

This week at the Church of St James the Greater

Leicester

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4 JULY 2021 FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Prayer for the Week

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all thy faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve thee in holiness and truth, to the glory of thy name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Our Prayers are asked for: All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering

Conceicáo Fernandes: Gwen Leather: Marilyn Dorum: Margaret Norman and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering

Alpha Hopkins: Barbara Penrose: Mark Sadler: Ann Blanchard:

Anthony Green: Owen Shepherd:

Josephine Chizema: The Very Reverend Derek Hole

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Welcome to St James the Greater

Sunday 4th July 2021

10:30am

A Service of Sung Eucharist For The Fifth Sunday After Trinity

Celebrant and Preacher:

Reverend Andrew Quigley

Churchwardens:

Simon Edwards and April Rule

If you're joining us in church for this morning's service, you'll find your copy of the service book laid out on the seats in church. Please place your book in the boxes that you'll find as you leave church at the end the service.

You'll also be able to join us online at our YouTube channel. To do us, all you need to do is click **here** and we'll start our livestream shortly before the service starts.

The Readings for the Fifth Sunday After Trinity Ezekiel 2. I – 5 Read by Mike Bull

He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

The Gospel Mark 6. I – I3

He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Post Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Vicar Writes ...

I've heard many sermons on the importance and power of faith, and also of being prepared, equipped for mission and the Christian life.

So it is refreshing to hear today of the power of doubt - preventing Jesus performing great miracles, and also to hear about being unprepared - the Twelve are "deequipped" before being sent out.



Perhaps this is meant to make us think about what we really need in life, and whether it is our faith or our doubt that has most power over us.

The Week Ahead

Morning Prayer: Tuesday to Friday

9:00am

Wednesday 7th July 2021

9:00pm

A Service of Compline

Welcome to our weekly online service of Compline, which this week is led by Sheila Roberts. To be able to join us please ensure you have downloaded Zoom to your computer, mobile phone or tablet and click on the link below:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81865255640?pwd=a2pkSll1T3hoVFk5dlV0UkthdTg2QT09

Meeting ID: 818 6525 5640

Passcode: Pi|jA9

A copy of the Order of Service can be downloaded from the church's website at: http://www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk/resources/Order%20of%20Service%20- %20Online%20Compline.pdf

You can join in the responses, but just make sure you've muted your microphone. There will also be some parts sung by a small group from the choir and the words of the service will also be shown on screen.

ONLINE HOUSE GROUPS After a short break, our online house groups restart this week, where they'll be discussing the hymn 'Immortal Love, Forever Full'. The sessions will take place on Monday 5th July at 2:30pm, led by Val Bailey and you can join this meeting using the Zoom details below:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4049355092?pwd=ZU5aZ2JaTW1BK0V3aHZUTlp4bGVGUT09

Meeting ID: 404 935 5092 Passcode: 6Hyy6R

The second session, led by Alastair Jackson, takes place on Tuesday 6th July at 7:30pm, led by Alastair Jackson. For more details on how to join, please contact Angela Jagger at: **A.F.Jagger@dunelm.org.uk**.

TEA AT THE VICARAGE Will be taking a break for the next few weeks and will restart on Thursday, 29th July.

BIBLE STUDY Have their last session before the Vicar goes on holiday this coming Thursday, 8th July, at 7:00pm. This week, they'll be looking at Chapter 6, verses 14 – 29. To join us, you just need to click on the following link: https://tinyurl.com/yxz8dv3r.

WORSHIP DURING JULY The Vicar will be away on holiday for the next few weeks, so on Sunday I Ith our morning Eucharist service at 10:30am will be led by Reverend Jane Sharp, with Angela Jagger leading Choral Evensong at 6:30pm. The following Sunday, 18th July, Reverend David Clarke will take Sung Eucharist at 10:30am.

On Sunday 25th July, we celebrate our Patronal Festival, with Sung Eucharist in the morning and Choral Evensong in the evening. As usual all our services will be streamed, technology, permitting on our YouTube channel.

MATT HAYNES' FAREWELL As well as celebrating our Patronal Festival on 25th July, we'll also be bidding Matt a fond farewell as he moves to Yorkshire to start a new teaching role. This Sunday we are launching a leaving collection for Matt, so if you'd like to make a contribution, please see one of the wardens on duty over the next few Sundays.

As part of our Patronal festivities, we hope – Covid restrictions allowing – to be able to put on a social event after Evensong, to allow us to say goodbye to Matt. We'll share more details of this with you all closer to the date.

