

CONGRATULATIONS to everyone in running or supporting last Saturday's very successful Bazaar. A lot of individual effort prepared a marvelous range of goods for sale. A tremendous team spirit was in the setting up and clearing away. And the proceeds made it all worthwhile – £1,200 is to be shared between *Christ in the Centre* (the Good Friday Passion drama in the city centre) and church funds.

A HOST of people in a whole variety of ways ensure that practical jobs are done around the church.

Especially at this time we are grateful to:

Andy Packham assisted by **Graham Jagger**, **Chris Williams** and **David Roberts** for restoring our lighting system to full working order.

Martin Harger for clearing countless sackfuls of leaves from the forecourts of the church and vicarage throughout the autumn.

Rose Green for many hours of cleaning the halls and the church over recent weeks.

Vicky Roe for a great deal of premises supervision.

USPG (United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel) A display of the missionary society's prayer diaries and their publication *Transmission* is at the back of the church.

BIBLE READING NOTES for January 2012 are now available. Nearly 20 members of the congregation have these regularly and find them helpful – new subscribers would be welcome. 3 issues a year @ £3.90 each (at the moment!) Please contact Gill Russell for more information.

MESSIAH What better way to commence the Festive Season than to be at a performance of **Handel's Messiah** at St James the Greater – 7.30 pm, Saturday 3rd December! This will be performed by the St James' Cantata Choir, the London based Saraband Consort of Period Instruments, four top soloists, and conducted by Matthew Haynes. The performance will be in a manner reminiscent of the Baroque era – exciting, dynamic, and yet intimate. During the interval you will be offered a glass of wine or soft drink together with a mince pie. To reserve your tickets pick up a form from the back of the church or contact the Church Office - 0116 254 4113. Tickets are £18 (Front Nave), £14 (Back Nave), or £12 (Aisles).

BABYGEAR is in urgent need of children's clothes to fit babies and youngsters up to the age of five. Rosemary Freer is actively involved with this local charity, which provides refurbished clothes, equipment and toys to underprivileged families in the city. **Rosemary (Tel: 273 4349)** will give you details of how to pass on whatever you have to donate – we all need to dispose of the 'old' to make way for the new!

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This Week at the Church of St James the Greater Leicester

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27 November 2011 – ADVENT 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

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.

08.30

Holy Communion

Common Worship, Order 1 (Traditional)
Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar
Churchwarden: Tricia Dean

10.30

Children's Sunday Club

Starting off together in Church

10.30

Sung Eucharist

Common Worship, Order 1
see service sheet and music card
Celebrant: The Reverend Jane Sharp
Assisted by: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby and Julia Warner
Churchwardens: Owen Jones and Tricia Dean
Sidesmen: Janet Burton, Cherry Fulloway and John Sharp
Servers: John Finn, Angela Finn and Emma-Jane Finn
Setting: Darke in E (Gloria Darke in F)

HYMN 24 Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding
 READING Isaiah 64. 1-9 read by John Sharp
ADVENT REFRAIN
 GOSPEL Mark 13. 24-end
 SERMON The Reverend Jane Sharp
 INTERCESSIONS The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby
HYMN 142 Hail to the Lord's Anointed (omit vs 4&5)
 ANTHEM Lift up your heads Mathias
COMMUNION HYMN 25 The advent our King
HYMN 31 Come, thou long-expected Jesus
 VOLUNTARY

Everyone is invited to the Hall for refreshments after the service

18.30 Advent Procession and Carols

see service card and music sheet

Officiant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar

Churchwardens: David Brunning and Graham Jagger

Sidesmen: Rosemary Freer, Jan & Chris Geere, Ken Lumb and Barbara Penrose

Servers: William Woolley, Cynthia McLauchlan, April Burton, Mandy Stephensen,

Hazel Carlin, Michael Bull, David Kibert, Charles Samuel and Emma-Jane Finn

A farewell party for Paul & Tricia Dean follows in the church Hall

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Confirmed yesterday at Leicester Cathedral

Sandra Cluley Ben Turner Keith Vaughan

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering this week

Marjorie Booton : Pat Buckingham : Arthur Higginson : Joyce Smith

Unwell

Esther Muthuveloe : Lizzie Chikuni : Cathleen Wood : Christopher Browne

Angela Hefford : Millie Talbot : Jane Moore : Tom Murphy : Barry Butler

Anne Hayter (Sarah Clark's mother) pelvis fracture : Jim Cotter

Kate Soanes (Angela Hefford's daughter-in-law) chemotherapy

Theo Saunders (former Director of Music) chemotherapy

Recovering

Carmel Horton : Kath Higginson

Rest in Peace

Gordon Henry Dove (76) – funeral 29 November 2.15 at Gilroes

The Rest of the Week

Daily

08.30 **Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel**

Monday 28th Vicar's day off

18.00 Boys' Choir practice

Tuesday 29th

07.15 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar

14.15 **Funeral of Gordon Dove at Gilroes Crematorium**

Wednesday 30th

14.15 Good Companions in the Large Hall

18.15 SJ2 (Junior Youth Club) meets in the Undercroft

Thursday 1st Charles de Foucauld, Hermit

10.15 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (traditional)

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar

10.45 Coffee Drop-in in the Ashman Music Room

14.30 At Home with Hilary Simpson at 24 Holmfield Road

17.00 41st Leicester Scouts (boys and girls) meet in the Undercroft

18.00 Girls' Choir practice

Friday 2nd

19.00 Choir Practice – Messiah only

Saturday 3rd St Francis Xavier, Apostle of the Indies

10.30 Christmas Coffee Morning for The Friends of Leicester Cathedral

- 12.30 at the home of Hilary & Geoffrey Simpson at 24 Holmfield Road

7.30 **Handel's Messiah** St James Cantata Choir

Remaining tickets will be available on the door from 7pm

Sunday Next – 2nd Sunday in Advent

08.30 **Holy Communion** Celebrant: Very Revd. Derek Hole

10.30 Sunday Club meets in the Large Hall, starting off in Church

10.30 **Sung Eucharist** Celebrant: Canon Glynn Richerby

Preacher: Anthony Green

Readings: Isaiah 40. 1-11 and Mark 1. 1-8

18.30 **Evensong** Officiant: Canon Glynn Richerby

Preacher: Canon Glynn Richerby

DROP BY is a Saturday drop-in for homeless people jointly sponsored by Action Homeless, the Islamic Society of Britain and the Church of St James the Greater.

The opportunity to socialise and have a hot lunch is to be provided by volunteers, starting on 7 January from 11.00 until 2pm. Costs are to be met by the Near Neighbours Fund. **An introduction session for volunteers is to be held on**

Saturday, 17 December from 11.00 until 12.30pm.