

This week at the Church of St lames the Greater

Leicester

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8 DECEMBER 2013 – 2nd SUNDAY OF 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 I (Traditional) Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby Churchwarden: Julia Walker

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: Duduzile Chizema and Peter Ireson Churchwardens: Michael Bull and Michael Molloy Sidesmen: Lindy Forbes, Jane Welsh and Darienne Griffith Servers: Ian Stapleton, Tanaka Chizema and Takudzwa Chizema Setting: Missa L'hora Passa - Viadana

HYMN 27 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

READING Isaiah II. I-10 read by Sarah Kirby

ADVENT REFRAIN

GOSPEL Matthew 3. 1-12

SERMON The Vicar

BAPTISM of Isabelle Rose Morris & Kathryn Rowan Jackson

- see separate leaflet

HYMN 470 Hills of the North, rejoice

ANTHEM How beautiful upon the mountains Stainer

COMMUNION HYMN 177 Thy Kingdom come, O God

HYMN 28 Lo, he comes with clouds descending

Please note verse 2 third line We (not Those) who set at nought and sold him

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: Sarah Kirby and Keith Vaughan Sidesmen: Rosemary Freer and John Sharp

Servers: David Nisbet, Hilary Rees and Valerie Bailey

HYMN 24 Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding

CONFESSION see buff service card

RESPONSES

PSALM 37 vs I-II see green music sheet

FIRST LESSON | I Kings 18. 17-39 | read by Colin Stray

MAGNIFICAT see green music sheet

SECOND LESSON John 1. 19-28 read by Angela Stray

NUNC DIMITTIS sung by the choir Sumsion in A

THE CREED see buff service card, p 3

RESPONSES

ANTHEM Tomorrow shall be my dancing day Gardiner

PRAYERS The Vicar

HYMN 25 The advent of our King

SERMON Anthony Green

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

Vivian Edwards: Mavis Jones: George Daley: Jean Wigglesworth

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

Wyn Evans (100) – funeral at St James on Friday, 13 December at 10.00 William Sowman (92) Memorial Service at St James on Monday 16 December

The Rest of the Week

Monday

19.00 Carol Service for Rainbows Hospice

Tuesday

08.15 Holy Communion Celebrant: Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar

Wednesday

19.00 Carol Service for Leicester High School

Thursday

- 10.15 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order I (traditional) Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Glynn Richerby, Vicar
- 10.45 Coffee Drop-in in the Hall (access from the Church via the lift)
- 14.30 Carol Service for Stoneygate School
- 19.30 Music and Amicable Society Concert

Friday

- 10.00 Funeral of Wyn Evans
- 18.00 Choir Practice

Saturday

- 11.00 Stop-by in the Undercroft
- 19.30 Leicestershire Chorale Christmas Concert

Sunday Next – Advent 3

- 08.30 Holy Communion Celebrant: Very Rev'd Dr Derek Hole
- 10.30 Sunday Club meets in the Large Hall, starting off in Church
- 10.30 **Sung Eucharist** Celebrant & Preacher: Canon Glynn Richerby Readings: James 5. 7-10 and Matthew 11. 2-11
- 15.30 Radio Leicester Carol Service (ticket only, from Radio Leicester)
- 18.30 **Evensong** Preacher: Canon Glynn Richerby

AFTER NELSON MANDELA - The Vicar reflects ...

On release from prison after 27 years, reconciliation was the theme of Nelson Mandela's campaign for peace between white and black in his land – not bitter recrimination or vengeance. Former enemies F W de Klerk and Chief Buthelezi were among the first to be reconciled.

The transition from Apartheid to open democracy was a remarkable achievement. In many ways, South Africa has become a sign of hope in our troubled world.



There are continuing problems – mostly as a result of vulgar wealth cheek-by-jowl with abject poverty, together with the scourge of HIV/AIDS. Nevertheless for everyone who cares about democracy and freedom and wants these values to be shared wider, South Africa has discovered something the world desperately needs.

VIVALDI FOUR SEASONS on Thursday 12 December the Music and Amicable Society are performing Vivaldi's famous concerto along with other popular pieces here at St James. Tickets are £10-20. For tickets please call the church office on 254 2111.

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 call the church office on 254 2111 by no later than 12 December with your menu choices, from £10.95.

VISTA & CITY OF LEICESTER SINGERS have joined forces to present a concert of Christmas favourites on 21 December. Tickets can be purchased from the church office, online or on the door.

WINTER WALK Please join us for a walk of 4-5 miles, followed by tea and cake in front of an open fire on **Saturday 28 December**. More details are at the back of the church. **Please sign up so we know how many to expect.**

THE SIXTEEN are returning to St James on 29 May 2014. Tickets would make a wonderful gift for a choral music lover! Tickets purchased as a gift are presented in a complimentary St James card. Please contact the church office on 254 2111 and request a gift envelope at the time of booking.

CAROLINE BEARDSMORE'S HONEY continues to be available for sale at £4.00 for a jar weighing 454g (IIb). Until the end of the year, £2 from each jar sold will be given to support the choir trip. **Please see Caroline or call 259 6341.**

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.