FELLOW CITIZENS OF HEAVEN It's not too late, if you'd like to purchase a copy of 'Fellow Citizens of Heaven'. A collection of fifty addresses that Derek Hole gave from the from the over 200 funerals Derek has taken, first as our Vicar at St James the Greater and then as Provost of Leicester. The book is published by the Friends of St James the Greater and all the proceeds from sales go to the Friends.

Copies are available to buy online from lulu.com. You'll find more details on the book and how to order your copy on the flyer attached with your copy of the bulletin.

PILGRAMAGE WALK – CROSSING THE CAUSEWAY As society opens up after nearly a year of lockdowns, we're invited to join a pilgrimage walk on the theme of 'Crossing the Causeway'.

The pilgrimage will start from Leicester Cathedral and take you across different causeways in the city, ending at St Nicholas Church. During the walk, short reflections and prayers will be shared. The pilgrimage takes place on Saturday 10th July, between 10:00am and midday.

For more information and to register to take part, please click on the following link: **https://bit.ly/3wLdBPM**. It's free to join the pilgrimage, but there is the option to donate £5 towards the work of the cathedral, if you sign up.

THE KNIGHTON CHAMBER ORCHESTRA led by Paul Jenkins have very generously agreed to put on two concerts for us to help raise funds for the church. These will take place at 4:00pm and 7:00pm on Saturday 31st July, tickets are selling well – especially for the afternoon performance. So, if you'd like come along and be at the first live music event at the church since before the end of 2019 please don't delay. The evening will feature the following music by J.S Bach:

- Brandenburg Concerto No 3
- Violin Concerto in A minor
- Concerto for two violins
- Suite No 4 for Orchestra

Tickets are £10 each and will be available after services at the church from Sunday 13th June onwards. They'll also be available from members of the orchestra. Each performance will last an hour and will be run to current Covid-19 guidelines. Audiences will also be restricted to 50 people at each concert.

YOUR GIVING TO ST JAMES Did you know that in a normal year over 35% of the church's income is made up of regular Direct Debits and Standing Orders from members of the congregation?

If you already give by Direct Debit or Standing Order, thank you! Of course, if you are able to increase the amount you give, that would be very welcome. We do not hold Gift Aid declarations for some people and if this applies to you, we will be in touch to ask if you can fill one in for us.

If you are not already a regular giver, please consider starting a Direct Debit through the Church of England's Parish Giving Scheme. They offer a very friendly service and will help you set everything up over the phone. They make sure that Gift Aid tax relief is claimed (this adds 25p to every £1 that you give), and they pass every penny of your donation straight through to St James the Greater.

You can contact the Parish Giving Scheme on 0333 002 1271 (local call rates apply).

Resources for Home Worship

Broadcast Media

Daily Service	Monday – Friday at 9.45am	Radio 4 LW
Choral Evensong	Wednesday at 3.30pm and Sunday at 3pm	Radio 3
Sunday Worship	Sunday at 8.10am	Radio 4
Sunday Morning Live	Sunday at 10.30am	BBCI
Songs of Praise	Sunday at 1.15pm	BBCI

There is also a service on Radio Leicester at 8:00am on a Sunday morning

Online at www.churchofengland.org and www.leicestercathedral.org

DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. The line – which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind. This is a Freephone number.

Options available include materials also available digitally by the Church of England's Communications team such as Prayer during the Day and Night Prayer updated daily, from Common Worship, and a recording of the Church of England weekly national online service. A section called Hymn Line offers callers a selection of hymns, updated daily. An option entitled 'Hymns We Love', provides an increasing range of hymns and reflections on them. More options have been added are detailed below:

- # Sleep Well four reflections before bedtime.
- 1. Hymns we love one each day with a spoken reflection based on it.
- 2. Hymn line favourite hymns on a repeating loop.
- 3. Daily Reflection for these times read by Pam Rhodes.
- 4. Chair Exercises.
- 5. Access to more options (6-9).
- 6. Weekly service from C of E.
- 7. Morning and Evening Prayer from Common Worship.
- 8. Latest Government advice on Coronavirus.
- 9. Mother's Union Midday Service.

Pressing 0 returns you to the top menu (1 - 5) and * gives access to a message from the Archbishop of Canterbury's introduction. It is helpful to have the telephone on speakerphone to avoid having to hold the handset for a long time.

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