our God, we and our ancestors, from our youth even to this day; and we have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God.'

If you return, O Israel, says the LORD, if you return to me, if you remove your abominations from my presence, and do not waver,

² and if you swear, 'As the LORD lives!' in truth, in justice, and in uprightness, then nations shall be blessed by him, and by him they shall boast.

HYMN 770MAGNIFICAT

Restore in us, O God

Dyson in D

Remain sitting then stand for the Gloria SECOND LESSON Titus 2.1-8, 11-14

read by Julia Warner

But as for you, teach what is consistent with sound doctrine. ²Tell the older men to be temperate, serious, prudent, and sound in faith, in love, and in endurance.

- ³ Likewise, tell the older women to be reverent in behaviour, not to be slanderers or slaves to drink; they are to teach what is good, ⁴so that they may encourage the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, ⁵to be self-controlled, chaste, good managers of the household, kind, being submissive to their husbands, so that the word of God may not be discredited.
- ⁶ Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled. ⁷Show yourself in all respects a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, gravity, ⁸and sound speech that cannot be censured; then any opponent will be put to shame, having nothing evil to say of us.
- For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, ¹²training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, ¹³while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ. ¹⁴He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Dyson in D

Remain sitting then stand for the Gloria

THE CREED

see white service card, p. 3

RESPONSES

Smith

ANTHEM

Teach me, O Lord - Attwood

PRAYERS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

HYMN 621 SERMON

Angela lagger

HYMN 586

All praise to Christ, our Lord and king divine

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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The Vicar Writes The wonder of the Incarnation is that the everyday becomes divine. A newborn child is God. Bread and wine are not simple foodstuffs, but the foundation of eternity. Even we, especially we, ordinary men and women become children of God.



The Week Ahead

Tuesday - Friday

08:00 Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

Monday 22nd

14.30 House Group via Zoom. To join, please use the link

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4049355092?pwd=ZU5aZ2JaTW1BK0V3aHZUTIp4bGVGUT09&omn=72417333609

Meeting ID: 404 935 5092 Passcode: 6Hyy6R

Wednesday 24th

21:00 Compline via Zoom. To join, please use the link

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81259880030?pwd=TG9|bm|zUW56VmFrMm|xdD|BTHFNQT09

Meeting ID: 812 5988 0030 Passcode: u7iqca

Thursday 25th

10:30 Holy Communion Common Worship, Order I (traditional)

President: The Reverend Jane Sharp Assisted by: Vicky Roe

11:00 Coffee Drop-In

Friday 26th

16.30 Junior Choir. 18.15 Chorister Training. 18.45 Full Choir Rehearsal.

19.00 Bible Discussion via Zoom. To join, please use the link or codes below:

 $\underline{https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83054314360?pwd} = \underline{RU4yUzhVSnpSajZHanBZYU93K3pOdz09}$

Meeting ID: 830 5431 4360 Passcode: 922881

Sunday 28th January 4th Sunday of Epiphany / Candlemas

08:30 **Holy Communion** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley 10:30 **Sung Eucharist** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Malachi 3.1-5 and Luke 2.22-40

18:30 **Candlemas Service** Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

PLEASE NOTE THAT INCENSE WILL BE USED AT THIS SERVICE

CONCERT DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Saturday 16th March 2024 at 7.30pm. Leicester Bach Choir

This concert on Saturday, 16 March 2024 - 7:30pm to 9:30pm is gorgeously varied. Local star, now international soprano Joanne Lunn, opens with Mozart's fizzing Exsultate Jubilate. The choir perform Scarlatti's plangently beautiful Stabat Mater in 10 parts, each singing the tune at a different time in marvellous polyphony. Choir and soloist perform Patrick Hawes' Song of Songs, exploring connections between romantic and erotic love and spirituality. These express emotions felt by lovers – desire, hope, confusion & joy. Hawes is a composer in residence with Classic FM. The Bach Camerata String Ensemble accompany the singing. Tickets from Eventbrite £20.

Saturday 23rd March 2024 at 7.30 pm St. John Passion – J. S. Bach Performed by Luminatus

Luminatus professional vocal ensemble and the 18th century Sinfonia will be performing Bach's St John Passion with period instruments. This version will feature the small scale forces available to Bach in Leipzig, with solos taken by members of the ensemble. Luminatus draws together singers from the local area, aiming to perform a wide range of early and contemporary repertoire. Tickets are available through www.luminatus.co.uk or https://www.tickettailor.com/events/luminatus/1052364
There is currently an 'early bird' ticket price on their website.

"In the Footsteps of St. Paul" - a 14-day pilgrimage in Greece from Philippi and Thessaloniki to Athens and Corinth, from April 8th to 21st, 2024. Details from Canon Philip Norwood on 0116 241 0255 or norwood-p@outlook.com.

THE SHELL deadline is Sunday 4th February for contributions to the next edition. Please send content to the church office by post or to Paul Jenkins at editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

JUNIOR CHOIR

Our Junior Choir meets on Fridays 4.30 pm-5.30 pm and welcomes children of primary age. The choir is free to join, there are no auditions and the boys and girls will sing in our supportive and inclusive church environment. 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.

ST. JAMES' YOUTH GROUP Meeting alternate Wednesdays from 7.00pm – 8.30pm. All young people in school years 8-13 are welcome to join us for games, food and a short discussion based on a Bible passage. See fliers on back tables at church. The next Youth Group will meet on **Wednesday 24**th **January**.

STAMPS FOR CHARITY Please bring donations of stamps to help raise money for Inter Care and put them in the box provided.

Resources for Home Worship Broadcast Media

Daily Service Monday – Friday at 9.45am Radio 4 LW Sunday Worship Sunday at 8.10 am Radio 4 Songs of Praise Sunday at 1.15 pm BBC I Choral Evensong Sunday at 3 pm and Wednesday at 4 pm Radio 3

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

DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE Freephone 0800 804 8044

- 1. Hymns we love Reflections by Steve Cramer
- 2. Reflections on 'All the days of my life' read by Alex Drew of 'Faith in Later Life'
- 3. Weekly Church of England Service
- 4. Morning and Evening Prayers
- 5. Sleep Well with Daily Hope
- 6. Details of how to write to the Daily Hope Team

CONTACTING THE TEAM

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