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This week at the **Church of  
St James the Greater**  
Leicester

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**14<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Prayer for the Week**

Almighty Father,  
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples  
with the sight of the risen Lord:  
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,  
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life  
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;  
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**  
Isobel Ross : Rex Woolhouse : Penny Judge : Mark Sadler : Nicola Shilton :  
Andrew King : Mandy Stephensen : Revd David Clark :  
Caroline Beardsmore

*The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given by the  
Brunning Family in memory of David.*

# Welcome to St James the Greater

## 08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

Common Worship Order I (Traditional)

President: The Reverend Jane Sharp

Assisted by: Feby John

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

*A card reader donation machine is available.*

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**10.30**

## Choral Mattins

*See order of service*

Officiant: Sheila Roberts

Churchwarden: Janet Burton

Sidesperson: Vacant

Servers: William Simpey and Michael Bull

**HYMN 201 i**

**CONFESSION**

RESPONSES

**VENITE**

**PSALM 4**

FIRST LESSON Deuteronomy 7.7-13

**Come, ye faithful, raise the strain**

*see service card*

Forbes-L'Estrange

*see music sheet*

*see music sheet*

*read by William Woolley*

It was not because you were more numerous than any other people that the LORD set his heart on you and chose you—for you were the fewest of all peoples. <sup>8</sup>It was because the LORD loved you and kept the oath that he swore to your ancestors, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. <sup>9</sup>Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who maintains covenant loyalty with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations, <sup>10</sup>and who repays in their own person those who reject him. He does not delay but repays in their own person those who reject him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore, observe diligently the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that I am commanding you today.

<sup>12</sup> If you heed these ordinances, by diligently observing them, the LORD your God will maintain with you the covenant loyalty that he swore to your ancestors; <sup>13</sup>he will love you, bless you, and multiply you; he will bless the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground, your grain and your wine and your oil, the increase of your cattle and the issue of your flock, in the land that he swore to your ancestors to give you.

TE DEUM

Sung by the Choir *Stanford in B flat*

SECOND LESSON Revelation 2.1-11

*read by Cherry Fulloway*

'To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands:

<sup>2</sup> 'I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance. I know that you cannot tolerate evildoers; you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them to be false. <sup>3</sup> I also know that you are enduring patiently and bearing up for the sake of my name, and that you have not grown weary. <sup>4</sup> But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first. <sup>5</sup> Remember then from what you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent. <sup>6</sup> Yet this is to your credit: you hate the works of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. <sup>7</sup> Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. To everyone who conquers, I will give permission to eat from the tree of life that is in the paradise of God.

<sup>8</sup> 'And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write: These are the words of the first and the last, who was dead and came to life:

<sup>9</sup> 'I know your affliction and your poverty, even though you are rich. I know the slander on the part of those who say that they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. <sup>10</sup> Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Beware, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison so that you may be tested, and for ten days you will have affliction. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life. <sup>11</sup> Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. Whoever conquers will not be harmed by the second death.

JUBILATE DEO

Sung by the Choir *Stanford in B flat*

***Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria.  
see service card***

**THE CREED**

Forbe-L'Estrange

RESPONSES

ANTHEM

O for a closer walk with God - *Stanford*

PRAYERS

Sheila Roberts

**HYMN 199**

**Christ is alive! Let Christians sing**

SERMON

Sheila Roberts

**HYMN 211**

**Now is eternal life**

DISMISSAL *Plainsong*

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

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – Prelude on 'Hannover' – K. Leighton

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**18:30**

**Sung Eucharist**

***See order of service***

President: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster

Assisted by: Lucy Hutchinson and Vicky Roe

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Servers: Lucy Hutchinson, William Woolley and Michael Bull

Setting: Ireland in C

**HYMN 216**

**GLORIA**

**The day of resurrection!**

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READING Acts 3.12-19 *read by Vicky Roe*

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? <sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

<sup>17</sup> 'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

**GRADUAL HYMN 214**

**Paschal Feast! Upon the cross**

GOSPEL Luke 24.36b-48

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>37</sup>They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup>He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup>Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I

have.’<sup>40</sup> And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, ‘Have you anything here to eat?’ <sup>42</sup>They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and he took it and ate in their presence.

<sup>44</sup> Then he said to them, ‘These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.’ <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, ‘Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things.

