

HYMN 470 Hills of the North, rejoice
 READING Malachi 3. 1-4 *read by Sarah Kirby*
ADVENT REFRAIN
 GOSPEL Luke 3. 1-6
 SERMON Anthony Green *Reader*
 INTERCESSIONS Vicky Roe *Pastoral Assistant*
HYMN 27 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
 ANTHEM How Beautiful Upon the Mountains *Stainer*
 COMMUNION HYMN 177 Thy Kingdom come, O God
HYMN 29 The Lord will come and not be slow
 VOLUNTARY

Everyone is invited to the Hall for refreshments after the service

18.30

Choral Evensong

see service card and music sheet

Officiant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar

Churchwardens: Owen Jones and Julia Walker

Sidesmen: Rosemary Freer, John Sharp and Frederick Sylvester

Servers: Rod Eynon-Baldock, Sara King and Hilary Rees

HYMN 24 Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding
CONFESSION *see buff service card*
RESPONSES
PSALM 75 *see green music sheet*
 FIRST LESSON Isaiah 40. 1-11 *read by Vicky Roe*
 MAGNIFICAT sung by the Choir *Gibbons*
 SECOND LESSON Luke 1. 1-25 *read by Mike Bull*
NUNC DIMITTIS *see green music sheet*
THE CREED *see buff service card, p 3*
RESPONSES
 ANTHEM This is the record of John *Gibbons*
 PRAYERS The Vicar
HYMN 25 The advent of our King
 SERMON John Raven *Reader*
HYMN 178 Thy Kingdom come! on bended knee
 BLESSING
 DISMISSAL *Plainsong* The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**
 Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**
 VOLUNTARY

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering this week

Charles Wickstead : Jean Mason : Vivian Edwards : Mavis Jones

Unwell

Janvier Santos & Isobel Suarez : Jane Moore : Anne Hayter : Millie Talbot

David Goddard (LRI ward 24) : Susan Langton

Sarah Scarborough (Mandy Stephensen's sister) and her premature daughter Lita

Recovering

Kay Mumford : Wyn Evans : Carmel Horton : Claire Prowse

Rest in peace

Monica Sheila Corbin (77) – Funeral Service on Wednesday

The Rest of the Week

Tues - Friday

08.30

Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

Monday

19.30

Rainbows Carol Concert

Tuesday

07.15

Holy Communion Common Worship, Order 1
 Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar

Wednesday

14.15

Good Companions – Christmas Lunch

12.30

Funeral of Monica Corbin

18.15

SJ2 (Junior Youth Club) meets in the Undercroft

Thursday

10.15

Holy Communion Celebrant: Canon Henry Evans

10.45

Coffee Drop-in in the Hall (access from the Church via the lift)

17.00

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

19.30

St James' Singers practice

Friday

18.00

Choir Practice

Saturday

11.00

Stop-by in the Undercroft (see over for more information)

19.30

Leicester Bach Choir Christmas Concert

CHURCH DIARIES for 2013 are available from the back of the Church in exchange for a small donation placed in the red wall safe. The diary lists who's who at St James's and provides details of saints' days and all the Christian festivals.

TICKETS FOR THE SIXTEEN with Harry Christophers on 18 April 2013 are now on sale, £10-£30 through the Church Office – 254 2111.
An ideal Christmas present. Gift packaging available!

Sunday Next – Advent 3

08.30	Holy Communion	Celebrant: Reverend David Clark
10.30	Sunday Club meets in the Large Hall, starting off in Church	
10.30	Sung Eucharist	Celebrant: Canon Glynn Richerby
	Preacher: Angela Jagger	Readings: Philippians 4.4-7 & Luke 3.7-18
15.30	Radio Leicester Carol Service	(ticket only)
18.30	Evensong	Preacher: Canon Glynn Richerby

DEEP APPRECIATION of last Sunday's Advent procession was expressed by very many among the large congregation: "Exquisite singing." "Superb soloists whose heart was in what they sang." "Wonderful lighting effects." "Servers ensured it flowed seamlessly." "Terrific new Responsory." "Wonderful organ playing." "Readings powerfully delivered." A number said "I can't find words to say how much that meant." All to the glory of God.

CHRISTINGLES are to be assembled in the Vicarage ready for the Christmas Eve service on **Friday, 21 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).



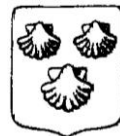
CHRISTMAS FOLIAGE The Flower Guild would be most grateful for the following foliage: *CONIFER, SKIMMIA, VARIEGATED LAUREL and VARIEGATED HOLLY*. **Please contact Julia Walker on 271 9347 to arrange collection.**

WINTER WALK Everyone is welcome to come on the Winter Walk on Saturday 29 December. This will be a circular walk of 4 - 5 miles across fields and along country lanes, ending up with a hot drink in front of an open fire. **More details and the sheet to sign up are on the table at the back of church.**

CHURCH CHAIRS The Parochial Church Council meeting on Tuesday 13 November decided to further consult the congregation and concert users of the Church about a choice of chairs and the relative costs involved. Please look at the choice of seating and fill in a questionnaire. **An Extraordinary Parochial Meeting is on Sunday, 13 January at 11.45 am**, after the morning service.

SATURDAY STOP-BY – a drop-in for homeless people – is a joint project between the Islamic Society of Britain and the Church of St James the Greater. Gifts of a hat, gloves and a pair of warm socks – to be given out as presents at Christmas – are now being collected. **Thank you for your help with this.** **Donations towards the cost of providing hot food, heat and light would be appreciated, ideally placed in a Gift Aid envelope clearly marked 'Stop By' and put onto the collection plate.**

12/50



This Week at the Church of St James the Greater Leicester



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9TH DECEMBER 2012 – 2ND 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, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us,
and with great might succour us;
that whereas, through our sins and wickedness
we are grievously hindered
in running the race that is set before us,
your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honour and glory, now and for ever.

08.30

Holy Communion

Common Worship, Order 1 (Traditional)
Celebrant: The Very Reverend Dr Derek Hole
Churchwarden: Graham Jagger

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 Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar
Assisted by: Vicky Roe and Lucy Hutchinson
Churchwardens: Pam Spokes and Sarah Kirby
Sidesmen: Lindy Forbes, Darienne Griffith and Jane Welsh
Servers: Ian Stapleton, Tanaka Chizema and Takudzwa Chizema
Setting: Viadana