HYMN 27 On Jordan's bank

READING Isaiah 61. 1-4 8-end read by John Sharp

ADVENT REFRAIN

GOSPEL John 1. 6-8 19-28

SERMON The Vicar INTERCESSIONS Vicky Roe

OFFERTORY HYMN 316 Lo, from the desert homes (omit v.4)
ANTHEM Ave Verum Mozart

COMMUNION HYMN 30 Hark the glad sound!

HYMN 28 Lo, he comes with clouds decending

VOLUNTARY

Everyone is invited to the Hall for refreshments after the service

18.30 Choral Evensong

sung by the St James' Singers with guest organist John Bellamy see service card and music sheet

Officiant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar Churchwardens: Owen Jones and Ken Lumb

Sidesmen: Rosemary Freer, John Sharp and Frederick Sylvester Servers: William Woolley, Duduzile Chizema and April Burton

Come, thou long-expected lesus HYMN 31 **CONFESSION** see buff service card **RESPONSES** sung by the Choir Ebdon PSALM 68. I-13, 18-19 see green music sheet read by Rosemary Freer FIRST LESSON Malachi 3, I- 4: 4. Dyson in C Minor **MAGNIFICAT** SECOND LESSON I Corinithians 4. I-5 read by Vicky Roe **NUNC DIMITTIS** see green music sheet see buff service card, p 3 THE CREED Gabriel the angel came **ANTHEM** arr. Barnard **PRAYERS** Gillean Russell How beauteous are their feet HYMN 301 **SERMON** The Vicar **HYMN 132** Son of God, eternal Saviour **BLESSING** DISMISSAL *Plainsong* The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit. Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God! **VOLUNTARY** Wachet auf I. S. Bach

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering this week

Rob Burton: Monica Corbin: Charles Wicksteed

Unwell

Jim Cotter: Tom Murphy: Millie Talbot: Jane Moore Lizzie Chikuni: Anne Hayter (Sarah Clark's mother) pelvis fracture Kate Soanes (Angela Hefford's daughter-in-law) chemotherapy Theo Saunders (former Director of Music) stem cell therapy

Recovering

Kath Higginson: Carmel Horton: Tony Rudge: Angela Hefford

Rest in Peace

Sydney Wheeler (86) Service of Thanksgiving on Monday, 19 December

The Rest of the Week

| Tues - Saturday | <i>(</i> | |
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| 08.30 | Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel | |
| Monday 12th | | Vicar's day off |
| 18.00 | Boys' Choir practice | • |
| Tuesday 13th | 3 | St Lucy of Syracuse |
| 07.15 | Holy Communion Common Worsh | nip, Order I |
| | Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar | |
| Wednesday 14th | • | St John of the Cross |
| 14.15 | Good Companions in the Large Hall | • |
| Thursday 15th | | |
| 10.15 | Holy Communion Common Worsh | nip, Order I (traditional) |
| | Celebrant: The Reverend Jane Sharp | . , , |
| 10.45 | Coffee Drop-in in the Ashman Music Room | |
| 17.00 | 41st Leicester Scouts (boys and girls) meet in the Undercroft | |
| 18.00 | Girls' Choir practice | |
| Friday 16th | · | |
| 19.00 | Choir Practice | |
| Saturday 17th | | |
| 19.30 | City of Leicester Singers - Christmas Cor | ncert |
| Sunday Next – 4 th Sunday in Advent | | |
| 08.30 | Holy Communion Celebrant: Cano | on Glynn Richerby |
| 10.30 | Sunday Club meets in the Large Hall, star | ting off in Church |
| 10.30 | Sung Eucharist Celebrant: Canon Glyni | n Richerby |
| | Preacher: Ang | • |
| | Readings: Romans 16. 25-end and Luke | |
| 18.30 | Nine Lessons and Carols Officiant: Cano | |

CONGRATULATIONS to the newly formed *St James Cantata Choir* on their magnificent debut performance of Handel's Messiah. Together with the *Saraband Consort* of period instruments and a superb line-up of soloists it all came together as a memorable occasion. Well done Matt Haynes in making it happen and for inspired conducting. Thanks to John Sharp for publicity and the team he gathered to see to all the practical arrangements. Julia Warner deserves special mention for making 410 mince pies to be enjoyed by all during the interval!

DROP BY, a Saturday drop-in for homeless people, is a joint project between the Islamic Society of Britain and the Church of St James the Greater and is supported by Action Homeless. 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 in the Undercroft on Saturday, 17 December from 11.00 until 12.30pm. For more information contact the church office.

CHRISTINGLES are to be assembled in the Vicarage ready for the Christmas Eve service on Wednesday, 22 December 6.00 until 7.30 – providing there are enough hands to make light work of making 150 Christingles!

Please put your name to the list at the back of the church if you wish to join a merry band (mulled wine and mince pies).

WINTER WALK 2011 Is anyone interested in coming on a Winter Walk on the afternoon of Friday 30 December? We will share transport from outside the church hall to Gaulby, and then walk across the fields to Houghton on the Hill, a round trip of about 4 miles, ending with tea and cake around a log fire. More details and sheet to sign up are on the table at the back of the church.

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 (273 4349) will give you details of how to pass on whatever you have to donate.

AN IDEAL CHRISTMAS PRESENT for any music loving friends or relations would be tickets for The Sixteen with Harry Christophers Concert on Thursday, April 19th 2012 here at St James the Greater.

The concert is entitled *The Earth Resounds* and consists of music by Brumel, Lassus, and Josquin, the three most celebrated composers of the Franco-Flemish school of the Renaissance. The evening promises to be another magnificent concert at St James – the fifth year running that St James the Greater has hosted The Sixteen on their Choral Pilgrimage. Ticket application forms are at the back of the Church or online at www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk

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11 December 2011 – 3rd SUNDAY IN ADVENT

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

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you:
grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

08.30 Holy Communion

Common Worship, Order I (Traditional)
Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar
Churchwarden: Graham Jagger

10.30 Children's Sunday Club

Starting off together in Church

10.30 Sung Eucharist

Common Worship, Order I see service sheet and music card

Celebrant: The Reverend Jane Sharp
Assisted by: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar and Lucy Hutchinson

Churchwardens: David Brunning and Michael Molloy
Sidesmen: Lindy Forbes, Darienne Griffith and David Kibert
Servers: Peter Ireson, Hazel Carlin and Cynthia McLauchlan
Setting: Tallis Dorian Service