SERMON

The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster

INTERCESSIONS

The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster

**OFFERTORY HYMN 198 (omit vs. 3) At the Lamb’s high feast we sing**  
MOTET Jesu, joy of man’s desiring – J S Bach

**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 434 ii Christ bids us break the bread**

**Post Communion Prayer**

Living God,  
your Son made himself known to his disciples  
in the breaking of bread:  
open the eyes of our faith,  
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN 465 (Tune 394) The Lord is here - he finds us as we seek**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – Trio Sonata No.6, 1<sup>st</sup> Movement – J S Bach  
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**The Vicar Writes** While our collect talks somewhat glibly about the Resurrection “gladdening the heart” of the disciples, in fact the reactions are rather more uneven than that – doubt and disbelief, fear and misunderstanding – touching wounds and offering fish snacks. Whatever it is, the Resurrection is not simple, and is perhaps more a challenge than a simple assurance. Certainly we are asked, how will we respond?



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## The Week Ahead

### Tuesday - Friday

08:00 Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>

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

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75984858232?pwd=sXKl93zlo5Vj4WApP0aKUmTjrXEX0O.l>

Meeting ID: 759 8485 8232      Passcode: L6WRmc

### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>

10:30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (traditional)  
President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley    Assisted by: Vicky Roe

11:00 **Coffee Drop-In**

### Friday 19<sup>th</sup>

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

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## Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

08:30 **Holy Communion**      President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

10:30 **Sung Eucharist**      President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Acts 4.5-12 & John 10.11-18

18:30 **Choral Evensong**      President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Exodus 16.4-15 & Revelation 2.12-17

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**STATIONS OF THE RESURRECTION** Paintings by artist and priest Iain McKillop of the resurrection appearances of Jesus recorded in the Gospels are on display at Leicester Cathedral until 20<sup>th</sup> May. An illustrated book of the paintings and reflections is available for purchase. Daily meditations can be found at <https://mckillop.weebly.com/easter-to-pentecost-daily-meditations.html>

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**ONLINE COMPLINE** has started again on Zoom. The Zoom link can be found in *The Week Ahead* section of the weekly leaflet.

**REVISION OF OUR ELECTORAL ROLL** will take place at the end of April ready for the APCM. The Electoral Roll allows us to keep a representative list of those who regularly worship at and consider St James as their spiritual home. Joining the roll also allows you to vote on church matters and to stand for election to the PCC should you wish to. If you are not already on the Roll, please fill in a form, which can be found on the tables at the back of the church and pass on to April Rule by the end of the month. If you have any question, please ask April, Simon or Andrew.

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**'THE SHELL'** The next edition of 'The Shell' is being prepared. The deadline for articles or other contributions is Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May. Please send items for inclusion to the church office by post or E-mail or to Paul Jenkins at [editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk](mailto:editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk)

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### **CONCERT DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES**

Knighton Chamber Orchestra    Saturday April 27th 7.00 pm

A Programme of Beethoven

Coriolan Overture, Piano Concerto No 4, Soloist Francoise Salignat, Symphony No 5. Full Orchestra.

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# Resources for Home Worship

## Broadcast Media

Daily Service Monday – Friday at 9.45am Radio 4 Extra on DAB  
Freeview 708, Freesat 708, Sky 0126, Virgin Media 910 and online at

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006wzfs>

Sunday Worship	Sunday at 8.10 am	Radio 4
Songs of Praise	Sunday at 1.15 pm	BBC 1
Choral Evensong	Sunday and Wednesday at 3 pm	Radio 3

Online at [www.churchofengland.org](http://www.churchofengland.org) and [www.leicestercathedral.org](http://www.leicestercathedral.org)

## DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE - Freephone 0800 804 8044

New funding has been secured by the charity 'Faith in Later Life', which has allowed the Daily Hope Telephone Service to reopen. The charity is welcoming donations at: [www.faithinlaterlife.org.uk/donate](http://www.faithinlaterlife.org.uk/donate)

The options available from a telephone keypad are:

1. Hymns we love – reflections on favourite hymns
2. How to support Daily Hope
3. Spring reflections by Pippa Cramer
4. Morning and Evening Prayers
5. Weekly Church of England Service
6. Sleep Well with Daily Hope
7. Easter message from Alex Drew

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

**Vicky Roe. Pastoral Assistant**

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## CONTACTING THE TEAM

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