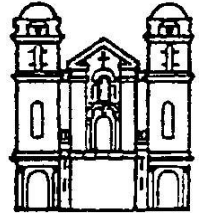


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This week at the Church of
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Leicester

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I DECEMBER 2013 - 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

Book of Common Prayer
Celebrant: The Reverend David Clark
Churchwarden: Keith Vaughan

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 Canon Glynn Richerby
Assisted by: Lucy Hutchinson and Owen Jones
Churchwardens: Michael Bull and Caroline Beardsmore
Sidesmen: Pat Ireson, David Pugh and Graham & Claire Prowse
Servers: Peter Ireson, Duduzile Chizema and John Finn
Setting: Communion Service in F - Sumsion

HYMN 24 **Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding**
 READING Romans 13. 11-14 *read by William Woolley*
ADVENT REFRAIN *see order of service*
 GOSPEL Matthew 24. 36-44
 SERMON The Vicar
 INTERCESSIONS The Vicar
HYMN 142 (omit vs. 4&5) **Hail to the Lord's Anointed**
 ANTHEM Lift up your heads *Mathias*
COMMUNION HYMN 25 **The Advent of our King**
HYMN 31 **Come, thou long-expected Jesus**
 VOLUNTARY

TOYS ON THE TABLE APPEAL

An article about this charity appears in the current issue of the *Quarterly*. Today, we welcome two representatives of the Appeal, Terry and Margaret Watts, to the mid morning service to receive our gifts. If you have missed this opportunity, you may bring gifts next Sunday and they will be passed on to the Appeal.

Everyone is invited to the Hall for refreshments after the service

18.30

Advent Procession

from darkness to light

see order of service

Officiant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby

Churchwardens: Sarah Kirby and Pam Spokes

Sidesmen: Barbara Penrose, Angela & Colin Stray, John Sharp,
Cherry Fulloway, Annabel Cowley and Sally Coles

Servers: William Woolley, April Burton, Cynthia McLauchlan, Angela Finn,
Sara King, Emma-Jane Finn, Della Evans, Michael Bull and Peter Ireson

WE WISH the Jewish community **Happy Hanukkah** – the annual celebration of the rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem after it was recaptured from the Syrian Greeks by the Maccabee brothers in 165 BCE. This festival is brought to our attention by the huge *menorah* – nine branched candle stand – erected on the corner of Victoria Park. One ‘candle’ is lit for each evening of the festival. The ninth candle is the ‘shamash’ (the servant candle) from which the other candles are lit. These lights are intended to be symbols of hope for rebuilding wherever in the world there has been destruction.



Our Prayers are asked for:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering this week

Marjorie Booton : Arthur Higginson : Joyce Smith : Margaret Judd
Unwell

Theo Saunders : Pearl Deegan : Eddie Rutter : Litsa Georgiou
Elizabeth (Cathleen Wood's sister) : John Burrows (awaiting a place at LOROS)
Jane Moore : Rachel Stevens : Cyril Flood (Nicky Barton's brother in law)
Anne Hayter : David Hall Kay Mumford's son-in-law) : Susan Langton
Phylis Rose (Lucy Hutchinson's mother in Jamaica)

Rest in Peace

Mabel Kirby (84) Sarah's mother – funeral at St James on 3 December at 12.00
Wyn Evans (100) – funeral at St James on Friday, 13 December at 10.00

The Rest of the Week

Wed – Friday

08.30 **Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel**

Tuesday

08.15 **Holy Communion** Celebrant: Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar

12.00 **Funeral** of Mabel Kirby

Wednesday

14.15 Good Companions in the Large Hall

18.15 SJ2 (Junior Youth Club) meets in the Undercroft

Thursday

10.15 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (traditional)
Celebrant: The Very Reverend Dr Derek Hole

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

14.30 At Home with Hilary Simpson at 24 Holmfield Road

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

19.30 St James Singers Choir Practice

Friday

18.00 Choir Practice

Saturday

11.00 Stop-by in the Undercroft

Sunday Next – Advent 2

08.30 **Holy Communion** Celebrant: Canon Glynn Richerby

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

10.30 **Sung Eucharist** Celebrant: Reverend Jane Sharp

Preacher: Canon Glynn Richerby

Readings: Isaiah 11. 1-10 and Matthew 3. 1-12

18.30 **Evensong** Officiant: Canon Glynn Richerby

Preacher: Anthony Green

THANK YOU to everybody who supported the Philippines Appeal. So far we have raised nearly £600 with more money promised.

DANNY FITZGERALD completed his 10km obstacle run for the Hope Foundation. **He will be at next Sunday morning's service** to thank everybody in person. Sponsorship money can be handed to him then or to the church office.

WILLIAM WOOLLEY in 1963 was one of 6 young men admitted as servers. We give thanks with him for 50 years of service to the church.

CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING The Friends of Leicester Cathedral invite you to the home of Hilary & Geoffrey Simpson – 24 Holmfield Road LE2 1SA – on **Saturday, 7 December from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm**. Entry £2 to include coffee/tea & mince pie. Bring & Buy, Cakes, Preserves, Gifts, Raffle.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH The Thursday morning coffee drop-in invite you to join them for Christmas lunch at the Old Horse on the **19 December**. Everybody welcome. **To reserve your place please call the church office on 254 2111.**

CAROLINE BEARDSMORE'S HONEY continues to be available for sale at £4.00 for a jar weighing 454g (1lb). Until the end of the year, £2 from each jar sold will be given to support the choir trip next summer.

Please see Caroline or telephone her on 259 6341.



SOUTHWELL MINSTER the choir are singing Evensong at Southwell Minster on **December 21**. **Put the date in your diary and join us if you can.**

2014 INTERFAITH FESTIVAL CALENDAR Produced by *Christians Aware*, this is a beautiful and useful guide as to when other major faith festivals occur. **£7.50. A copy is available for inspection on the table at the back of the church. Contact David Clark dhclark2@btinternet.com**

CARMEL HORTON thanks everybody for the good wishes following her recent move to Oakham. Her new telephone number is 01572 720166

BIBLE READING FELLOWSHIP Anne Laurence has taken over the distribution of the Bible Reading Fellowship notes from Gill Russell, and the **2014 Jan/April notes are available** from this Sunday, price £4 each (large print £4.99). **If you would like to pay by cheque please make it payable to Anne.**

QUARTERLY **The latest edition is available from the back of the church.**