

EASTER FLOWERS The Flower Guild invites donations towards decorating our Church for Easter. Special 'Easter Flowers' envelopes are available to be put on the collection plate during services, either anonymously or with details filled in of a donor who is a taxpayer. The Church is able to reclaim tax under Gift Aid – increasing the value of every £1 given by 28 pence.

VOLUNTARY CHOIR This Passiontide and Easter, there are several opportunities to join the Voluntary Choir, most notably for the Easter Vigil service on Saturday 11 April. **Any singer (male or female) who would like more information should speak to Mark Batten after a service or ring 2542634 or email markbatten@hotmail.com**

OUTING TO CHESTER

Saturday 18 April

To visit **Dr Martin Evans** in his new university setting and also to see the **Reverend Ian and Barbara Arch** and their children

Travelling in a Stoneygate School mini bus driven by the Vicar

Shared cost of fuel plus a donation to Stoneygate School

Departing at 8.30 am to arrive in Chester at approximately 11.00 am

Visit to the University Campus

Packed lunch taken or bought in the city

Visit City / shops

Cathedral Tour admission £4.00 (£3.00 concessions)

Tea in Cathedral Refectory

Cathedral Choral Evensong at 4.15 pm

Returning to Leicester at approx 8.00 pm

Please sign the list at the back of the Church



THE SIXTEEN – the world famous choral ensemble with their internationally acclaimed conductor Harry Christophers are coming to **St James the Greater again on 23 April 2009**

(St George's Day) - plus a 22 piece Orchestra - to perform Handel's Coronation Anthems.

Please note the date in your diary. Tickets are £34 to £10, available from the Church Office. This will be the concert of the year.

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING is on **Sunday 26 April** at 11.45, following the 10.30 service, when we shall elect Churchwardens and members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC); receive annual accounts, and review our life together. If you wish to stand for election to the PCC or if you are, or wish to be, a Sidesman, you must be on the Electoral Roll. Ideally, everyone associated with St James the Greater should be on the Roll which is at the back of the Church, should you wish to check your entry.

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This Week at the Church of

St James the Greater

Leicester

www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk

office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

5 APRIL 2009 – PALM SUNDAY

If you wear a hearing-aid, please switch to T to benefit from the inductive loop
Large-print hymn books are available from sidesmen

The high altar may be approached via the side steps, which have handrails
Please inform a Churchwarden if you wish to receive Communion in your seat

08.30

Holy Communion

Book of Common Prayer pages 237 – 245, 251 – 259

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby

Churchwarden: David Brunning

10.10

Palm Sunday Procession

from the Church Hall

10.30

Passion Gospel and Eucharist

Common Worship, Order 1

see *separate order of service*

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby

Assisted by: Philip Jones and Julia Warner

Churchwardens: Tricia Dean and Owen Jones

Sidesmen: George Daley, Pat Ireson, Graham or Claire Prowse and David Pugh

Servers: John, Angela and Emma-Jane Finn

12.00

Wedding

of Yoshiko Masuda and Jonathan Taylor

18.30

Music and Readings for Holy Week

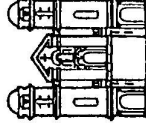
see *separate order of service*

led by the Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby

Churchwardens: Marilyn Dorum and David Brunning

Sidesmen: Colin Stray and Maggie Weller

Servers: William Woolley, Mandy Stephensen and Teri White



The Rest of Holy Week

Monday of Holy Week

- 18.00 Boys' Choir practice
19.30 **Compline** sung by the Boys' Choir and Address by the Vicar

Tuesday of Holy Week

- 07.15 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order I
Celebrant: the Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby
14.00 **Funeral** of Trevor Quibell
19.45 Standing Committee meets at the Vicarage

Wednesday of Holy Week

- 14.15 **Holy Communion** with Good Companions in the Large Hall

Maundy Thursday

- 10.15 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order I (traditional)
Celebrant: the Reverend Canon Henry Evans
10.45 Coffee Drop-in in the Ashman Music Room
19.30 **Liturgy of the Last Supper**
Celebrant: the Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby
followed by a **Vigil** until 22.00

Good Friday

- 10.00 Christ in the Centre Drama
starting from St Peter's Square, Highcross Centre
13.00 Frugal lunch in the Church Hall
14.00 **Hour at the Foot of the Cross** led by the Vicar
19.30 **Tenebrae**

Easter Eve

- 20.30 Music and Readings for Good Friday evening led by the Vicar
Easter Vigil led by the Vicar and sung by the Voluntary Choir

Sunday Next – Easter Day

All services conducted by the Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar

- 07.00 **Holy Communion (BCP)**
08.30 **Sung Eucharist**
Readings: Acts 10 : 34 – 43 and John 20 : 1 - 18
10.45 **All Age Worship**
12.00 **Holy Communion**
18.30 **Festal Evensong** Preacher: Rev'd Canon Michael Wilson,
Canon Pastor of Leicester Cathedral

Keeping Holy Week 2009

FROM TODAY, please display a poster in your front window to inform neighbours and passers-by that THIS IS HOLY WEEK – with the caption HE IS RISEN folded out of sight until Easter Day.

Compline is sung on Monday at 19.30. On **Maundy Thursday**, there is the usual morning service of **Holy Communion** and the **Liturgy of the Last Supper** is commemorated in the evening at 19.30. The congregation is encouraged to remain for part or all of the **Vigil** that follows until 22.00 – 'Could ye not watch with me one brief hour?'

On **Good Friday**, everyone is encouraged to be present in the City for '**Christ in the Centre**', starting from **St Peter's Square, Highcross Centre at 10.00 am**. For those who wish to come from that to the **Hour before the Cross** at St James the Greater, a frugal lunch of soup, cheese and bread is to be provided from 13.00 – **please sign the list at the back of the Church before 11.00 am on Maundy Thursday**.

The ancient night service of **Tenebrae** (darkness) at 19.30 is especially recommended to those who have never experienced it.

The **Easter Eve Vigil** is a wonderful anticipation of the dawning of Easter Day, with the blessing of the Pascal Candle from the New Fire in a darkened church – hence the late start at 20.30 – and listening by candlelight to the story of God's saving work from the beginning until the resurrection of Christ. The service lasts an hour and deserves strong support as the first service of Easter.

Easter Day begins with a said service of **Holy Communion** according to the Book of Common Prayer at 07.00, followed by a **Sung Eucharist at 08.30**, with breakfast for the choir members, who stay on to sing for **All Age Worship at 10.45**. A shortened said service of **Holy Communion** follows at noon. The day culminates in a glorious **Festal Evensong at 18.30**.

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

To be Confirmed on **Easter Day at Leicester Cathedral at 6.00 am!**

Catherine Louise Ball Christopher William Ekundayo Beoku-Betts

All prevented from worshipping with us through frailty

Unwell

Adrian Dean (Paul's brother) : Mollie Drake (awaiting surgery on 17th)

Doris Eberli : Deborah Hogarth-Jones : Thomas Price : Edna Smith

Recovering

Trudy Harris : Ian McKeivley

Rest in Peace

Graham Dennis Price : Elisabeth Kemp

Trevor Frederick Quibell (74) Elaine Nisbet's father – funeral on Tuesday

There are no flowers in Church during Lent, by tradition.